**Selectmen’s Meeting Minutes** **September 10, 2015** **Memorial Hall 7:00 pm**

**Call to Order**: Bob Manners called the meeting to order. Other members present: Joe Judd. Andrew Baker was absent. Also present, Maryellen Cranston, Interim Town Administrator.

**Media Present:** None.

**Acceptance of Minutes:** Joe moved to accept the minutes of August 18 & 24, 2015. Bob seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

**Noteworthy News:**

Bob noted the Shelburne Board of Health will hold a Public Hearing Sept. 15, at 6:15 to discuss adopting new regulations relating to tobacco products including e-cigarettes.

**Department Liaison Reports:**

**Highway Dept.:** Bob reported the department discovered the source of a leak that was flooding the elevator pit at the Cowell Gymnasium and have since repaired the problem.

**Pratt Memorial Building Committee:** Bob reported the roof is nearly complete and the time capsule is ready to be placed. There will be an Open House at the library Oct. 3, from 1 to 3 p.m. There will be a dedication and a power point slide show by Librarian Laurie Wheeler showing the stages of the roof and other repairs that have occurred in recent months. Bob gave high praise to the work that has been done.

**Public Comment:** None.

**Appointments:**

**7:30 - Emily Crehan – Cowell Gym Clothing Program:** Margaret Sheehan of Trinity Church along with Emily Crehan appeared before the board to discuss a trial period of three months to have a space at the Cowell to provide free clothing during the hours the Food Pantry is open. Board members expressed concern about some lack of communication with the project as the space has been readied and a shed delivered to store the clothing. St. Paulie Textile will assist with the program and remove unwanted items at regular scheduled pick-ups.

Following a discussion about the project Joe made a motion to approve use of the space in the Cowell Gymnasium for dispensing free clothing for a trial period of three months ending in November. The board expects an MOU to be created and for a review to take place in November. Bob seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

**Old Business:** .

**MIIA Rewards Grant:** The board is still reviewing ideas and options and will continue the discussion at the next board meeting.

**New Business:**

**CDBG Paperwork – Request to Extend FY13 grant to 12/31/15 and FY15 Contracts:** Joe made a motion to approve the request to extend the CDBG FY13 grant and FY15 contracts to 12/31/15. Bob seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

**FCSWD Hazardous Waste Day/Inspection Paperwork:** Joe made a motion to accept the standard contract and agreement. Bob seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

**Buckland Library Boot Drive:** Joe made a motion to approve the Buckland Library boot Drive Sat. Oct. 3, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the Iron Bridge. Bob seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

**Offer to Purchase 2001 Ford Expedition:** Tabled until next meeting. More information needed.

**Community Compact Program:** FRCOG offers funds to assist with technical assistance, best practices, etc. Maryellen will research and the board will continue the discussion at upcoming meetings.

**Light Bulb Program:** Maryellen will explore the possibility of receiving high efficiency lightbulbs at no cost (one time) for town buildings.

**Letter of Support for Buckland on Pre-K Issue/School Committee Replacement:** Bob will work on a letter of support.

**Resignation of Assistant Assessor:** Assessor Alan Coutinho discussed the resignation of William Barry from the Board of Assessors. Alan stated with the resignation it will be difficult to finish the work that needs to be done to set the FY16 tax rates, forcing the town to potentially need to borrow money. Alan recommended acceptance of an offer made by William to continue as per his contract for 30 to 45 more days to complete the work that needs to be done. The board will discuss further at the next meeting. Joe made a motion to regretfully accept William Barry’s resignation from the Board of Assessors. Bob seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

**Any Other Business:**

None.

**Correspondence:**

**Support for Moonlight Magic:** Joe made a motion to allow closure of Bridge St. from the corner of Main St. to Water St. between the hours of 3 to 10 p.m. Friday, November 27, 2015 for the GSFABA Moonlight Magic Event. The motion also approves the closing the Iron Bridge to traffic from 3:30 to 9:30 p.m. on the same day. Bob seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

**Public Comment:** None.

**Adjournment:** Joe presented a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m. Bob seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Cris Carl