

ASHLAND BOARD OF SELECTMEN
WORK SESSION MINUTES
APRIL 9, 2012

Call to Order

Chairman Stewart called the Ashland Board of Selectmen (Board) work session to order at 9 am.

Roll Call

Present-Jeanette Stewart, Dan Golden
Absent with notice-Phil Preston

Presentation-Laurie Vachon from Lakes Region Community Service.

Laurie was present to explain to the Board a proposal for the Concession Stand at the beach. LRCS would like to rent the stand from June 8th through August 17th from 11 am to 4 pm daily for a rental fee of \$300.00. This would enable employment opportunities for Ashland residents with disabilities.

Action-The Board asked Laurie to complete the State application and review the premises with Parks & Rec. Director Gleich.

Old Business

- The Town Administrator (TA) gave a detailed report to the Board on the Department Head meeting of April 6th.
- The TA informed the Board that the Structural Engineer, Linda Perry would be returning to the Fire Station the week of April 16th to take a closer look at the roof assembly and taking a core cut to evaluate the deck. The TA asked FF Jeff Uhlman if he would be available that week.
- No decision had been made by the School Board regarding the After School Program but a MOU was being prepared for the Town and the School to review.
- The Board heard from P&R Director Gleich that the ratio of beach patrons to Lifeguards recommended by the American Red Cross was one life guard to every fifty patrons. In the circumstances it was a consensus of the Board that one life guard should be on duty which has been budgeted.
- The TA informed the Board that James Ogden of Ogden Construction would be winterizing the Booster Club starting next month.
- P&R Director Gleich informed the Board that the Digital Photography and the Country Line Dancing classes were no longer available to the public at the Booster Club but the Knitting and Guitar classes were still operational.
- The TA informed the Board that two North Ashland Road residents would appear before the Electric Commissioners on April 10th to complain about the length of time it has taken for the electric, cable and telephone lines to be transitioned to the AED poles.

- The web site host Glen Smith has been informed that he is simply to host the website going forward for a monthly fee of \$25.00. Volunteer Web Editor, Mardean Badger was recognized for her contribution to the work on the website.
- The TA had been directed by the Board to contact Michael Capone, the Bristol Town Administrator to discuss the Brownfield's process and the eligible grants that were reported in the economic development of Downtown Bristol. The TA informed the Board that he would contact both the LRPC and the NHDOT to open up these dialogues.
Action-Selectmen Stewart asked the TA to make the Brownfield's a top priority for the Mill.
- The HEAL grant interview on April 3rd went very well and the TA thanked those residents who participated.
- Operation Seek Shelter update- A meeting for those individuals who will be taking part in the June exercise has been arranged for April 13th at the Fire House at 5 pm.

New Business

- The PWD has purchased a 'carry-on trailer to transport the mowers from the highway garage to the ball field.
- The Town is going to complete a wetlands application to re-claim the sand that has eroded from the beach.
- The State notified the Town that they are to pave the road from Cross Road to West Street and the specs called for 'do not pave parking.' This was an oversight on the part of the State which has been corrected.
- The Town is participating in a # 2 fuel oil bid with the Lakes Region Schools and Businesses for two buildings in Town, namely the Fire House and the Booster Club.

Select Board Items

- The TA was asked to prepare for an 'end of probationary' period performance evaluation for the Public Works Director.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Selectmen Stewart to adjourn the meeting at 10:10 am seconded by Selectmen Golden.

Minutes taken by Paul Branscombe