

TOWN OF WEBSTER
MINUTES
AUGUST 3, 2010

The Board of Commissioners for the Town of Webster met for its regularly scheduled meeting at 1411 Webster Road.

Members present: Mayor Larry Phillips, Commissioner Billie Bryson, Commissioner Jean Davenport, Commissioner Rick Fulton, Commissioner Alan Grant, and Commissioner Mark Jamison.

Others present- Attorney Kim Lay, Louise Stephens, Blair Spangler, and Nick Breedlove of The Sylva Herald.

Agenda-Mayor Phillips called the meeting to order at 7:00pm with a call for additional Agenda items. There being none, Commissioner Grant made a motion for approval of the presented Agenda while Commissioner Jamison provided the second. The motion carried.

Minutes-Mayor Phillips called for approval of the Minutes as presented. Commissioner Fulton provided the motion for approval while Commissioner Grant provided the second.

Financial Report-Commissioner Bryson presented the Financial Report noting that income totaled \$1,795.84 while expenditures totaled \$26,295.20. The checking account balanced at \$136,770.53 including regular checking and checking CD. Powell Bill funds totaled \$51,405.18. Commissioner Jamison called for a motion of approval as presented while Commissioner Fulton provided the second. The motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Blair Spangler-Mr. Spangler presented the Board with a newly revised contract to include the items requested at the previous meeting. The new contract requires weekly service from April through December and as needed from January through March. The area to be covered ranges from the SCC campus to South River Road while the cost will be \$325 per month. Additional work may be provided upon request. Commissioner Fulton made the motion for approval of the contract as presented and Commissioner Jamison provided the second. The motion carried. Mr. Spangler will contact the Board should he determine that other duties need to be performed in order to achieve a well maintained sidewalk through Webster.

In a related item Commissioner Jamison requested that Mayor Phillips draft a letter to the DOT requesting that the drain box areas be cleaned and maintained.

2. Power Wash Estimate Town Hall-Mr. Spangler declined to submit an estimate for this work as his equipment was not adequate for this service. Mayor Phillips reported that he had contacted Curtis Queen for an estimate for this work and should hear from him within the week.

3. Deputies Salaries-Attorney Lay has developed a contract for the deputies' work; Commissioner Bryson sent the W9 forms to the deputies; and Sheriff Ashe is in the process of reviewing the contract although he will not be signing the contracts. Commissioner Bryson will send the working officers a contract which is to be signed and returned to her.

Zoning Administrator's Report:

- New Building will require a permit which may be obtained from Commissioner/Zoning Administrator Jamison
- An Organizational meeting will be held for the Zoning Board of Adjustment where officers will be elected and By-Laws reviewed. Commissioner Jamison hoped to provide CDs with training information so that the members can work on the training at their own pace and time schedule.
- A special use TWSA meeting is to be held on August 16, 2010.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. The Greenway Committee-Commissioner Grant gave the report for this committee which includes the following
 - The Greenway Committee met at the Webster Town Hall for the last meeting
 - A \$60,000 grant has been obtained by Greenway which is to be used for Tuckaseegee River Road and South River Road
 - \$300,000 is being sought through grants for clear water management
 - The SMES Greenway and Playground are under the planning stage and will include parent and student input.
 - The next planned meeting will be held on 17th August at 5:30pm
 - Ms Emily Elders is working part time as director of the Greenway Committee
2. The Planning Board-Chairman Leveille reported that the Planning Board members were making good progress with the Ordinances review. Renee Coward has now resigned from the Planning Board which leaves open a second slot to be filled on the Planning Board. Commissioner Jamison noted that earlier discussion of moving from nine to seven seats was an option available to eliminate that need.
3. Traffic and Safety-Mayor Phillips reported that an earlier sent letter to Joel Setzer of DOT has resulted in the state agreeing to study several points for traffic control including choker points, speed limits, and roundabouts.

Commissioner Grant reported the following points of information concerning North River Road.

- Heavy truck traffic is being experienced on North River Road
- Last year a school bus was clipped by one of the trucks.
- When two trucks meet both must use the shoulder of the road in passing to avoid a collision due to the lack of needed width to accommodate the size of the trucks.
- The base of North River Road is not adequate for heavy trucks and often requires repair work

Options for correcting the truck traffic problem that were discussed by the Board:

- Mr. Ryan Sherby will generate a map of traffic accidents in Town over the past five years for the purpose of further study.
- Attorney Lay will research noise ordinances as related to “jake” brakes including the actual ordinances in use and the law as it applies.
- Commissioner Bryson will contact Officer Jenny who often works with the traffic enforcement and request that she closely monitor traffic on North River Road.
- Speaking with contractors whose trucks run the route on North River Road and requesting assistance with speed and noise
- Inviting the sheriff’s department , Highway Patrol, or DOT to attend a Board meeting for further discussion of the problem

NEW BUSINESS:

TWSA-Commissioner Fulton introduced this topic with questions as to why Webster’s representative was not at the Board meetings to report information back to the Commissioners. He further inquired as to what TWSA’s By-Laws stated about municipal representatives and what Webster’s original agreement with TWSA stated. An informal discussion resulted in the clerk being directed to write Mr. Brad Moses a letter requesting that he attend the next Commissioners’ meeting.

There being no further business, Commissioner Jamison made a motion for adjournment of the meeting at 7:55pm which was followed by a second from Commissioner Fulton. The motion carried and adjournment was made.

Larry Phillips, Mayor

Jean W Davenport, Clerk

AGENDA
SEPTEMBER 7, 2010

1. Call to Order/Call for Agenda items/Approval of Agenda
2. Approval of Minutes
3. Approval of Financial Report
4. Guest: Mr. Brad Moses, Webster's representative for TWSA
5. Old Business:
 - Power Wash Estimate for Town Hall
 - Planning Board membership number
 - Noise Ordinance research "jake" brakes
 - Other
6. Zoning Administrator Report
7. Committee Reports:
 - The Greenway Committee
 - The Planning Board
 - The Traffic and Safety Committee
8. New Business
9. Adjournment