

Unapproved

TOWN OF SALEM
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
May 4, 2010

Present: R. Asafaylo, K. Lyden (First Selectman), R. McKenney, and R. Ross
Absent: J. Fogarty

Guests: See attached.

CALL TO ORDER:

First Selectman K. Lyden called the meeting to order at 7:36 pm.

1) APPROVAL OF MINUTES: APRIL 6, 2010 - REGULAR MEETING

M/S/C (Ross/Asafaylo) to approve the April 6, 2010 Salem Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting minutes amended as follows:

Page 2, under *Agenda*, in *B. Minimum Budget Requirement (MBR) Motion*, in the first sentence - change *K. Lyden submitted draft legislation.....* to "K. Lyden presented draft legislation.....".

Page 2, under *Agenda*, in *B. Minimum Budget Requirement (MBR) Motion*, in the second sentence - change *..... the difference in number of resident students by \$3,000.* to "..... the difference in number of resident students times \$3,000."

Page 3, under *Agenda*, in *D. Approval of Single Stream Contract*, in the first sentence change *K. Lyden supplied* to "K. Lyden presented and change *..... Town has for recyclables ad what the difference* to "..... Town has for recyclables and what the difference".

Page 3, under *Agenda*, in *D. Approval of Single Stream Contract*, change the second sentence to read: "The Town would receive approximately \$17.00 per ton for recycled items and currently pays approximately \$80.00 for trash disposal."

Page 5, under *M/S/C (Ross/Fogarty) to approve the letter of commitment*, in the first sentence, change: *The schools portion* to "The school's portion....." and change *..... the town' portion* to ".....the town's portion".

Page 5, under *B. Ross then stated his motion:*, in the fourth paragraph, change the second sentence to read: "He said he does not think they will have a problem, but they may have issues the Board is not aware of."

Vote: approved unanimously.

The minutes of the **APRIL 20, 2010 SPECIAL MEETING** were ready for approval; they were passed out to all members present and, after review, the Board took the following action:

M/S/C (Asafaylo/McKenney) to approve the minutes of the April 20, 2010 Salem Board of Selectman Special Meeting as presented. Vote: approved unanimously.

2) **CORRESPONDENCE/PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

CORRESPONDENCE:

The First Selectman announced:

- The Annual Town Meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 5, 2010 at the Salem School at 7:00 pm. It will be adjourned to a referendum to be held at the Salem Town Office Building on May 12, 2010 from 6:00 am to 8:00 pm.
- US Census workers are starting their visits to homes in Salem from which they have not received the census form. All information can be found on Salem's website (salemct.gov).

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

There were no *PUBLIC COMMENTS* this evening.

3) **AGENDA ADDITIONS/REVISIONS:**

M/S/C (Ross/Asafaylo) to add the following to tonight's agenda:

Under *AGENDA:*

- D) "The Nature Conservancy - Request for support for their application for a DEP Open Space and Watershed Land Acquisition Grant for a Conservation Easement on 123 Gungy Road"
- E) "School Asbestos Abatement and Tile Replacement Project"
- F) "Appointment of a School Building Committee"

Vote: approved unanimously.

4) **AGENDA:**

A) ENDORSEMENT OF SCCOG STP-URBAN PROGRAM GRANT FOR SIDEWALK AND SAFETY UPGRADE ON ROUTE 85

The First Selectman informed the Board:

J. Dillon, Town Engineer, is doing the design work for the sidewalk. It will be between Salem School and the Salem Library; five (5) feet wide and in the State's right-of-way as far away from the highway as possible.

It has been designated a high priority project and qualifies as a safety upgrade.

The grant requires a 20% match in the amount of \$26,000 from the town.

M/S/C (Ross/Asafaylo) that the Salem Board of Selectmen endorses the Town of Salem's application for a SCCOG STP - Urban Program Grant for sidewalks and safety upgrades for a section of Hartford Road (Route 85) in the amount of \$130,000. Vote: approved unanimously

B) RECOMMENDATION REGARDING STEAP GRANT

K. Lyden explained:

This grant for the Multi-Purpose Path has already been approved through the State; no matching funds are required.

In consultation with Marien & Co., the Town Auditors, per the Town Charter, agreed that it should be administered as a Capital and Non-Recurring Expense Fund.

M/S/C (Asafaylo/McKenney) that the Board of Selectmen recommend to the Board of Finance that the STEAP Grant in the amount of \$160,868 for the Multi-Purpose Path, after consultation with Salem's Auditors, be administered as a Capital and Non-Recurring Expense Fund as per Section 10.18 of the Salem Town Charter. Vote: approved unanimously.

C) TAX COLLECTOR REFUNDS

M/S/C (Ross/Asafaylo) to authorize the Town Treasurer to issue refunds as recommended and certified by the Tax Collector in the following amounts: Motor Vehicles - \$326.40; Real Estate - \$2,998.43; Personal Property \$1,708.85 to those indicated on the *Refund Amount Sheet Dated 5/4/10* attached to the filed copy of these minutes. Vote: approved unanimously.

