# WATERVILLE VALLEY, NH BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

**DATE:** July 24, 2013

**MEMBERS PRESENT: Margaret Turner, Mike Aronson** 

**MEMBERS ABSENT: Chairman Bill Larsen** 

OTHERS PRESENT: David Olarsch, Paul Johnson, Mark Decoteau, Rachel Gasowski, Chris Hodges, Jim Mayhew, Sharon Charron.

1. The meeting was called to order at 3:00 PM by Margaret Turner.

## 2. Privilege of the Floor I

Carina Park presented 2 Veterans Credits for signature by the BOS from the 1970's which were never signed and found during a recent DRA audit.

# 3. Approval of Minutes

Margaret Turner motions to approve the minutes of 7/10/13 as amended.

Mike Aronson: 2nds.

The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

## 4. Financial Update

The financial update will be emailed to the BOS members for their review. There are no major developments in any department financially that are necessary to discuss at this time.

### 5. Department Head Updates

# Public Works

Jim Mayhew reports that Noon Peak Road improvements are nearing completion and expect to be finished this week. The Water Meter Installation bid packets are out, and the bids are due by August 20th, for a decision at the next BOS meeting on August 21<sup>st</sup>. The WWTP Sand Filter Bid packets are scheduled to go out by end of July with the bid deadline of August 30<sup>th</sup>, with plans to be presented for a decision at the September 11<sup>th</sup> BOS meeting. Mike Aronson questions the hypothetical situation for an additional large capacity hotel and impacts to the WWTP system with the current improvements. Jim Mayhew feels confident that the WWTP it will have the capacity to handle that situation if that were to happen.

### • Recreation Department

Rachel Gasowski reports that the day camp numbers are down as compared to last year. Overall it is quieter in the Valley this summer as compared to last summer. The weekly summer events and programs are going well otherwise. The laser tag events are being well received as a new offered activity. The Ugotta Regatta went well. The Amazing Race is the next event on the summer schedule. Rachel also presents the floating dock proposal which includes the ramp going off of the current existing dock to the old swim platform (which is not currently in use). The old swim platform would be re-decked to

match the new ramp and existing dock. Jim Mayhew recommends that the new ramp itself be secured as well with posts in addition to connecting from the existing dock to the old swim platform.

# Public Safety

Coffee with a Cop program well received. A 2<sup>nd</sup> date is in August mid-month is scheduled to be held at the WV Golf Course. Chris Hodges reports that there have been a number of bicycle accidents on trails off of Snow's Mountain. Mike Aronson questions if there have been any issues with the lodges with regard to the hockey academy and other hockey events. The WV-DPS has not heard of any issues or have had any calls regarding any incident.

### 6. Calendar Review

Next meeting is August 21<sup>st</sup>. There will be only one meeting for August. The next meeting afterwards, will be on September 11<sup>th</sup>.

### 7. New Business

#### Discussion with Conservation Commission

1. Review of Water/Sewer Regulations

David Olarsch proposes to the BOS a town ordinance which would include that any new construction would have to connect to sewer line as a requirement. Discussion follows regarding the current policy which states that if a septic system fails, that home must connect to the town sewer. David also mentions that upon the sale of a property not currently hooked to town septic, would have to be connected. Additional comments included that some new homes with their own septic currently have 20 or more years left with their septic system, and those are unlikely to fail in the near future on their own and during the sale of a home is not a good time to force a homeowner to connect to town septic. Mike Aronson references MA Title 5 Law, which could provide some useful information in making changes to the Water & Sewer Regulations.

# 2. Appointment of New Member

David Olarsch recommends the appointment of Irit Levy as an alternate member.

Margaret Turner motions to appoint Irit Levy as an alternate member position on the Conservation Commission.

Mike Aronson: 2nds.

The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

#### 3. Decommission of Well #1

The Conservation Commission is recommending that well #1 is decommissioned. Well #1, which is rarely used and only pumps 85 gallons/minute. The plan is that when well #4 comes on line, that well #1 will be decommissioned. The CC needs to confer with Joe Ducharme of CMA Engineers.

# • Crosswalk Davos Way/Village Road

David Olarsch proposes that a crosswalk be placed across Valley Road across from Davos Way for children walking to/from school. The request will be considered and discussed further as to what it would involve, ie. granite curbing removal.

# • WVSR Bus Sign Permit Request

A sign permit request was presented. Discussion was held regarding the sign sizes, needs, and locations. The BOS felt that the signs need to conform to the existing signs otherwise it will look like there are 2 different bus services. The BOS felt they needed to discuss with Public Safety for new locations. The need of a larger sign was questioned. Overall it was felt that the signs should all be replaced at the same time, so they are consistent in appearance. The BOS asked Mark and Chris to review these ideas with WVSR for approval with the understanding that these conditions are met. An additional suggestion regarding signage for bathrooms at Town Square was also mentioned.

- Sign PA-16 Reimbursement for State & Federal Forest Lands Form The form is presented and signed by the BOS.
- Review and Sign the PA-28 Notice to NH Dept of Revenue Administration The form is presented and signed by the BOS.

### 8. Old Business

# • TY2012 Abatement Follow-up with Mark Neider

This agenda item is tabled to the next meeting on August 21<sup>st</sup> due to Mike having to recuse himself from the discussion and Bill Larsen is absent from today's meeting.

# 9. Correspondence

# • Plan NH Application for Design Charette

Mark describes what a Design Charette as a series of meetings for town planning purposes. Mark felt that Waterville Valley could benefit from this especially in the areas of parking, sidewalks and trail systems.

### • Grafton County Report

This is available for viewing at any time in Sharon's office.

• Ray Burton, Grafton County Commissioner, is making a courtesy call to WV at the August 21<sup>st</sup> Selectman's meeting.

# 10. Privilege of the Floor II

Paul Johnson of White Mountain Geodesy introduces himself and his company and discusses the different types of maps he creates and the potential uses for a municipality and recreation. The maps are viewable through Goggle Earth and can take information which is not easily viewable and assessable, and make them much easier to use. As an example, he can create a map of the bus stops, and by clicking a bus stop location on the map it can bring up the schedule times and frequency. The diversity of maps he can create ranges from watersheds, trails, zoning, building/site plans proposals, etc. The BOS suggested that a proposal be submitted outlining the

costs of the product and services. It was also suggested that Paul contact the WVRA, WVAIA and the ski resort to present the products to them.

### 11. Board Concerns & Directive

The BOS asked about the status of the solar light at the end of Moose Run. It has not yet been ordered.

# 12. Non-Public Session

The two BOS members, Mark Decoteau and Sharon Charron go into a non-public session at 4:15pm.

Out of non-public at 4:29pm.

Mike Aronson motions to adjourn the meeting. Margaret Turner: 2nds. The meeting was adjourned on a unanimous voice vote at 4:30pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Sharon Charron Town of Waterville Valley