

Town of Whitefield
Select Board Meeting Minutes
June 13, 2011

Present: Steve McCormick, Sue McKeen, Tom Colpitt, and Dennis Merrill

Select Board actions

1. The minutes of the 6/6/11 meeting were approved, 4-0
2. Roads. David Boynton was present and said he will check with Dig Safe to clarify when their review may be needed for roadwork. He has met with three paving contractors and awaiting prices for Cookson Lane and Senott Road. The State has two moldboards that could be used on our grader – he and David Jackson will go to the upcoming auction and see if the moldboards can be bought for a good price. The State DOT has published a list of critical bridges – none are in Whitefield.
3. A citizen complaint was received about parking adjacent to the cemetery in Coopers Mills. Dennis will contact the Health Center to ask that staff refrain from parking along the road, as this is somewhat of a dangerous location.
4. Will Turner cemetery trust. A letter was sent to the Bank of Maine stating we do need all monies in the trust fund for maintenance of the cemetery in Coopers Mills.
5. Fire station. The Board, along with Lynn Talacko, made a brief tour of the new fire station, focusing on erosion caused by water running off the roof. It was decided, 4-0, to place stone at the drip line about two feet out and one foot deep. Steve will contact David Jackson and David Boynton regarding this work. It was estimated the cost should be under \$1,000. Most of the loam has been screened and June 25 is possible date for seeding and mulching.
6. Purchasing policy. Copies of purchasing policies from other towns were distributed for consideration. Board members will review them for a discussion at a future meeting.
7. Recycling center. A letter was sent to the individual believed to be responsible for leaving trash at the recycling center.
8. FCC radio license. Notice has been received that the FCC has transferred the license from the Town to the school.
9. Solid waste. A short letter will be sent to the Windsor select board asking for a meeting to informally discuss possible joint solid waste disposal.

Assessors' Actions

1. CMP land. Assessor's agent Jim Murphy left a note showing the recalculated value of CMP's land used for transmission lines, based on two recent sales in

Town. The proposed new value is about ten times the current rate. Steve will check with the Maine Revenue Service to verify the proposed approach.

2. RSU administrative office. A citizen came in with concerns about the vote on June 14 for the RSU to purchase the Augusta Road office building it is now leasing. If the purchase were to go through, the building would be removed from the tax rolls, and revenue would be lost to the Town. He suggested that in that event the Union be sent a bill for the lost money. We will explore the law in this area.

3. Vorpapel mobile home. A letter was sent to McGee Construction, owner of the land from which the Vorpapel mobile home was removed without proper permits. The letter requested the firm's involvement and payment of the taxes owed.