

**SELECTMEN'S MEETING
TUESDAY, May 18, 2010
UPSTAIRS MEETING ROOM
AGENDA**

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Meeting was opened at 7:00 PM in the Upstairs Meeting Room. Present were Selectpersons Patricia Allen, Mark Fairbrother, Chris Boutwell; Town Administrator, Frank Abbondanzio; Administrative Secretary, Wendy Bogusz; Bill Drake, Montague Reporter; Arn Albertini, Greenfield Recorder; Jeff Tirrell, WHAI

Allen and Fairbrother welcomes Chris Boutwell to the Board of Selectmen

Minutes of May 5, 2010 and May 10, 2010 not available

Reorganization of Board of Selectmen

Fairbrother moves to nominate Patricia Allen as Chair of the Board of Selectmen. Seconded by Boutwell, approved unanimously. Fairbrother – Aye, Boutwell – Aye, Allen - Aye

**Bob Trombley, WPCF Superintendent and Paul Gilbert, CDM
CSO Update – Fournier Press & Garage Extension**

Trombley: Here to discuss the continuation of the combined sewer overflow project. The addition/upgrade of the sludge handling system at the plant. We thought it would be a good idea to move forward since the STAG grant was available. We have written approval from the Department of Environmental Protection, USDA has been satisfied by the Town's attorney about the sole source procurement issue for the Fournier rotary press. We now have a revised probable cost and there were some concerns along the way that we didn't have enough money even with the STAG grant. We've gone back and reviewed the entire original conceptual design and have revised that while maintaining the quality and goals of the project.

Gilbert: (Goes over summary of Rotary Press Estimates) We knew \$1.4 wouldn't work so we put our heads together and worked with the Fornier people who manufacture the machine and fortunately the machine can be purchased in various sizes, which is unusual for a piece of equipment like this. Based on our research, we were able to make an adjustment on the selection of the machine, we were able to shorten the garage a little bit and made other adjustments. We were able to trim the project by \$300,000, brining it to a revised cost of approximately \$1.1 million. We are requesting your approval tonight to move along to the next phase, which would be bidding. If bids come in under budget we can come back in for approval to purchase 1 or 2 more channels.

Fairbrother makes the motion to authorize bidding of the CSO contract #3 for the Fournier press and garage extension. Seconded by Boutwell, approved unanimously. Fairbrother – Aye, Boutwell – Aye, Allen – Aye.

Discussion about how the Fournier Press will benefit the WPCF

Gilbert: Would like to go to bid June 1 and advertise with bid openings July 15, review the bids and come back to the Board the beginning of August with a recommendation. We would like to see the garage addition done in the fall and the press installation done during the course of the winter.

Declare Surplus Equipment

Trombley: We are taking out the list of all the equipment the plant no longer has or operates and coincident with that is parts on the shelf. I will be back several times between now to the end of the year, with other lists to try and reap some economic benefit instead of recycling it.

Boutwell makes the motion to accept the surplus equipment list of May 17, 2010 from Bob Trombley, WPCF as presented. Seconded by Fairbrother, approved unanimously. Fairbrother – Aye, Boutwell – Aye, Allen – Aye

Frank asks Bob about the I/I

Trombley: Every year we take a look at the plant flow here and in Erving and compare that to what the water meter says was received. The difference we say is inflow and infiltration.

Olivia Sears, Weekly Farmers Market on Montague Center Town Common

Fairbrother makes the motion that the Board grant a permit for use of Montague Center Town Common to Olivia Sears of Dry Hill Road for the Montague Center Farmers' Market on Mondays from May 24 through October 25, 2010. Market hours will be 3:00 to 7:00 PM with set up and clean up from 2:30 to 7:30 PM. I further move that the fee for these events be waived. Seconded by Boutwell, approved unanimously. Fairbrother – Aye, Boutwell – Aye, Allen – Aye

Other

At the Tri-County Highway Superintendents Association annual meeting DOT will be there to talk about the G/M Bridge and the BOS are being invited as guests to this dinner/meeting. The event is on June 3rd at 6:00 PM and everyone should let Wendy know if they are available.

