

**TOWN OF SHEFFIELD
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
SEPTEMBER 5, 2006
SELECTMEN'S MEETING ROOM
7 PM**

Board Members Present: David D. Macy, Chairman
 Julie M. Hannum, Clerk
 James T. Collingwood

Other Staff Present: Robert Weitz, Town Administrator
 Rhonda LaBombard, Recording Secretary

Chairman Macy called the meeting to order at 7 PM.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Selectman Hannum moved to approve the meeting minutes for August 21, 2006, seconded by Selectman Collingwood. Motion carried unanimously.

MAIL OF NOTE:

Administrator Weitz read a letter received from Mass Highway regarding the intersection of Hewins Street and Route 7. Mass Highway will take no action regarding the intersection at this time. Selectman Hannum spoke with Representative Pignatelli and a local resident regarding the intersection this past weekend. A possible solution would be to ask Mass Highway to make the portion of Route 7 a no passing zone in the vicinity of the two cross road intersections. Administrator Weitz will contact Mass Highway with this suggestion.

Administrator Weitz read a letter from Catherine Miller regarding Town Hall parking lot. Catherine recommended a kiosk, bike rack and public restrooms. Discussion ensued regarding the restrooms. Selectman Hannum recommended a committee to investigate installation of public restrooms. Anyone interested in working on the committee should contact the Selectmen's office.

APPOINTMENTS:

Conservation Commission – Conservation Commission Chairman Jamie Pomeroy was present and stated that the commission would like to have Ted Pittman appointed as a commissioner. Selectman Hannum moved to appoint Ted Pitman to the Conservation Commission to fill an existing vacancy, seconded by Selectman Collingwood. Motion carried unanimously. Selectman Macy stated that he commission was doing a good job. Chairman Pomeroy stated that there is still a vacancy on the commission.

Senior Center Design Committee –Administrator Weitz recommended Catherine Miller and Thomas Carmody be appointed to the Senior Center Design Committee. Selectman Hannum recommended Lovina Gulotta also be appointed to the Design Committee.

Selectman Hannum moved to appoint Catherine Miller, Thomas Carmody and Lovina Gulotta to the Senior Center Designer Committee, seconded by Selectman Collingwood. Motion carried unanimously.

PERMISSION TO HUNT ON TOWN PROPERTY:

Administrator read letters from Thomas Ackerman, 513 Polikoff Road and Russell Webb, 253 Polikoff Road requesting permission to hunt on town property. Selectman Collingwood moved to grant permission for bow hunting in the Town Park and shotgun, bow and black powder hunting in the town forest, seconded by Selectman Hannum. Motion carried unanimously.

TEMPORARY ROADSIDE EVENT SIGN PERMIT FORM:

Selectman Hannum moved to approve the form with the addition of space for Police Department approval, seconded by Selectman Collingwood. Motion carried unanimously.

SELECTMEN ITEMS:

Selectman Collingwood inquired about water for building in Town Park, discussion ensued. Administrator Weitz will investigate the issue.

Selectman Hannum asked if the Town Hall had ever held a display table at the Sheffield Celebration. She would like to have information on town business for display. Selectman Hannum will work with Administrator Weitz to gather information to display.

Selectman Hannum discussed ladder signs that are in need of repair/painting.

Chairman Macy issued a reminder of Sheffield Celebration and hoped everyone would attend.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Marty Brunnschweiler was present to request that tree branches be trimmed and to discuss the condition of the road to the covered bridge. Chairman Macy stated that the highway department will look into the tree trimming and that discussions on the road to the bridge have been on going.

Sheffield Post Home president Mark Bachetti was present to discuss the land transfer for a Senior Center. Administrator Weitz will work with Mark on the transfer.

Selectman Hannum moved to adjourn to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing real estate transactions and the meeting will not return to open session, seconded by Selectman Collingwood. The motion carried as follows: Chairman Macy-aye, Selectman Hannum-aye, and Selectman Collingwood-aye. Executive session entered at 7:40 p.m.

Selectmen Hannum moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m., seconded by Selectman Collingwood. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Macy adjourned the meeting at 7:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Rhonda LaBombard, Recording Secretary