

Selectmen's Meeting
June 9, 2009

All selectmen Present
Meeting started at 7:00 PM

PJ Blanchard, Dick Blanchard, Donna Mitton, Harold Woodworth, Josh Burrill and Rock Bunnell were in to talk to the Selectmen about allowing 4 wheelers to ride on some town roads. They would like to see Hunt Mountain Road, Canaan Road the Johnson Trail as well as part of Plains Road open for 4 wheeler use. The selectmen said they would contact the Local Government Center to see what the liabilities of doing this would be. The Selectmen are going to contact Mark Ober from Fish & Game and try to set up a meeting between him and concerned towns people.

Central Paving and Black Top have both looked at the skating rink and the Town Hall parking lots; they will both be giving us a bid and wanted to know when we would be opening them. We are still waiting on Pike Paving and Bigelow Paving to look at the jobs but will notify all bidders when bids will be opened.

The Selectmen went to the Well House as they were doing a test run with the generator. The new well is now ready to use and they wanted to know how things would go if we lost our electricity.

The Selectmen signed manifests, 2 intent to excavate forms, 2 contracts for use of Town Hall, and a cemetery lot approval.

The Selectmen denied one use of Town Hall Contract. A Resident had asked to use the hall one evening a month for a business meeting. The Selectmen denied this as it is a money making business for personal gain. The hall may be used for immediate family or for functions put on by the community and school.

The Selectmen received a copy of the deeds to do with the Roy Road project to review. They looked them over and agreed with them so Kevin Bruno will contact Attorney Garrison to wrap this matter up.

Lotha Riba was in to discuss a few things with the Selectmen. The first was placing political signs outside the Town Hall on voting day. Lotha had done this last fall and Denis Ward had told him this was not allowed. Cindy called the Secretary of State's Office to get the laws on this. Cindy was told that no political signs can be on town property and gave Lotha a copy of 664:17 that the Secretary of State's Office referred to.

The second item that Lotha wanted to discuss was the zoning laws. The Town of Monroe cannot have two family dwellings but we do have two or more families living in one house and we as tax payers pay to send these children to school. He thought that the way to solve this problem was to have a designation in our Zoning Laws to define these homes as two family homes which would give them more value.

The third item Lotha had was the Budget Committee and the School Board. Lotha does not feel that the School Board pays any attention to what the Budget Committee recommends and feels that the chair person for the Budget Committee should stand up at School District Meeting and explain this to the Town's people. Lotha also feels that the School Board is spending all its time on problems with the building and not spending any time working on how to improve student's grades. He feels that the Selectmen should talk to the School Board and try to get them working on some of the student issues. Gerry said that we have new administration coming in July 1st and let's see how things go then. He feels that the board is working hard and maybe with a new Administrator things will get better.

Lotha said he had called the Lancaster DOT Office to see about getting the winter sand removed from the Main Street area. They will be coming June 29th to do this. He suggested that the Town send a letter to them to have us put on a yearly schedule as he has called them for the last 25 years to have this done.

Dick Uncles, Vicki Smith, Butch Gibson and Bruce Frazer met with Doug Gibson and Butch Burrill today about things to do at the farms to help with the runoff. They really didn't find any problems at the Burrill's Farm. A few suggestions were made to Doug Gibson on things that could be done and how to go about getting grant money to help with the work.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 PM