

**TOWN OF SHEFFIELD  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
JUNE 26, 2012  
TOWN HALL  
WORKING MEETING  
4:45 PM**

Board Members Present: David A. Smith, Jr., Chairman  
Julie Hannum  
Rene C. Wood

Others Present: Rhonda LaBombard, Town Administrator  
Jennifer Goewey, Assistant to Town Administrator

Members of the Public

Chairman Smith called the meeting to order at 4.45 pm.

**CONSERVATION RESTRICTION:**

Discussion ensued regarding an Agricultural Restriction on West Road and the Conservation Commission co-holding the restriction with the Sheffield Land Trust. Questions arose regarding the recording fees associated with filing the restriction. It was consensus of the Board to table the issue until Kathy Orlando from the Sheffield Land Trust was present.

**HARVEY LAND COURT APPEAL:**

Discussion ensued regarding a Land Court case filed in 1998 regarding an appeal of a Zoning Board of Appeals decision. It was consensus of the Board that the Town would not take further action at this time.

**HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION PROGRAM:**

Discussion ensued regarding the Household Hazardous Waste Collection Program contract between the Town and Center for Ecological Technology (CET). Selectman Hannum moved to extend the current contract with CET for one year, seconded by Selectman Wood. The motion carried unanimously.

**AWARD RECLAMATION BID:**

The Group Purchasing Program solicited county bids for reclamation. Gorman Bros., Inc. was low bidder for Sheffield. Selectman Wood moved to award the reclamation bid to Gorman Bros, Inc. as presented, seconded by Selectman Hannum. The motion carried unanimously.

**CHAPTER 90 FUNDS:**

Selectman Hannum expressed her concern regarding the delay of Chapter 90 funds. Selectman Wood stated that she would be in Boston tomorrow and would discuss this issue with Senator Downing.

**ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR APPOINTMENT:**

Discussion ensued regarding the Electrical Inspector appointment and it was consensus of the Board to hold on this appointment.

**WIND SITING LETTER:**

Selectmen Wood presented a draft letter regarding H.4112, a wind siting standards bill. Selectman Hannum moved to send the letter as presented, seconded by Selectman Wood. The motion carried unanimously.

Selectman Wood presented a draft letter regarding H. 4198, an act relative to competitively priced electricity. Selectman Hannum moved to send the letter as presented, seconded by Selectman Wood. The motion carried unanimously.

**FIRE TRUCK DEDUCTIBLE:**

Discussion ensued regarding the \$1,000 deductible for the repairs to the Engine II. It was consensus of the Board that the Finance Committee and Administrator would decide how the deductible would be funded.

**VACATION BUY OUT:**

Discussion ensued regarding a vacation buy out request from Police Chief James McGarry. Selectman Wood moved to approve the request from James McGarry to buy out six weeks vacation time from FY2012, seconded by Selectman Hannum. The motion carried unanimously.

**METAL RECYCLING CONTRACT:**

JTC and Son have agreed to extend their contract for scrap metal recycling until a new contract is drafted and signed. Selectman Wood moved to extend the current contract with JTC and Sons Inc. until a new contract is signed, seconded by Selectman Hannum. The motion carried unanimously.

**PEDDLER SOLICITATION:**

A letter from MASSPIRG has been received requesting permission to canvas Sheffield for their annual membership drive to update the Bottle Bill. It was consensus of the Board not to take action regarding the request.

Selectman Wood moved to enter Executive Session for the purpose of Collective Bargaining and to not return to Open Session, seconded by Selectman Hannum. The roll call vote was as follows:

Chairman Smith – aye

Selectman Hannum – aye

Selectman Wood - aye

Selectman Hannum moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Selectman Smith. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Smith adjourned the meeting at 5:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Jennifer Goewey  
Assistant to Town Administrator