

should be done prior to the listing of the property. It was noted that the Highway Department utilizes the garage for storage.

Caroline Brown from the Historical Society was present. She inquired to the possibility of the Society purchasing the Spiller lot from the Town. She advised that part of the agreement with the Town when the property was purchased was that the Society would have a space in the building constructed on the lot to display artifacts. If the Town sells the property, the Society will not have this option in the future. She is going to propose to the Society that they purchase the Spiller lot from the Town for the principal amount still owed on the loan so it can be discharged. This would secure the property for future use of the property by the Society. She advised that the Society still needs to meet to discuss and vote on this topic however she wanted to approach the Board to see if the Town is interested.

The Selectboard feels this would be a win-win for both entities. The Selectboard advised of the lead and asbestos testing done on the house. No lead was detected however asbestos was found. The report can be viewed at the Town Office. The Board discussed the potential of using the funds remitted for the purchase of the Spiller lot to reduce the amount to be requested from the voters for the Jackson Farm & Forest Project. Caroline will schedule a meeting and get back to the Board before the next Selectboard meeting.

HIRING NEW TREASURER

Dave Adams advised that the Treasurer, Linda Hardy, has given her notice. She is willing to work through the FY'16 audit or anytime thereafter until the end of the calendar year. The Town will need to begin the process of finding a new Treasurer. The Town Charter calls for one member of the Selectboard, two Justices of Peace and two members at large to serve on a Nominating Committee for the hiring process. The Committee will then solicit and interview applicants and make a recommendation to the Selectboard.

Casey Mathieu made a motion to appoint Dave Tilton as a member of the Treasurer Nominating Committee, seconded by Dave Adams. Motion passed: 3-0.

MYERS CONTRACT

Dave Adams met with Jeff and Joe Myers to discuss the dumpsters for the six or seven business located in Westford. Myers prefers to provide the business with totes if they will suit the needs of the business instead of dumpsters. They have found when a dumpster is provided trash and recycling end up in the dumpster. When the totes are provided, the recycling is separated. Myers also agreed to include the cost of the totes or dumpsters in the contract price. The contract was amended and initialed by Dave Adams. Myers has not initialed and returned the amended contract for the Selectboard to sign. Nanette advised that the volume of complaints being received has reduced.

SUMMARY OF JULY 20 REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

Dave Tilton provided a brief summary of the July 20th Regional Planning Commission meeting. Dave T. submitted a verbal request to receive a stipend for being Westford's representative on the Commission. His position requires a travel to and from meetings, which are held at least once per month. He also stated that this may be the last term he fills.

ROAD SCHEDULE

Casey Mathieu made a motion to approve the July 28, 2016 through August 11, 2016 Road Schedule, seconded by Dave Adams. Motion passed: 3-0.

Brent advised that Thomas provided his two week notice. Brent is in the process of reviewing the applications recently submitted in lieu of advertising.

ANNUAL FINANCIAL PLAN FOR TOWN HIGHWAYS

Brent presented the winter and summer financial plan for FY'17. The plan is required every year to help determine if the Town is eligible to receive highway grants.

The Board signed the FY'17 Annual Financial Plan as presented.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE & PAYROLL WARRANTS

The Board approved the accounts payable and payroll warrants.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Board was copied on an email sent to the Sheriff's Office with regard to motorists speeding on the northern end of Route 128.

Dave Adams advised of an email he received from Andre Roy seeking information on the loss of tax revenue if the Town were to purchase the Jackson Farm. The Town is in the process of obtaining this information for Dave A. to provide.

EXCESS WEIGHT PERMIT

The Chair signed an excess weight permit for Courtland Construction Corp.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 8:49 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

David E. Adams, Chair
Selectboard

Nanette Rogers
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