Town Administrators Report

Approve 2010 Community Needs Survey

Abbondanzio: This is to get your endorsement on a town wide community needs survey that is being done in conjunction with the 2010 Community Development Block Grant. Last summer there was talk that DHCD was looking for more community needs information and we did a rough survey. The feeling was that this year we should try and do a town wide survey, so the FCRHA has put together this survey instrument and they will take care of the distribution to all households in Montague. It will be paid for through Community Development Program Income money that they have at their end. This is a way to get the community to weigh in on the specific projects that are already on our community development strategy document (side 1) this year and our long term plan. On the back page is a list of all the possible ways you can spend social service money that is basically dictated by what the funding agency considers eligible.

Changes given to Frank

Fairbrother moves that the Board approve the 2010 Community Needs Survey with amendments and authorize Frank to move forward with the publication. Seconded by Boutwell, approved unanimously. Fairbrother – Aye, Boutwell – Aye, Allen – Aye

Approve Summer Schedule

Fairbrother makes the motion to approve the summer meeting schedule as revised: May 18, May 24, June 1, June 14, July 6, July 19, August 2, August 16, August 30, September 13, then regular weekly schedule resumes. Seconded by Boutwell, approved unanimously. Fairbrother – Aye, Boutwell – Aye, Allen - Aye

Appointment to MEDIC

Fairbrother makes the motion that the board appoint Andrew Killeen to the remainder of a three year term on the Montague Economic Development and Industrial Corporation. This appointment would fill the currently vacant general position and the term would run from May 19, 2010 to June 30, 2010. Seconded by Boutwell, approved unanimously. Fairbrother – Aye, Boutwell – Aye, Allen - Aye

Planner Search Committee

Fairbrother makes the motion to appoint Jason Burbank to the Planner Selection Committee. Seconded by Boutwell, approved unanimously. Fairbrother – Aye, Boutwell – Aye, Allen - Aye

Montague Center RFP

The Montague Center School briefing and walk through will be held tomorrow at 10:00 AM. The RFP is on the website

Developers Tour

There has been some site interest in Turners Falls from developers. We also had an offer from the President of the Urban Land Institute to do a free RFP of the Strathmore to make sure everything is developer friendly.

Event Applications:

Use of Peskeompskut Park (Wedding)

Fairbrother makes the motion that the board grant a permit for use of Peskeompskut Park, specifically the band shell and grounds in front of it to Kevin C. Sak of Bristol, CT for a wedding. The event will be June 26, 2010 from 11:00 AM through Noon. Police Chief Raymond Zukowski has signed off on the event. Fee is not waived. Seconded by Boutwell, approved unanimously. Fairbrother – Aye, Boutwell – Aye, Allen – Aye

Use of Public Property (Relay for Life Toll Booth)

Fairbrother makes the motion that the board grant a permit for assembly, public demonstration, and use of public property (the intersection of 3rd Street and Avenue A in Turners Falls) to Tammy Murphy of Williamsburg, MA for May 22, 2010 from 9:00 AM through 2 PM for the purpose of holding a voluntary toll booth fundraiser for Franklin County Relay For Life. This will be the third year of the event. Police Chief Zukowski has signed off on the event, and Ms. Murphy has signed a release of liability for herself and all other participants in the event. Seconded by Boutwell, approved unanimously. Fairbrother – Aye, Boutwell – Aye, Allen – Aye

Use of Public Property (Memorial Day Celebration)

Fairbrother makes the motion that the board grant a permit for assembly, public demonstration, and use of public property (Avenue A from 2nd Street to the Veteran's Memorial) to Al Cummings, Chair of the Trustees of the Soldiers' Memorial, for May 31, 2010 from 10:00 AM through 11:00 AM for the purposes of a parade down Avenue A and a ceremony at the memorial honoring all our fallen veterans. Police Chief Zukowski has signed off on the event. Seconded by Boutwell, approved unanimously. Fairbrother – Aye, Boutwell – Aye, Allen – Aye

Fairbrother makes the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 PM. Seconded by Boutwell, approved unanimously. Fairbrother – Aye, Boutwell – Aye, Allen – Aye