

SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 21, 2011

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The meeting opened at 7:08 P.M., with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ATTENDEES: Chairman Holland, Selectman Stymest, Geoff Jones, George Preston, Harry Power, Chief Lamothe and Patricia Putnam.

SCHEDULED APPOINTMENTS

Geoff Jones, Conservation Commission Chairman

Mr. Jones explained that the Sweetwater Trust also planned on donating \$50,000 toward a stewardship fund intended for maintenance of the earthen dam. He went on to state that the Town should put up at least \$10,000 for a match, but an equal match was preferable. He suggested an article for the Town to raise \$50,000. George Preston stated that there were three things to consider. Land acceptance, setting up the fund and finally funding the fund. Harry Power stated that he had been involved in sales in the area and was concerned about any right of way problems against the Sweetwater Trust. Mr. Power then asked about the type of deed the Town will receive and Mr. Jones stated that it would be a warranty deed. Mr. Jones also stated that all boundary issues with abutters have been settled. During the discussion, Mr. Jones explained that the existing conservation easement is presently held by the Forest Society. He also suggested that Mr. Power could amend a \$10,000 article to \$50,000.

P.J. Lamothe, Fire Chief

Chief Lamothe went over the proposed 2011/12 Fire Department budget. Chief Lamothe suggested that we not do physicals this year but moved forward with Hepatitis B vaccinations. There ensued a discussion on the condition and future of the Fire Station. The Fire Department's proposed budget was placed into the Selectmen's Budget Books. It was agreed that George Preston would look into obtaining a grant for a public safety complex design suitable for Stoddard.

Harry Power, Compliance Officer

Mr. Power explained the State's change from a 15KW diesel to a 25KW Propane generator for the Pitcher Mountain fire tower. Material delivery will be by helicopter. Mr. Power stated that he had contacted Attorney Fernald and there is no need

for Planning Board or ZBA involvement.

Mr. Power concluded by stating that Mr. Mike's was planning on a 1,033 square foot addition instead of the 579 square foot one previously approved. He will be checking with the ZBA.

At 9:00 P.M., Selectman Stymest moved to adjourn, seconded by Chairman Holland. The motion was approved 3-0.

Respectfully submitted

James Coffey, Administrator

Approved

Sandra L. Holland, Chairman

Board of Selectmen

Arnold Stymest

John D. Halter