

MINUTES

VILLAGE OF LUDLOW BOARD OF TRUSTEES

REGULAR MEETING

6:00 PM

Tuesday June 4, 2013

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Bob Gilmore, Chairman

Richard Harrison

David Rose

STAFF:

Frank Heald

OTHERS PRESENT:

Loran Greenslet

Ron Tarbell

Sharon Bixby – LPCTV

1. Call to Order

A. Chairman, Bob Gilmore, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., all members present.

2. Approve Minutes from Previous Meetings

- A. Bob Gilmore advised the minutes to be approved are from the regular meeting of May 7, 2013.
B. **MOTION by David Rose and seconded by Richard Harrison to approve minutes from the meeting of May 7, 2013 as submitted. Motion passed unanimously.**

3. Comments From Citizens

A. There were none.

4. Award 2013 Summer Paving Bids

- A. Frank Heald advised that the bids were opened last Friday morning and the Select Board voted to award the town paving bid to Fuller. The situation arose that Fuller was the low bidder (\$65/ton) in the town and 2nd low (\$72/ton) in the village. Pike was 2nd low (\$66.95) in the town and low in the village. They spoke to the Pike representative at the meeting and told him that they would award the town bid to Fuller and the village bid to Pike. Pike withdrew their bid. As it turns out, there was about a \$1,500 difference either way, with the town less with Fuller and the village would have been less with Pike. The committee recommends that the town award its paving bid to Fuller which is now the lowest available bid.
B. **MOTION by David Rose and seconded by Richard Harrison to award the paving bid to Fuller for \$72/ton.**
C. David Rose asked what the budget is for paving.
D. Ron Tarbell said about \$33,000 to \$34,000. He said they would be paving Tapper Street, Parker Avenue, parts of Main and possibly Terrace Avenue.
E. Frank Heald said that based on the estimated tonnage, they are under budget.
F. **Motion passed unanimously.**

5. Continue Gill Odd Fellows Home Coin Drop Discussion

- A. Bob Gilmore advised that the board has been given copies of the policy. He said that Gill Home has requested coin drops on October 12, 2013 and October 11, 2014 and that Columbus Day Weekend was not possible as there is so much traffic in town on that weekend. He added that he is not inclined to approve the request as the board had supported the request from Gill for tax abatement.

- B. Frank Heald advised that the policy states no more than 4 coin drops per year and 3 have already been committed to (Sons of the Legion, Project Graduation and the Fire Department.)
- C. **MOTION by David Rose and seconded by Richard Harrison to decline to request from Gill for coin drops for 2013 and 2014. Motion passed unanimously.**
- D. **Black River Rugby**
 - i. Bob Gilmore advised that the Black River Rugby Club had also requested a coin drop and that was declined at the last meeting.

6. **Village Radar Speed Sign Updates**

- A. Bob Gilmore said that he thinks that the radar signs are very effective and that the reports have some numbers that are real eye-openers. The reports are for the period May 5 through May 30, 2013. The unit on Route 100 South (Andover Street) indicated that the majority of cars have speeds 10 + MPH over the limit. There were 10,004 cars doing 36-45 and 6,000 doing 26-35. He said he would like to see more police surveillance there. He continued saying that the unit by Subway showed that 83,449 cars were doing 26-25 mph, 36,968 cars doing 36-45 mph and 1,169 doing 46-55 mph.
- B. David Rose noted on the report that the units had suffered some failures. He also asked about the \$300 fees.
- C. Ron Tarbell said they were not functioning and those were the repair costs.
- D. David Rose asked about the new portable unit.
- E. Ron Tarbell said it needs to be hooked up to Blue Tooth.
- F. Frank Heald added that they need to purchase another device that would run about \$500-\$600 and would not make the purchase until after July 1st.
- G. Bob Gilmore said that he is concerned about the speeding on Andover.
- H. Frank Heald said he would have the chief run some radar out there.

7. **Authorize Municipal Manager to Execute Lease Agreement for Costa Parking Lot**

- A. Bob Gilmore said that it seems that the lot was used more this year than in the past. It may be the Heritage staff parking there. He said he would support renewing the lease.
- B. Richard Harrison asked the cost.
- C. Bob Gilmore said \$4,800 plus maintenance.
- D. Frank Heald said that maintenance costs have increased.
- E. **MOTION by David Rose and seconded by Richard Harrison to authorize the Municipal Manager to execute the lease agreement. Motion passed unanimously.**

8. **Other Business**

- A. **Crosswalk**
 - i. Richard Harrison said that he understands that the speed limit may not be lowered on Main Street in the Village, so he would like to see more crosswalks put in to protect people. He would like to see one by DJs and another further down.
 - ii. David Rose said that you may lose parking spaces.
 - iii. Frank Heald said he would look into it.
- B. **Compliance Evaluation Report – Ludlow Wastewater Treatment Facility**
 - i. Frank Heald advised that the report is for the board's information only. We were amazed that we received an acceptable rating and that was because of a couple of high tests, one of which was just slightly after Irene. He said that the staff at the plant does a fine job.
 - ii. Loran Greenslet said that recently sent in the updated Emergency Plan.
 - iii. Bob Gilmore said the summary was still pretty good and that acceptable was considered the 2nd highest rating. He congratulated the staff for a great job.
- C. **Ciufo Gravel**
 - i. Richard Harrison asked if Sal Ciufo had gotten gravel for the hole in the road.
 - ii. Ron Tarbell said yes.
- D. **New Full Time Staff Member at Plant**
 - i. Frank Heald advised the Joe Gardenia had recently moved from part time work to full time at the wastewater plant.
- E. **Sand/Manufactured Sand**
 - i. Frank Heald advised that he suggests putting sand out to bid this year. He also advised the board of a company from Florence, VT that is working parallel to OMYA and manufacturing sand. They take the stones and remove the top layer and grind it to make sand. They will ship in – 5 railcars at a time and offload to backhoes. He thinks the price will be competitive. He said that it may have an advantage in the spring, when regular

sand turns to soggy silt and slime; this will create a fine layer of surepack. He will keep the board advised.

- ii. David Rose asked if they would also sell surepack.
- iii. Ron Tarbell said he did not know.
- iv. Bob Gilmore asked if the Select Board had acted on this.
- v. Frank Heald said this was for information only. He said he would be going to a meeting in Killington to find out more about it.

9. **Set Date for Next Meeting**

- A. Meeting set for Tuesday, July 2, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.

10. **Sign Warrant Orders**

- A. Warrant orders were signed.

11. **Possible Executive Session/Personnel/Contracts**

- A. Frank Heald advised that one is not needed.

12. **Adjourn**

- A. **MOTION to adjourn by David Rose and seconded by Richard Harrison. Motion passed unanimously.**
- B. Meeting adjourned at 6:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisha Klaiber

Robert Gilmore, Chairman

David Rose

Richard Harrison