

MIDDLEFIELD BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Middlefield Town Hall

January 4, 2010

Present: Robert Gazda, Mary Courtney, Larry Pease

Others: Joe Kearns, Sherry Venditti, Maureen Sullivan, Steve Savoy, Skip Savery, Tim Pease, Marie Pease, Patricia Baker, Terry Walker

- Meeting officially opened at 7:30 p.m.
- Larry Pease recused himself, and left the room. Marie & Tim Pease submitted a copy of the Warrant for the Annual town meeting of May 5, 1984 which states that in Article 27, the town voted to accept roads listed in the Annual Town Report, list of roads accepted, list of discontinued roads, and map. (See Attached). Information will be forwarded to town counsel. Mary stated that according to town counsel , neither the Board of Selectmen nor the Board of Assessors have the authority to make any proclamation as to the status of a town road. The town has the authority to act upon it at town meeting. Discussion ensued. It was suggested that the Peases put their requests in writing to the BOA with a cc. to the Selectboard. Larry Pease returned to the meeting.
- Patricia Baker asked if she had to pay for a license for a non-profit registered state & federally recognized business. The Selectboard will conduct research on this and report back to her on January 19.
- Terry Walker reported that she has gathered material re: Pole Hearing for Robin Allsop and will put it in the mail tomorrow.
- Selectboard read PVPC revised version of grant application. Corrections were made. Secretary will send back to be finalized.
- Selectboard read warrant for Special Town Meeting. It was agreed to be held on Feb.1, 2010.
- Selectboard reviewed meeting minutes of Dec. 14, '09, Oct. 27, '09, Oct 14, '08, Sept. 8, '09, Jan. 22, '09, approved and signed them.
- Joe Kearns reported his attendance at a Hampshire Council of Governments Building Inspection program where he had submitted a proposal re: the town's payment which was accepted. It consists of 2 components : Travel Activity will be based on actual experience, and Administrative costs will be on a percentage basis. Joe will place an article on the special town meeting warrant suggesting that the town sign up for 4 yrs. with the Hampshire's Council of Government at a reduced rate.
- Skip Savery reported that he needs to order more salt & sand. Disposal area discussed. A new heater will be purchased. Skip suggested that Kathy be outfitted with weather appropriate boots. Boots shall be purchased and paid out of disposal budget, as well as cold weather gear.
- Secretary will contact Laurel Foley and request supportive documentation for the Baker's, 71 Town Hill Rd. request.

- Accountant notified Selectboard that she had requested the November & December receipts from the treasurer.
- Meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Meeting minutes submitted by Suzanne C. Lemieux

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Larry Pease, Chairman Robert Gazda, Selectman Mary Courtney, Selectman