



Town of Redding, Connecticut
Board of Selectmen
Meeting Minutes
June 13, 2005

Present: Ketcham, Miller, Takacs
Others: Police Chief Fuchs, Controller Hutvagner
Media: Redding Pilot

Mrs. Ketcham called the June 13, 2005 meeting to order at 7:30 pm in the Hearing Room of the Redding Town Office Building.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion: move to Executive Session for a discussion of personnel matters. Miller, Takacs.
Approved. Unanimous.

The meeting recessed at 7:31 pm

RECONVENE

The meeting was reconvened in public session at 8:15 pm

AGENDA ADDITION

Motion: move to add to the agenda a discussion of personnel matters for executive session and possible action on personnel matters following the executive session.. Miller, Takacs. Approved. Unanimous.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion: move to approve minutes of the May 16, 2005 meeting as submitted. Miller, Takacs. Approved. Unanimous.

DISCUSSION OF EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION SYSTEM

Chief Fuchs recommended the Town implement a town-wide emergency notification system to communicate emergency information. Mrs. Ketcham added that the recommendation is the result of the Town's participation in a recently conducted exercise to evaluate emergency preparedness. Chief Fuchs described the plan that involves having a service provider call the town's residents with emergency information. The database consists of listed phone numbers. Residents with unlisted, unpublished phone numbers could register on a volunteer basis and be included in the call list.

A long discussion followed. Mrs. Miller expressed her concerns and asked for additional information regarding the service provider and experience of other towns using this type of system. Chief Fuchs will provide the information. Mrs. Ketcham suggested a formal presentation with a representative of the service provider to answer questions, with an opportunity to gather input from town residents.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON PLANS FOR UNDERGROUND FUEL TANK REMOVAL AND INSTALLATION OF NEW WELLS AT RES & JRMS.

The Board of Selectmen reviewed the report prepared by engineers, Milone and McBroom, who studied the underground fuel tanks and well issues, made recommendations and provided cost estimates.

Eight underground fuel tanks will need to be removed and replaced. These are four at the Town Garage, one at the Police Department, one at the Old Town Hall, one at the old Heritage House, and one at Redding Elementary School. The Board discussed the recommendations and agreed to move the project forward.

Motion: that the Redding Board of Selectmen recommend to the Board of Finance the appropriation of an amount not to exceed \$362,000 for the replacement of eight underground fuel tanks, Town Garage (4), Old Town Hall (1), Police Department (1), old Heritage House (1) & Redding Elementary School (1). Takacs, Miller. Approved. Unanimous.

Under current Department of Public Health, the schools are now required to have two wells. The school administration reached an agreement with DPH to install additional wells at both schools. The project will be under the direction of the school administration. Milone & McBroom provided a recommendation and estimate of cost for the installation.

Motion: that the Redding Board of Selectmen recommend to the Board of Finance the appropriation of an amount not to exceed \$188,000 for the installation of new wells at the Redding Elementary School and John Read Middle School per the mutual agreement between the Department of Public Health and the school administration. Miller, Takacs. Approved. Unanimous.

Pending Board of Finance approval of the motions, the Board of Selectmen scheduled a date for a Town Meeting to present the appropriations for approval.

Motion: that the Redding Board of Selectmen, pending Board of Finance Approval, set a Town Meeting for Monday, July 11, 2005 at 7:30 in the Redding Town Hall to approve the appropriation of \$362,000 for replacement of eight underground fuel tanks and the appropriation of \$188,000 to install two additional wells, one RES and one at JRMS. Miller, Takacs. Approved. Unanimous.

APPOINTMENTS

Motion: move that the Board of Selectmen appoint Joe Macchio to the Board of Assessment Appeals. Takacs, Miller. Approved. Unanimous.

Mrs. Ketcham suggested the board consider the addition of alternates for the Board of Assessment Appeals. This will be discussed further at the next meeting.

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

1. Road drainage and reconstruction project update: Mr. Sanford provided an uupdate on the work being done.
2. Legislative update: Mrs. Ketcham reported the increased municipal portion of the real estate conveyance fees survived and has been extended two years. The legislation required to establish a separate tax district for the Georgetown Land Development project was also approved.
3. CL&P project status: work on Gallows Hill Road continues, with problems being addressed as they come up.
4. Georgetown Parking Advisory Committee Report: Mrs. Ketcham suggested the Board of Selectmen should discuss this at the next meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion: move to executive session to discuss matters pertaining to personnel. Miller, Takacs.

Approved. Unanimous.

The meeting recessed at 10:15 pm

RECONVENE

The Chair reconvened the meeting in public session at 11:15 pm.

No further action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 11:16 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Maday, Recording Secretary