

1. J. Huebner called the meeting to order at 6:58. J. Huebner R. Borgnis present with S. Lennon arriving late.
2. J. Huebner motioned to accept the minutes from February 7, 2011. R. Borgnis seconded. Motioned passed unanimously
3. The Board review the minutes from the Executive Session changing Cory to Cori. J. Huebner motioned to accept the minutes from the Executive Session. R. Borgnis seconded. Motioned passed unanimously.
4. The Board reviewed and signed warrants left by D. Parnell.
5. The Board approved payment to the Becket Athenaeum in the amount of \$1,475.62.
6. The Board approved payment from the Treasurers Expense Account for D. Parnell to attend Municipal Accounting training.
7. K. Walls informed the Board that he had received, as a member of the Conservation Commission, correspondence regarding alleged gravel pit activity on Upper Valley Road. K. Walls informed the Board that he had received a return email from the Director of the ACEC of Massachusetts reporting that C. Willis property is located in the Hinsdale Flats portion of the ACEC. K. Walls interpretation of the laws and regulations suggests that the ACEC regulations do not supersede the local regulations for land ownership or development but the ACEC regulations do have stricter buffer zone standards than the Wetlands Protection Act prohibiting dump or waste disposal sites as well as washing sand if you do have a gravel pit. He also informed the Board that he attended the Planning Board Meeting in which C. Willis stated to the Planning Board that there is nothing in the bylaws that prohibit the number of gravel pits. Marilyn response was that she was told by old town counsel that a previous town bylaw stopped any additional gravel pits. Mr. Willis has sought applications for a permit the past year from the Planning Board but has not been provided one. J. Huebner read M. Wiley letter dated April 2009 and he will contact M. Wiley. K. Walls also informed the Board that L. Peltier contacted the DEP who sent pictures, which K. Wall presented to the Board. from 1998, 2001, 2002 and 2009. K. Walls also attended the Wednesday night meeting Berkshire County Conservation Commission in which he show the pictures to Mark Stimpson and a DEP rep from Foresight, who did not see any buffer zone infringements but suggested a walk around in Spring. K. Walls stated that C. Willis agreed to a walk around and mentioned that he will be adding topsoil and seeding the area behind his house. K. Walls will email the ACEC informed them that the matter has settled at least until Spring.
8. K. Walls also inquired into why the Planning Board has an uneven amount of members. R. Borgnis stated a member of the Board has been on an extended leave of absence and she doesn't believe that member could be asked to give up the seat. The Board asked if the Planning Board has been splitting over issues and asked if the Conservation Commission has the same issue during their meetings. K. Walls state that is why L. Peltier informed the Board that she was advertising in the Tracks for a new member.
9. R. Borgnis asked J. Huebner that letters from the Board be copied to all members of the Board as she did not receive copies of the letters sent to the Building Inspector and Conservation Commission prior to the meeting. J. Huebner apologized for the over site and will send her copies.
10. J. Huebner motioned to hire Michelle Lampro as the Transfer Station Attendant. R. Borgnis seconded. Motioned passed unanimously. The Board told M. Lampro as previously discussed that she can parcel the work out. K. Walls informed the Board that the paper recycle bin needs a spring attached as M. Lampro was trapped when the wind slammed the door shut.
11. The Board discussed with J. Hostetter finding a replacement during her two month leave.
12. R. Borgnis reported that Berkshire Taconic neighbor to neighbor fund matching program is asking the Town to again partner with a five to one match with a June first is the deadline. R. Borgnis will write up something for the Tracks.
13. J. Huebner informed the Board that he verified with the new propane supplier that the Town was receiving 30 cents over cost as previously quoted.
14. J. Huebner signed the Disposal Service Agreement and asked J. Hostetter to add the Selectmen's gmail account washingtonboardofselectmen@gmail.com as the contact information.
15. J. Huebner opened the first bid package received for the Town Hall Boiler replacement from Don Davis Heating at 7:30 in the amount of \$25,220 with 96% efficient Lochinvar WHN boiler, 94% efficient Rinnal Tankless hot water heater and a three year maintenance agreement. The second bid was opened at 7:31 from Climate Heating and Cooling in the amount of \$24,152 with a 95.7% efficient Lockinvar Boiler, Rinnal model direct vent water heater and three year maintenance

agreement. J. Huebner motioned to award the bid to Climate Heating and Cooling pending bid package review from BRPC. R. Borgnis seconded. Motioned passed unanimously.

- 16. Zina Jayne from the Beckett Athenaeum addressed the Board providing a hand explaining the formula used for Library funding, Town contributions comparisons, expenditure comparisons, explanation of the state aid. She also informed the Board that in order to remain certified the Athenaeum has to have a certain amount of money appropriated by Becket and Washington combined. Library certifications allow for state grant eligibility and inter library loans. Z. Jayne reported that approximately 15% of the patrons are Washington residence asking the Board to help spread the word that the Becket Athenaeum is Washington's certified library offering six public computers, providing six times as many movies as library of equal size, homework helper and other after school programs. She has submitted a request to the Tracks. The Board will also mention it in the Selectmen's letter.
- 17. R. Spencer reported that D. Parnell and MA DOR are close to closing the 2010 books with the balancing of by approximately twenty five thousand dollars. J. Huebner reported that D. Parnell is still struggling with the inadequacies of the accounting software and is still planning to research other software.
- 18. J. Huebner motioned to close the meeting at 7:53. S. Lennon seconded. Motioned passed unanimously.

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