

A regular meeting of the Hardwick Select Board was held on Thursday, June 1, 2006 at 6:00 P.M. in the 3rd floor meeting room of the Hardwick Memorial Building.

Members Present:
M. Tod Delaricheliere
Patricia Coultas
Brad Ferland
William "Bill" Richardson
Marcus Brown

Others Present:
Lynda Brochu, Dan Hill
Nathan Menuer, Robin Grant
Mike Miller
James Teuscher, Karen Shaw
John and Maureen Rowell

6:00 P.M. M. Tod Delaricheliere called the meeting to order.

6:01 P.M. Patti moved to approve the minutes for the Regular Meeting of May 18, 2006.

Brad seconded
Motion passed unanimously

Approval of Agenda: Lynda Brochu added two items: an update of a sewer line break and an email from our Town Attorney, Bill Davies, in regards to the newly updated animal control ordinance. Brad added for an update on the Woodbury/Hardwick trail and an Executive Session to discuss personnel prior to item #5 – Contracts for FY '07.

6:02 P.M. Bill moved to approve the agenda as amended

Patti seconded
Motion passed unanimously

Communications from Audience: None

Manager's Report:

Public Art Requests

James Teuscher was present and showed the Board four pictures of artwork proposed to be displayed on Town property; including the Library lawn, Town House lawn and farmer's market lawn. The proposed location on the farmer's market was to place a statue on top of the well head cover located on the lawn. The Board asked Lynda to get an answer from the public works department on whether that well head was "live" or not.

6:07 P.M. Patti moved to approve the art work as presented by James Teuscher with the condition that if the well head on the farmer's market was a "live" well then the artwork there, be placed elsewhere.

Brad seconded

Lynda gave James a copy of the policy and the waiver and told James that all artists had to have signed agreements back into the Town Manager's office before

placing any pieces on town land.

Motion passed unanimously

Conflict of Interest Policy Discussion

The Board agreed to leave in place the existing Conflict of Interest Policy.

Because Mike Miller had not arrived for the Development Review Board discussion, Lynda told the Board that so far the Town Manager’s office had received no letters of interest for the vacant planning commission positions and two for the three vacant Hardwick Electric Department Board positions.

Pavement Reclamation

The Board reviewed the bid results for the pavement reclamation portion of the paving bid. They are as follows: United Paving Co. - \$2.80 per sq. yd., Pike Industries - \$0.81 per sq. yd., Gorman Bros. - \$0.78 per sq yd.

6:11 P.M. Patti moved to award the reclamation bid to Gorman Bros. for \$0.78 per sq. yd.

Brad seconded

Motion passed unanimously

Paving Bids:

The Board discussed the two different paving options; one using a hot mix of asphalt only and one using a cold mix base with a hot mix overlay. The bid results were as follows:

Option One (hot mix only)

United Paving Co.	\$57.90 per ton
Pike Industries	\$59.69 per ton
Bigelow Paving	\$57.70 per ton

The total estimated cost for using strictly hot mix would be \$135,595 based on Bigelow’s bid.

Option Two (cold mix base with a hot mix overlay)

Pike Industries	Cold Mix	\$48.00 per ton
	Hot Mix	\$64.69 per ton

Pike estimates a total of 1,420 tons of cold mix and 850 tons of hot mix. Based on these estimates their total cost of this option would be \$123,146.00

Gorman Bros.	Cold Mix	\$50.17 per ton
	Hot Mix	\$61.50 per ton

Gorman Bros. estimates a total of 1,210 tons of cold mix and 842 tons of hot mix. Based on the above estimates their total cost is \$112,548.00

The Board asked questions and discussed the company's experience with cold mix/hot mix paving, the costs, longevity of the pavement, the roads being paved, sub contracting the hot mix portion and the tons of cold mix needed. Lynda told the Board that Dan Hill and she had spoken with Hank Lambert and Steve Jerome from Vermont Local Roads and they felt the cold mix/hot mix option was a viable option, as long as the cold mix was allowed to set for at least two weeks before the hot mix overlay was laid down. Vermont Local Roads saw no issue.

6:20 P.M. Patti moved to award the bid for paving to Gorman Brothers in the amount of \$112,548.00.

Bill seconded

Marcus told the Board that he did not support paving Ward Hill and other people had contacted him with the same opinion. The Board discussed Ward Hill.

Motion passed unanimously

Development Review Board Discussion

Mike Miller was present to answer questions in regards to changing the Zoning Board of Adjustment to a Development Review Board. Brad told Mike that he had contacted other Zoning Board members and that they agreed with Mike that this would be a good thing. Brad said he was OK with making this change. The other Board members agreed. Lynda told the Board that this change would be placed on either the next agenda or on the agenda for the first of July for public testimony.

6:25 P.M. Bill moved to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel.

Brad seconded

Motion passed unanimously

7:01 P.M. Select Board meeting back in session

7:01 P.M. Bill moved to accept Dan Hill's Town Manager contract as written with the exception of the severance clause.

Brad seconded

Motion passed unanimously

Lynda updated the Board on a sewer line break on Daniels Road and on the

Woodbury/Hardwick trail. The Town Manager's office had received a letter from Mr. Patten's attorney and until further investigations are completed, by Peggy Bowen of the Trail's committee, we will not be moving forward.

Select Board Reports:

New Business:

Old Business: Bill asked Brad and Marcus for an update on their subcommittee formed to research the Greensboro Police contract. Brad answered that they hadn't met yet. Bill asked Lynda whether another Manager had been scheduled to come to a Select Board meeting. Lynda answered that Town Clerk/Treasurer Alberta Miller was attending our next meeting to bring the Board up to date on what new things were happening in her office. Marcus asked Lynda how the police survey was coming. She answered that most of it was complete, but she still needed to contact town's the size of Hardwick who did not have police coverage. Dan arrived and updated the Board again on the Woodbury/Hardwick trail.

7:11 P.M. Patti moved to adjourn the meeting.

Bill seconded
Motion passed unanimously

Minutes approved by:

M. Tod Delaricheliere, Chair

Minutes taken by: Lynda N. Brochu