

MIDDLEFIELD BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Middlefield Town Hall

March 1, 2010

Present: Robert Gazda, Larry Pease, Mary Courtney (absent)

Others: Sherry Venditti, Skip Savery, Wally Smith, Noreen Suriner, Terry Walker, Marge Batorski, Eric Weiss, Ed Vivier, Marin Laurel-Paine, John Richardson, Jay Swift, Maureen Sullivan, Joe Kearns.

- Meeting officially began 7:30 p.m.
- Previous minutes read, approved, and signed.
- Paul Tacy's "Building Inspector" hours have been cut. He will not be available in Huntington. His regular hours include: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, mornings only, in Chesterfield. Larry reported, that a search is on for a new building inspector. Discussion ensued.
- Eric Weiss credited Joe Kearns, whose knowledge was crucial in initiating application. Eric discussed process of applying for this grant. Grant was requested specifically for boiler replacement, lights, and window replacement. Middlefield has been awarded an Energy Efficiency and Block Grant of \$121,278 for Thermal Efficiency. \$25,915 for the boiler, \$89,588 for the windows. The work needs to be completed by November, 2010. Eric's role will be to facilitate the building process, starting with the boiler. Bills for architect or engineering: for Eric's time "compensated for in grant"; from contractors will come to the town for payment. Eric will take care of reimbursement through the DOR "Diane Grey (contact)" The town hall is considered a historical building because it is 53 yrs. old. Any building older than 50 is considered historical. The BOS signed papers stating this, and will need to be approved by the Historic Building commission, so that the project can go forward. Eric explained history of town hall. Eric will return by the end of the month to present the official contract between the town and DOR which will require official signatures. The BOS have begged the building committee to reconvene for this project. Jay Swift, Joe Kearns, and Skip Savery "Members of Building Committee" who were present accepted. Larry will submit letter stating Middlefield's award to the Country Journal. On other news Eric reported that it was highly unlikely that the No. Hampton Landfill will be expanded, and also that the recycling market has worked it way back up to \$24, down from \$50 in Aug.'08, \$0 in Jan.'09" contract requirement= waste management pay \$15.67 a ton" Reason for recovery : Asian's recycling market is up, domestic is down.
- Larry Pease made a motion to overspend on snow budget to get us through to the end of the year. Robert Gazda seconded the motion. Skip has received sand today to replenish almost zero supply. He can hold off on replenishing salt, as supply is 3/4 full.

- Maureen Sullivan submitted written request for explanation of attorney - client privilege re: legal documents she has requested re: Harry Pease rd. Larry & Bob will consult with Mary Courtney.
- Grange supper was announced for March 6, '10., at 6:00 pm Larry was asked to display announcement on town board.
- BOS will hold budget meeting Thursday, March 4 @ 7:00 pm.
- Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Meeting minutes submitted by Suzanne C. Lemieux

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