

**TOWN OF HYDE PARK
SELECTBOARD MEETING
August 13, 2009**

Present: Scott Griswold, Russell Lanphear, Allen Cusson and James Heath

Absent: Duncan Nash

Others Present: Kim Moulton, Dawn Slayton, Julia Compagna

Scott Griswold called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

- 1) Dog control Ordinance

Allen Cusson moved and Russell Lanphear seconded a motion to adopt the Dog control Ordinance as amended. Voted unanimously in favor.

- 2) Private Road Names

Allen Cusson moved and James Heath seconded a motion to approve private road names of Green Park Lane and Old Farm Lane. Voted unanimously in favor.

- 3) Municipal Line of Credit

The rate comparison sheet was discussed among the members.

Allen Cusson moved and Russell Lanphear seconded a motion to accept Merchants Bank Municipal Line of Credit rate offer. Russell Lanphear and Allen Cusson voted “yes” to the motion. Scott Griswold and James Heath voted “no” to the motion. Motion failed.

James Heath moved and Scott Griswold seconded a motion to maintain the Municipal Line of Credit with Union Bank. Russell Lanphear and Allen Cusson voted “no” to the motion. Scott Griswold and James Heath voted “yes” to the motion. Motion failed.

The Selectboard Members agreed to discuss the Municipal Line of Credit at the next Selectboard meeting.

- 4) Agriculture Lease

Changes made to the lease include the term of five (5) years commencing January 1, 2010 and ending December 31, 2015 and that the Lessee, when possible, coordinate with the town Recreation Committee regarding ag activities and activities held at the fields facility.

James Heath moved and Allen Cusson seconded a motion to accept the Agriculture Lease as amended.

There was discussion regarding the wording in Section 3, Rent.

Russell Lanphear moved and Allen Cusson seconded a motion to amend Section 3, Rent from one or more dollars annually to \$100 annually for five (5) years. Voted unanimously in favor.

Motion to accept the Agriculture Lease as amended with new term of five (5) years commencing January 1, 2010 and ending December 31, 2015 and that the Lessee, when possible, coordinate with the town Recreation Committee regarding ag activities and activities held at the fields facility. Voted unanimously in favor.

5) Road Review

Paving is done, ditching is down going toward Cleveland Corners and also Center Road. Line striping was addressed. There was a consensus that it should be done for safety purposes. We have a quote from Frank's Line Striping for \$1,200. A quote will also be obtained from L&D.

Applicants are getting building permits and they also need driveway permits. Ken Alexander will be asked to prepare a list of curb cuttings.

6) Town Building Use Policy

Current use of building is for civic and/or non-profit activities. We need more information from the event organizer as to whether event participants are Hyde Park residents, how many participants, hours of event and date of event. Julia Compagna will check with VLCT regarding a Building Use Policy and will check on liability insurance.

7) Proposed Interior Building Renovations

Goal of renovations is to keep Town and Village offices together for convenience of community and to better utilize existing office space. Allen Cusson presented the proposed building specifications. The proposed renovations will result in handicapped accessible bathroom upstairs, new energy efficient lights, new phone system with more capabilities, taking out the glass wall between the lobby and the offices, customer service desk/counters and all town office employees working on same level. The village offices will lose approximately 20 sqft. There have been no renovations on the building since it was built in 1974. If interior renovations are made, there is a grant that will allow for exterior renovations. Allen Cusson proposes that the Town and Village will each pay for one half of the renovations. The cost to the Village will be addressed at the next Trustees' meeting. Allen Cusson proposes that CIG money be used to fund the project. A copy of the proposed interior building renovation plan can be viewed at the Town Clerk's office.

James Heath moved and Russell Lanphear seconded a motion to move forward with the Proposed Interior Building Renovations providing that the Village pays for one half of the cost of the project and the cost to the Town not to exceed \$22,500, of which will come from the CIG Funds.

Changes to the plans would be that the wall between the Village and the Town will not have windows. Enclose the stairwell to the basement and add a door to the stairwell. The upstairs back door should have glass in it.

Voted unanimously in favor.

8) Basement Door

The HAVA grant to replace the basement door is \$1,659 including materials and labor. Allen Cusson's quote from Poulin's Lumber was \$800 for a steel door and not a glass door. A call to Parker & Stearns was not returned. Allen to get a quote for steel door with glass with exact measurements. Scott Griswold obtained a quote from Allen Lumber for a steel door with glass, a panic bar, primed only for \$1719.61. The price does not include the mechanic keypunch.

James Heath moved and Russell Lanphear seconded a motion to replace basement door not to exceed total cost of \$1,659 using the HAVA grant that will be no cost to taxpayers. Voted unanimously in favor.

9) Marshall & Swift cost Tables

James Heath moved and Allen Cusson seconded a motion to allow Scott Griswold to sign the contact on behalf of the Selectboard. Voted unanimously in favor.

10) Firework Permit

There is currently no ordinance in place to back up fireworks permit. The fireworks permit was created for reference purposes. Regulations for firework permits need to be researched and ask VLCT if other Towns have a fireworks ordinance.

11) Minutes of July 9 and July 23

Allen Cusson moved and James Heath seconded a motion to accept the minutes of July 9 and July 23. Voted unanimously in favor.

12) Town Administrator Report

FEMA Grant money was received December 23, 2008 in the amount of \$86,363.61. FEMA will pay additional \$1,924.26 upon completion of project.

Scott Griswold noted that the Selectboard will be pushed on the support of the conservation of Zakwoods Pond. Planning Commission recently supported it.

13) Financial Reports

Glenna Pound is currently finishing up the audit for fiscal year ending June 30, 2008. We should have that back from her within a couple of weeks. She has not started on the full audit for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009.

There were questions regarding the Fire Department budget. The Selectboard would like to know how often the firefighters are paid and when. Fire Department showed a surplus for fiscal year ending June 30, 2009 then paychecks were issued July 2009 for January through June 2009. The Selectboard thinks there should be liability carryover to offset the surplus.

14) Selectboard Orders

Allen Cusson moved and James Heath seconded a motion to approve the Selectboard Orders. Voted unanimously in favor.

15) Other Business

LPPC wants written notice of who the representative is. Send a copy of the minutes showing Richard Bailey is the representative to LCPC.

Historic Society will be asking for \$500 at next Town Meeting.

Recreation Committee News: Julia Compagna noted that the Tammy Brigham Memorial Whiffle Ball Tournament brought in \$1,263.

It has been noted that there is a bathroom facilities problem at the elementary school on nights, weekends and during school recess. This is not a Selectboard issue to solve. This is an issue to be resolved by the school.

The next Selectboard Meeting is August 27, 2009 at 6:00pm and another on September 10, 2009 at 6:00pm.

Correction on Public Hearing Date: Public Meeting for taking over VFW Drive will be on September 17, 2009 with a site visit at 5:45pm and the Public Meeting at 6:00pm. (8/13/09 Agenda stated incorrect meeting date of September 19, 2009)

James Heath moved to adjourn the Selectboard Meeting at 8:25pm. Voted unanimously in favor.