

A regular meeting of the Hardwick Select Board was held on Thursday, November 2, 2006 at 6:00 P.M. in the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor meeting room of the Hardwick Memorial Building.

Members Present:  
M. Tod Delaricheliere  
Marcus Brown  
Bill Richardson  
Patti Coultas  
Brad Ferland

Others Present:  
Lynda Brochu, Dan Hill,  
Roger LeCours, Robin Grant,  
Alberta Miller, Andrew Meyer,  
Tom Fadden, Hannah Moulton,  
Dominic Etli

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

6:00 P.M. Brad Ferland moved to approve the minutes for the Regular Meeting of October 19, 2006.

Marcus Brown seconded  
Motion passed unanimously

Approval of Agenda: Dan Hill added the following items to the agenda: a Hardwick Electric Department report was handed out, water surveys are out, Alberta Miller would like an action item added – one additional error and omission, the Police Dept. cracked a burglary ring, the Police dept. has been working with Hazen Union to establish lock down procedures and Chief Dziboek had decided to drop the chaplain/clergy portion of the PEACE program. Marcus added two executive sessions to discuss personnel.

6:04 P.M. Patti Coultas moved to approve the agenda as amended

Brad seconded  
Motion passed unanimously

Communications from Audience: Andrew Meyer's was present to ask the Board to review and consider signing a letter of support for the Center For Biobased Economy to apply for VCDP grant funding in order to purchase a parcel of land in town, the Atkins property on Granite Street, and develop an "intervail" type business project. Andrew explained that he is on the agenda for the next Select Board meeting, but wanted to give the Board time to consider this project and review the letter of support. The Board discussed.

#### Managers Report

Dan advised the Board that Mr. Wells had withdrawn his request for the Town to help pay for the costs of a proposed water line.

#### Budget Discussions

Tom Fadden was present to review the highway and fire budgets. Dan reviewed

the Highway budget with the Board. Tom and Dan answered questions concerning health care, Better Back Roads grants, mowing plans for next year, biodiesel, summer gravel and chloride. The Board, Dan and Tom also discussed applying crusher run gravel on the back roads this winter instead of sand. Dan and Tom then reviewed the Fire Department budget. Patti told Tom that she appreciates the work that the Road Crew does. Tom discussed recruiting new fireman. Patti offered to approach the new Tech Center and ask if they have considered offering courses for students interested in the fire fighting field.

Dan, Lynda Brochu and Alberta then discussed the proposed Office Budget with the Board. They discussed election expense, computer services, tax bills, the Zoning/Planning Board and new shelves for the Town Clerk vault. Dan then reviewed the Memorial Building budget. The Board discussed the budget process and worker's comp.

Alberta Miller explained the proposed error and omissions, which she was presenting to the Board.

7:20 P.M. Patti moved to accept the error and omission as presented.

Brad seconded

Patti asked if the acres being taken off this person's listers card would be billed to someone else. Alberta answered, no; this was a double billing for the same acreage.

Motion passed unanimously

Alberta told the Board that Friday, November 10<sup>th</sup> her office would be open until 5 P.M. for the 3% tax discount deadline.

#### Town Report Dedication

The Board discussed who they would dedicate the Town Report to this year and decided to give a dual dedication to Lew Shattuck and Richard Brochu.

#### Letter from Woodbury Select Board

Dan reminded the Board that enclosed in their packets was a letter from the Woodbury Select Board requesting that the Town send them notice of any agenda that includes discussions about the Nichols Pond dam and to also send them copies of any minute where that subject is discussed. Dan said that he will make sure they are notified if that happens.

#### Police Report

Dan handed the Board an updated cover sheet for the September police report.

#### Welcome To Hardwick Signs

Dan advised the Board that 3 new Welcome to Hardwick signs have been installed: one by the Greensboro Garage, one by the Village Hotel and one by the pump stations, near the KC Hall.

#### Sewer Update

Dan told the Board that he would have a more complete update at the next Select Board meeting.

#### Select Board Reports:

New Business: Patti asked Dan to look into additional lighting around the Town House. Bill asked Dan to speak with the Police Department concerning informing the Electric Dept when there are streetlights out.

#### Old Business:

7:00 P.M. Patti moved to go into Executive Session to discuss Personnel to include Dan Hill.

Marcus seconded  
Motion passed unanimously

7:50 P.M. Open Session – no action taken.

7:51 P.M. Marcus moved to go into Executive Session to discuss Personnel to include Dan Hill.

Patti seconded  
Motion passed unanimously

8:07 P.M. Open Session – no action taken.

8:08 P.M. Bill moved to adjourn the meeting.

Patti seconded  
Motion passed unanimously

Minutes approved by:

M. Tod Delaricheliere, Chair

Minutes taken by: Lynda N. Brochu