

UNDERHILL SELECTBOARD MINUTES

Thursday, January 24, 2008

Present: Steve Walkerman, SB Chair; Dan Steinbauer, SB; Steve Owen, SB; Sherri Morin, Town Clerk; Chris Murphy, Town Administrator

6:00 PM: Meeting Called to Order

- **Orders Signed**

- **Minutes** from 1-9-08 are read and accepted as amended and 1-19-08 are read and accepted.

- **Town Report:** The Board reviews the proposed 2008 Town Report as provided by the Auditors. The Board agrees with the Auditors inclusion of both FY 06-07 and FY08-09 on Salary and Benefits page. The Board recognizes that they may have to explain the increase in highway hourly rates in FY07-08 when an adjustment was made to hourly rates so that the road crew was making in 40 hours what they used to make in 45 with 5 hours of guaranteed overtime. The Board chose to eliminate the guaranteed overtime in favor of paying the road crew an hourly wage commensurate with VLCT recommendations.

- **VLCT Memorandum re: Education Financing Resolution:** The Board reviews the memo from VLCT which urges them to support the Resolution, but the Board remains steadfast in its position that the Resolution does not really accomplish anything, and consistent with their decision on 1/9/08 they will not support the Resolution.

- **New Road Gravel Pit:** The Board reviews information from Rod regarding the value of the gravel in the ground. Chris will check with Dick Albertini to confirm the number of acres that is under discussion. Chris will also ask Rod for any information he has as to an estimate on other tangible cost savings to the Town, i.e., wear and tear on vehicles and fuel costs.

- **Bill Wilson, Town Moderator, Guest:** Bill meets with the Board and reviews the warned articles for Town Meeting. The web site will be up and fully functional by Town Meeting, we will try to get people interested in it at the meeting.

- **Driveway Design Approval:** The Board approves the design of the driveway for the new lot at 50 New Road on property owned currently by Marcy Gibson.

- **Recreation Committee Questions:** The Board discusses whether having a lifeguard is a good idea as an offered town service, and

whether the Town has liability if the fence is not repaired. Chris thinks the fence in a liability issue; whether we need lifeguard coverage from a liability perspective she will check with VLCT. At any rate, the Recreation Committee funds do not roll forward, so elimination of the lifeguard position would not be a way to fund tennis court repairs. A reserve fund would have to be set up and voted on.

7:25 PM: The Board Adjourns

Respectfully submitted by Chris Murphy
Read and Approved as written/as amended

Stephen Walkerman, Chair