

MINUTES
WEST RUTLAND SELECT BOARD
Monday, February 24, 2013

Present: Pete Bianchi, Nick Notte, Sean Barrows, Chet Brown, Mary Ann Goulette, Mike Moser, Lucy Gibson, (Safe Routes to School).

Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by John Harvey with the Pledge of Allegiance

Public Concerns: None

Informational Meeting: Safe Routes to School Sidewalk Feasibility Study – Town received the grant to do this study. Gave background on proximity of students to the school. Six segments part of the charge: Areas of Campbell, Thrall, Clarendon, Fairview Avenue, Ross Street and Main Street. This meeting is to address local concerns, develop conceptual alternatives, identify impacts and conflicts, alternatives presentation, refine alternative design and cost estimates, final presentation and report production. Campbell will be problematic. Discussion around parking especially with the teen center going in. Residents will need use of the street. Also discussed was parallel or diagonal parking . Also, this is a fire truck route so people couldn't park close to the end of the street.

Thrall Avenue – sidewalk on the north side. Discussion around drainage. May need to replace sidewalk on the lower section of Thrall as its in poor condition.

Clarendon Avenue: On the east side of the road. Will have sidewalks on both sides of the road. Look at Fairview and Clarendon in regard to a crosswalk; south of Dewey Avenue or on the crest of the hill.

Mary Ann has had a request for a crosswalk or striping on Dewey. Possibly install a caution light.

Ross St. and the school. Discussion around where to run the sidewalk/pathway. Discussion around busses being able to turn from Main Street into the school.

Lucy will contract a representative from the Church about using the cemetery as a pathway.

Fairview to Recreation Center – maybe both sides of the road.

Laying out of a roundabout section will be looked at.

Informational Meeting – Route 4A water/sewer extension - Mark Youngstrom/ Otter Creek Engineering – Rutland Economic Development Group commissioned a study for this unserved area of water and sewer. Looked at Rutland City, Rutland Town and West Rutland. WR has both water and sewer to sell. WR is the best host. Cost just over \$2,000,000. One trench instead of 2 based on the piping they are using. North side is most feasible. 8 inch water main with hydrants and connected with Rutland Town Fire District 1.

Rutland Town Fire Station may also pump to West Rutland. Financing point of view – USDA Rural Development. West Rutland – grant and low interest loans. If community is behind the project and votes yes on the bond then the grant will become available. Income from new customers will pay the bond. Evelyn Bania who lives on Sheldon and doesn't have sewer and wants it before this project. Select board told her the road and sewer is currently being engineered. Town recognizes that sewer does need to be available on Sheldon. Board is trying to do both the road and the sewer in the most effective way. The sewer project is in the budget and will be in by the end of the summer and the cost for it is \$75,000. Town of WR has plenty of capacity. Gentleman said it is good for businesses. At what point do we need commitments – prior to construction. Is there funding for people who want the services? Yes, there is. Mary Ann sent the initial letter and got lot of interest. Fire district is a big part of the financial commitment.

Regular Board Meeting: Called to order at 7:10 p.m.

Minutes: Sean made a motion to accept the minutes of 2/10/14 with a minor correction and Chet seconded. Unanimously approved

Public concerns – Silvia Lio asked the town about the paving in front of her store. She asked if the town has any obligation to repave in front of the store. Measure right of way from center of the road. Board will find out. Asked about the sanding of the sidewalk.

Joe Skaza – Talked about the truck. \$15,828 bill was submitted to the insurance company. There is a \$1,000 deductible. Ed would like to be paid \$13,000 by the town and then the town will be reimbursed by the insurance.

Liquor and tobacco licenses: Rite Aid 1174 for liquor and tobacco. Chet made a motion to approve. Sean seconded. Unanimous.

Price Chopper: 122 Liquor license – Chet made a motion to approve and Pete seconded. Unanimous.

Auditors report – only a clerical error from accounting.

Board Member Concerns:

Peter: Pool of water up from Rite Aid. Should get something done. No drainage. AOT District didn't work on that. Sean will get Mary Ann to contact him.

Sean: Nothing

Nick – This is his last formal meeting. Will help out the town if needed.

Chet: Town guys park their pickups in garage. Is this an insurance issue – person wanted to know. Mary Ann to look into.

Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 7:33 on a motion by Pete and a second from Chet.

Respectfully submitted,
Charleen Bowen