

Town of Paxton Board of Selectmen

Regular Meeting Minutes

Monday, November 3, 2008

Members Present: Frederick Goodrich, Chair, Michael T. Quinlivan, Vice Chair
John F. Malone, Clerk
Charles Blanchard, Town Administrator
Attendees: See attendee list

Meeting Minutes

- **Motion (MQ) seconded (JM) to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of October 20, 2008. Unanimous, all in Favor.**
- **Motion (MQ) seconded (JM) to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of October 27, 2008. Unanimous, all in Favor.**

Insurance Advisory Committee

- Eva Ryan provided the BOS with information following the Insurance Advisory Committee meeting with Lively Insurance.
- Harvard Pilgrim provided 2009 renewal rates, which showed an increase of 2.53%. Eva Ryan reported that they had received positive feedback from employees to continue with the present policy.
- Lively Insurance agreed to continue for the next two years to pay the \$250 inpatient and outpatient deductible for the first ten claims. Only one claim received this year.
- **Motion (FG) seconded (JM) for the Town to pay the second ten claims if received for inpatient and outpatient \$250.00 deductible on the Havard Pilgrim policy. Unanimous all in Favor.**
- (CB) stated that Lively Insurance also provided a comparison with the state GIC Plan and found this plan to have higher co pays and premiums.

AMC – Master Plan

- Jack Calereso, President of AMC presented the BOS with an overview of the intended expansion of AMC under the Trustees Vision 2012 Plan, a master plan that was developed from the strategic plan.

- Driving force is to increase enrolment from 1200 full-time students to 1600 full-time students.
- New housing has been added, would like to expand more, water pressure is a problem on campus. The plan is to build a new admissions building and increase the number of labs on campus.
- The new turf field should be completed this year.
- The goal is to complete the expansion in the next 10-12 years but 20 years may be more realistic.

Executive Session

- (FG) announced that the BOS would be going into Executive Session at the end of the Regular Meeting to discuss Personnel issues and would only return to the Regular Meeting for the purpose of adjourning.

Public Safety Complex

- Framing up.
- Apparatus Room floor being poured this week.
- Closing in the roof before winter.
- Moving along on schedule, colors chosen.

First Congregational Church One-Day Liquor License Request

- Motion (JM) seconded (MQ) to allow a one-day liquor license under C138, s14 of the Liquor Control Act to sell wine only on November 15, 2008. Unanimous.

Country Bank One-Day Liquor License Request

- Motion (FG) seconded (MQ) to allow a one-day liquor license under C138, s14 of the Liquor Control Act to sell wine and beer only on November 18, 2008. Unanimous.

Town Administrators Update

Department Managers Meeting

- Meeting was held October 23, 2008. (FG) asked whether (CB) had informed managers that we may not be able to go forward on capital budget items. (CB) confirmed that he had informed managers of this.

Gasoline Bid

- One bid received with a permanent discount of \$0.05 per gallon off the listed pump price for diesel and gas.
- **Motion (JM) seconded (MQ) to accept the gasoline and diesel fuel bid for FY09 from Bills Garage of Rutland. Unanimous all in Favor.**

Asphalt Bid

- The escalation clause in the FY09 asphalt bid caused a 47% increase in the price in September, which added \$23,591.52 to the cost of what was purchased.

Capital Improvement Committee

- The Capital Improvement Committee has issued their request for capital items to be returned by November 13th.

Notice of Response Action Outcome

- Notice of Response Action Outcome to the Mass DEP for a release of oil at Paxton Garage, which requests the closure of the response action at this location. No action is needed by the BOS.

Correspondence

- Letters sent by (FG) to land owners adjacent to the Shanandoah property owned by the Town, requesting Right of Ways.
- Invitation to Veterans Day Ceremony at Paxton Center School.

Public Session

- Robert Pelczarski, WRSD Committee Member provided an update of the energy savings by the WRSD. Stated that there was a savings of \$1 million.
- (JM) requested that he be provided with details of which line item this savings would be reflected.
- (CB) stated that it was more of a cost avoidance and asked to see a breakdown of the \$110,000 savings at Paxton Center School.

Roll call (JM), (FG) and (MQ) to go into Executive Session at 7:55pm under MGL C39, S23B to discuss the reputation, character, physical condition or mental health rather than the professional competence of an individual. (FG) confirmed that the meeting would only return to Regular Session for the purpose of adjourning. Unanimous all in favor.

Motion (JM) seconded (FG) to adjourn Regular Meeting at 8:45pm Unanimous all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol L. Riches,
Administrative Assistant