

Minutes of Meeting CONWAY BOARD OF SELECTMEN

March 18, 2008

The Selectmen's Meeting convened at 4:05 p.m. in the Meeting Room of Conway Town Hall with the following present: Selectmen C. David Weathers (Chair), Gary Webster, Mark Hounsell and Howard C. Dickinson; Town Manager, Earl W. Sires; and Recording Secretary, Karen Hallowell

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Weathers led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

SIGNING OF DOCUMENTS

The Board reviewed and signed various documents contained in the signature folder.

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

The Board reviewed and signed the manifest dated March 20, 2008.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Hounsell moved, seconded by Mr. Webster, to approve the minutes of February 5, 2008 as written. The motion carried unanimously.

RECOGNITION OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BOYS & GIRLS BASKETBALL RECREATION PROGRAM FOR TOWN OF CONWAY

Recreation Director, John Eastman, joined the meeting, along with many members of both the girls and boys travel basketball teams.

Mr. Eastman advised the girls basketball team finished second to Madison. Mr. Eastman introduced the team members and coaches to the Board. Mr. Eastman commented the team did a great job. The Board congratulated the team for a great season.

Mr. Eastman next advised the boys travel team was led by Coach Lloyd and won against Wakefield in their final game. Mr. Eastman reviewed the schedule of games played by the team. Mr. Eastman introduced the team members present to the Board. Team Coach Jack Lloyd joined the meeting at 4:10 p.m. and spoke about the team's season. The Board congratulated the team for a great season.

Mr. Weathers next commented on Mike Lane being picked a coach of the year for the Division 3 Hockey team and congratulated him for same.

\$2074.39 GRANT FROM POLICE STANDARDS AND TRAINING/STATE OF NH TO THE TOWN OF CONWAY POLICE DEPARTMENT

Lieutenant Chris Perley of the Conway Police Department joined the meeting. Lieutenant Perley explained that Chief Wagner has sent Detective Broyer to forensic

boot camp for extensive training. Detective Broyer will be one of 600 in the country certified in computer forensics. The Police have received a grant of \$2,074.39 from Police Standards and Training.

Selectmen, Larry Martin, joined the meeting at this time at 4:15 p.m.

Mr. Webster moved, seconded by Mr. Hounsell, that we accept the grant from Police Standards and Training/State of New Hampshire to the Police in the amount of \$2,074.39. The motion carried 5-0-0.

DISCUSSION OF PROPOSED ADDITIONAL ENGRAVED
PAVERS IN NORTH CONWAY VILLAGE

Cindy Briggs and Peter Edwards representing the North Conway Village Association (NCVA), joined the meeting.

Mr. Sires advised that he was contracted by Doug Holmes of the NCVA who advised they are ready for another batch of pavers with engraving to be placed in North Conway.

Ms. Briggs advised that about thirty people have contacted the NCVA and they have 300 bricks to be sold. They would like to know if they can put the 30 they have sold in.

Mr. Sires advised that there has been discussion with the Public Works Director regarding this but until this matter was brought before this Board no decisions had been made.

Mr. Weathers questioned if the people interested in bricks have been given a choice as to where their bricks will be placed. Ms. Briggs advised that at first yes they were but now no commitment has been given as to where or even if they could get one. Mr. Hounsell questioned how many of the 30 bricks are businesses. Ms. Briggs stated it is hard to tell and further added that there is one that is specifically a business. Mr. Hounsell questioned who will get the money for the bricks. Ms. Briggs advised the Mount Washington Valley Preservation Association (MWVPA) gets the money. Mr. Hounsell questioned how much was raised with the last go around. Mr. Edwards advised \$10,000 was raised. Mr. Weathers questioned what enhancements will be made with the funds that are expected from future brick sales. Mr. Edwards stated this is all a part of a big pot to make enhancements and there is nothing specific yet until they know how much money they have.

