

**WATERBURY SELECT BOARD**  
**December 20, 2010**  
**Municipal Office**

Present: Rebecca Ellis, Chair; Pam Clapp, Bob Butler, Karen Miller and John Grenier, Select Board; William Shepeluk, Municipal Manager; Alec Tuscany, Public Works Director; Celia Clark, Highway Supervisor; Gordon Miller, Recreation Committee; Anne Imhoff, ORCA Media; Chris Preston, Waterbury Record; and Carla Lawrence, Town Clerk.

Public: Everett Coffey; Representative Tom Stevens.

The meeting of the Select Board was called to order at 7:05p.m.

Representative Tom Stevens was present to update the Board on legislative activities. He mentioned wastewater treatment plant upgrades, projected to cost \$2 million, and the resignation of the Director of the Vermont State Hospital. He indicated that the State has a \$150 million budget deficit, and gave an update of paving and culvert grants for Stowe Street. He talked about programs available for veterans returning from Afghanistan and seeking employment, and that all Vermont members are home for the holidays.

**RECREATION BUDGET**

The Hope Davey skate park was discussed and efforts by Belle McDougall to raise funds for the facility. P. Clapp made a motion to approve the fund raising effort of Belle McDougall to be placed in the Town of Waterbury Recreation CIP for the Hope Davey skate park. The motion was seconded by B. Butler and approved by all.

A discussion was held with regard to hiring a Recreation Director. P. Clapp indicated that the committee recommends hiring a full time director to organize all of Waterbury's recreation programs, including before and after school, senior citizens, and other money generating programs. The committee recommends that for 2011, a part-time person be hired to administer the recreation programs. A general discussion was held with regard to part time versus full time, and the long term cost of employment versus program generation and funds.

**DEW CONTRACT**

A. Tuscany reviewed a request from DEW's attorney to convert the fire stations contract price to a stipulated sum in the amount of \$3,112,812, as DEW has obtained bids for at least 90% of the construction work. There will still be a process in place for change orders. J. Grenier made a motion to authorize the Municipal Manager to sign the agreement between the Town of Waterbury and DEW, Inc. to convert the contract price to a stipulated lump sum amount. The motion was seconded by P. Clapp and approved by all.

**HIGHWAY BUDGET**

W. Shepeluk reviewed the Highway comparative budget report with annotations (copy attached to these minutes). He indicated that there should be no changes in the revenue lines for the remainder of the year, and that some expenses may be a little lower than shown. A lengthy discussion was held with regard to the highway department budget line items.

The prioritization of recreation projects was discussed. It was decided that the priorities for 2011, given a line item of \$20,000, would be to repair the Scout Hall roof, resurface the basketball court and purchase new goals, and if money permits repave by the Scout Hall. The construction of a new dugout, at \$10,000, was discussed and removed from the budget for 2011.

G. Miller mentioned that the community bonfire would be January 15, 2011 and asked to use the Scout hall. A. Tuscany indicated that the hall was full of fire equipment and lighting fixtures, so they would have to see what happens by the 15<sup>th</sup>. G. Miller also indicated that there would be another broom ball tournament on February 5, 2011.

**HIGHWAY CIP'S (PAVING, INFRASTRUCTURE, TRUCKS)**

W. Shepeluk reviewed the Highway CIP funds (copy attached to these minutes). A discussion was held about the status of paving grants. The fire truck and loader notes were discussed. W. Shepeluk explained there may be some financial advantages of converting these 5 year notes to longer term bonds, as the equipment has longer life expectancies. This would help the CIP have better fund balances and would help the cash flow.

**GENERAL FUND REVENUES**

W. Shepeluk briefly reviewed the general fund revenues. Revenue from the State is estimated at 75% of the budgeted amount in 2010.

**MINUTES**

P. Clapp made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 6, 2010 Joint meeting. The motion was seconded by K. Miller and approved by all.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:10p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carla Lawrence

Approved at a meeting held on January 10, 2011