

Approved 4/14/10
TOWN OF WEST TISBURY
SELECTMENS MEETING
Wednesday, March 31, 2010, 4:30 p.m. – 5:45 p.m.

Present: Selectmen Dianne Powers, Richard Knabel, Skipper Manter, Jen Rand
Guests: Karen Corriveau, Pat Gregory, Ron Rappaport, Phyllis Kugler, Kathy Logue, Janet Bank, J. Ames, B&B Day, B. Potts, S. Silk

NStar Hearing: NStar was requesting permission to go under Old County Road and down Pin Oak Circle. Skipper said he had a concern that the road integrity be maintained. He said he thought the town should have a representative there to oversee the work at the applicant's expense. Phyllis Kugler added that she was president of the Road Association for Pin Oak and she also wanted assurances her road would be returned to its original state. Karen did note it would not be trenched, but done entirely under the road. The Board asked for a week to determine the best way to oversee the work.

S. Manter motioned to close the public hearing pending the development of conditions to protect the road. R. Knabel seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.

Skipper asked Karen if the pole recently installed by NStar could be moved to a less visible area. Karen said the Board should talk to Jeff Luce about that. Jen will contact him.

Minutes: *R. Knabel motioned to approve the minutes of 3/10/10 with one amendment. S. Manter seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.*

Warrant: The Board went through the warrant with Pat Gregory and Ron Rappaport to determine who would speak to which article. The Board talked about which committees would be giving reports and other presentations that might be made at the opening of town meeting.

Pat said that provided articles 4&5 passed he would move articles 38 & 39 to follow immediately. He said he doesn't entertain requests to move articles generally, but he felt these two articles were closely related to the other personnel board articles so it made sense to vote them right after.

Pat asked that a copy of the cell bylaw be available at town meeting.

Trails on Map 30 Lot 11: Jen said she had been asked to determine if the town was able to provide trails on this property or if there was a restriction due to liability concerns or deed restrictions. There are no restrictions. Skipper suggested the Town ask the Land Bank if they would be willing to create and maintain the trails. Jen will continue to work on this.

ZBA Committee Reorganization: The ZBA said that Eric Whitman, who has been on the Board for 30 years wished to become an Associate Member, and Nancy Cole, the most senior Associate would then become a full voting member. They asked the BOS if they would act on this recommendation. Richard said there needed to be a vacancy in order to

move the Associate member up so Eric would have to resign, the position would then have to be advertised and he could apply to be the Associate. He said appointment procedures need to be consistent. Skipper said he thought there was no problem doing what they wanted. It was a simple matter of two committee members “changing hats”.

S. Manter motioned to appoint Eric Whitman as an Associate Member and Nancy Cole as a full member. R. Knabel seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was RK & DP against, SM yes.

Rossi Contract: *R. Knabel motioned to sign a contract with Sergeant. Rossi detailing the rate of pay previously agreed to by the BOS. D. Powers seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was RK & DP in favor, SM abstained.*

WTPD Building Study Committee: Skipper said the deadline had passed for letters of interest to serve on the Police Station Building Study Committee. He said he felt the committee should be five members with one alternate. Jen said she had received 4 letters of interest, but one was after the submittal deadline.

R. Knabel motioned to extend the deadline for letters of interest. S. Manter seconded the motion.

Skipper noted that in the previous discussion about appointments it was argued there was a need for consistency and now there was an attempt to change the submittal deadline after the fact. Richard and Skipper then withdrew their motion and second. Kath Logue then said she felt there were too many employees on the committee which was the death knell of the town hall project the first time. She felt there should be more outsiders.

R. Knabel motioned to readvertise for two weeks to solicit more interest in the WTPD Building Study Committee. S. Manter seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.