Mr. Webster moved, seconded by Mr. Dickinson, that we allow the Mount Washington Valley Preservation Association to reopen the sale of brick pavers in North Conway Village subject to the provisions set by the town and Public Works Engineer. Mr. Hounsell stated that he still has questions about the last go around money and requested postponement of action until next week until he can get answers or he won't support this at this time. Mr. Hounsell reviewed that the Selectmen had previously asked for an accounting at one meeting and at the next meeting Ms. Briggs advised they didn't have to provide same. Ms. Briggs stated she went back to the committee and they felt didn't have to submit same. Mr. Hounsell stated that without seeing the books and seeing what was spent he can't support and he doesn't feel this is an unreasonable request. Mr. Martin agreed with Mr. Hounsell about being able to explain to the people of the town about the money. There was further discussion by the

Board. **Mr. Dickinson moved, seconded by Mr. Webster, to table the motion until such time as the information is supplied. The motion carried unanimously.**

PEG TELEVISION

Conway School District Proposal – Mr. Hounsell advised he was asked by Neil Moylan Director of Mount Washington Career and Technical Center to present this to matter to the Board of Selectmen. Mr. Hounsell explained this is for a peg expendable fund trust grant request. Mr. Hounsell next reviewed the memo from Neil Moylan outlining what the grant would be use for. Mr. Hounsell advised he is in support of the idea.

Mr. Webster pointed out there should be an understanding in the MOA that both entities are applying. Valley Vision indicated today that they are willing to work with them and look at this as a win/win for both entities. We also need something so everyone knows what the ground rules are –something indicating a cooperative effort.

Mr. Sires next reviewed the figures left in the PEG account. Mr. Hounsell indicated the School Board will next have to accept the grant and wanted to clarify this fact. Mr. Hounsell also stated that he agrees with Mr. Webster regarding adding a paragraph that clarifies things for all entities.

Mr. Martin moved, seconded by Mr. Hounsell, that we give a grant of \$5,000 to Mount Washington Career and Technical Center from the PEG Expendable Trust to enhance communication and technology. The motion carried 5-0-0.

Franchise Agreement – **Mr. Martin moved, seconded by Mr. Hounsell, that we allow the expenditure of up to \$25,000 from the PEG Expendable Trust for the negotiation of the Franchise Agreement. The motion carried 5-0-0.**

Valley Vision MOU – Mr. Sires advised that a revised draft will be brought to the Board for review next week.

PUBLIC COMMENTS / MEDIA QUESTIONS

Janine McLaughlin introduced herself as a candidate for Conway School Board. Ms. McLaughlin stated she has questions on the program the Board just voted on - is it a hobby program or would they get a degree. The Board advised Ms. McLaughlin this is a question for the School.

OLYMPIC LANE

Public Works Director, Paul DegliAngeli, joined the meeting.

Mr. Sires advised that the town is at a point where we may be ready to reestablish the road however staff has some questions. An abutter has also asked some questions as well. Mr. Sires advised that we need to know the boundaries and what we are reestablishing.

Mr. DegliAngeli reviewed Olympic Lane has a varied history. Mr. DegliAngeli advised the abutter has come in and has asked about maintenance, the plan, etc. for the road. Mr. DegliAngeli next pointed out that Olympic Lane is a dead end street and for

plowing purposes we will need to have to have a turnaround at the end of the street. We will need to make a provision for this when establishing this road.

Mr. Webster commented that a plan needs to be put forward that is safe and consistent with the rest of the areas of town. Mr. DegliAngeli agreed. Mr. DegliAngeli advised that he can make recommendations for a plan, but these make not be acceptable to the abutter too. Mr. DegliAngeli further added that we will also need to know if we plan on curbs and sidewalks, etc.

There was discussion by the Board. The Board agreed that staff should come back with a draft plan for to town standards with curbing, parking, etc., for review. **Mr. Hounsell moved, seconded by Mr. Martin, that we direct town staff to develop a concept drawing using minimum town standards in accordance with the engineer's knowledge of road design for review by the Board of Selectmen. The motion carried 5-0-0.**

TOWN MANAGER REPORT

PEG – Mr. Sire advised that with regard to PEG negotiations, the town will be putting out an RFQ.

Emergency Management – Mr. Sires reported that with regard to Pandemic Flu Planning/All Heath Hazard Planning the Town has submitted an application for \$10,000 and are putting together another application for \$20,000. Mr. Sires further reported a meeting of the Regional Coordinating Committee was held last Thursday and there will be some exercises planned and this plan will be done by late June. Phase three of the plan will start late June and acute care will be planned.

BOARD REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Mr. Martin apologized for being late to the meeting today and for missing the recognition of the girls and boys basketball teams. Mr. Martin expressed congratulations to the girls and boys basketball teams.

Mr. Hounsell commented that he would like to thank Janine McLaughlin for coming in today and introducing herself and putting her name in as a candidate for school board.

ADJOURN

At 5:22 pm, **Mr. Martin moved, seconded by Mr. Webster, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted,

Karen J. Hallowell
Executive Secretary