D) THE NATURE CONSERVANCY - REQUEST FOR SUPPORT FOR THEIR APPLICATION FOR A DEP OPEN SPACE AND WATERSHED LAND ACQUISITION GRANT FOR A CONSERVATION EASEMENT ON 123 GUNGY ROAD

L. Schroeder appeared representing the Nature Conservancy:

This is a grant for a conservation easement over the property.

The present logging road will become part of a trail for the site.

There are no aquifers on the property.

Has walked the site and it is a wonderful area for passive recreation.

The Nature Conservancy will retain the right to take selected timber from the site.

As well as asking the Board of Selectmen for a letter of support, The Nature Conservancy is requesting that the First Selectman ask J. Butler, Director of the Southeastern CT Council Of Governments, for a letter of support for the grant application also.

M/S/C (Ross/Asafaylo) that the Salem Board of Selectmen authorizes K. Lyden, First Selectman to draft a letter of support for The Nature Conservancy's application for a DEP Open Space and Watershed Land Acquisition Grant for a conservation easement on 123 Gungy Road and approach the Southeastern CT Council Of Governments for a similar letter.
Vote: approved unanimously.

E) SCHOOL ASBESTOS ABATEMENT AND TILE REPLACEMENT PROJECT

The Project involves two (2) parts:

- Part 1 - asbestos abatement of the floor tile from two (2) classrooms (#107 and #116) and replacement with vinyl floor tile. 1,420 sq. ft. is to be abated in the 1940 wing for this part of the Project. Samples of the tile were tested by Mystic Air Quality and all tested positive for asbestos.
- Part 2 - asbestos abatement of floor tile in the hallway outside the gym doorway in the 1940 wing and replacement with vinyl floor tile. 30 square feet is to be abated.

M/S/C (Asafaylo/McKenney) The Board of Selectmen authorizes the following:

- The establishment of a Building Committee consisting of Donald Bourdeau, Jr. for the Asbestos Abatement and Tile Replacement Project;
- The Superintendent of Schools to prepare schematic drawings and outline specifications for the Project and;
- For the Superintendent of Schools to file the grant application for the Project.

Vote: approved unanimously.

F) APPOINTMENT OF A SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE

After Board discussion, the Board took the following action:

M/S/C (Ross/McKenney) to appoint the following to the New School Building Committee:

- Richard Asafaylo,
- Robert Green,
- John Bernier,
- Elbert Burr,
- Carol Traggis, and
- Dianne Woronik

Vote: approved unanimously.

5) **REPORTS:**

- A) **First Selectman** - K. Lyden: Business Seminar was held today; has been using encouragement and enforcement to get the business owners at the Salem Four Corners to remove their sandwich board signs and most are gone now; the roundabout is scheduled for the summer of 2012; Kim Gadaree, the Business Manager at the school, has met with our new representative from CIRMA; the costs to the town due to the flooding are due by May 13th to FEMA; this past weekend there were non-stop activities at the Library, baseball season opened, a fundraiser for the Mom's Club took place, and the Community Garden opened.
- B) **Public Works** - D. Bourdeau, Jr.: working on drainage on Buckley and Scott Hill Roads; will resume work on Forsyth Road in June and pave it to Route 85; FEMA will be assessing flood damage to determine the percentage to be given back to the town.
- C) **Building Department** - D. Bourdeau, Jr.: there has been a slight pick up for new residential dwellings.
- D) **Board of Education** - no report.
- E) **Board of Finance** - K. Lyden: the Annual Town Meeting will take place tomorrow and the referendum will be one week from tomorrow.
- F) **Planning and Zoning Commission** - the Kobyluck Special Exception for permit renewal public hearing was closed, but no decision has yet been made; the Renz (Lexington Trails) five (5) lot resubdivision on Hartford Road and Special Exception for a common driveway were approved.
- G) **Inland Wetlands and Conservation Commission** - working on the wetlands violation (trash/debris in wetlands) at the Salem Town Center.
- H) **Economic Development Commission** - R. Ross: there is a new DEP project manager for the roundabout project.
- I) **Zoning Board of Appeals** - another application for off-season use of a seasonal dwelling was denied; Board is reviewing legal noticing costs vs. the ZBA application fee, as the notices now cost more than the application fee; will be researching other towns' ZBA fees as well.
- J) **Recreation Commission** - no report.
- K) **Public Safety** - no report.
- L) **Transfer Station** - D. Bourdeau, Jr.: most of the projects on the site have been completed; will be working on safety improvements.
- M) **Library Board** - no report.
- N) **Town Vision Committee** - R. Asafaylo: the Committee now has an Executive Summary.

6) **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

There were no further *PUBLIC COMMENTS*.

7) **FUTURE ACTION ITEMS:**

- BOS YEARLY CALENDAR "TICKLER LIST"
- SPECIAL EVENTS POLICY
- TOWN OFFICE BUILDING COMPUTER NETWORK

R. Ross stated that he would like to see the Board begin work again on a Special Events Policy.

He will take the lead on it by summarizing all past drafts and draft a policy for the Board's review.

A suggestion was made to add "Safety" in the title.

This item will be placed on the June 1, 2010 BOS agenda.

M/S/C (Ross/Asafaylo) to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 pm. Vote: approved unanimously.

D. McTigue, Administrative Assistant/Recording Secretary

K. Lyden, First Selectman