

BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES –December 21, 2009

SUNDERLAND TOWN OFFICES

Present: Mr. Bergeron, Mr. Fydenkevez, Mr. Wissemann

Others: Margaret Nartowicz

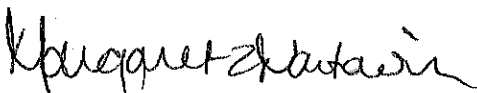
Behind the Camera: Richie Wheeler

- Call to order at 7:14 p.m.
- Mr. Bergeron stated that the Collaborative Working Group has their 1st meeting tonight-Mr. Wissemann to provide report.
- Sunderland Elementary Short Term Note-Herb Sanderson came before the Board to reissue short-term note for Sunderland Elementary School renovation. \$275,226 1-year note at 1.4%. Eastern Bank gave low bid - maturing January 7, 2011. 6 years left on this debt. Motion to sign the \$275,226 note for 1 year at 1.4% by Mr. Wissemann, 2nd by Mr. Fydenkevez. Vote 3-0. Board signed note in presence of Town Clerk.
- Siemens Investment Grade Audit-Roland Butzke was present from Siemens. Mr. Bergeron acknowledged participation by Chase Emmons and Aaron Falbel of the Energy Committee in this process. Mr. Butzke-IGA is underway. Working on details. Looking at specific opportunities for projects to find savings. Town and Siemens will have to decide which projects to proceed with. Team will continue visits week of January 4th. A few weeks after that, some decisions will start being made. By end of Jan. or early Feb. should have pretty clear picture of opportunities. After the new year, will also look at available grant funding and rebate opportunities. This process is coming up with actual numbers based on calculations of energy use, size of space, and weather conditions. Mr. Fydenkevez-Overview of potential savings opportunities. Caution moving forward with changes to Route 116 light fixtures. Discussion regarding mechanisms to proceed with project investigation. Mr. Butzke-Calculations will provide information Town can use to make determinations on projects. Insulation has a good (quick) payback; as does sealing cracks and weather stripping. Financing overview-Options have been tax-exempt municipal lease or bonds. Municipal bonds are much more common. Bond rates are very low. USDA also has financing available. Discussion regarding group to work closely with Siemens on ideas and potential projects, prior to meeting where results are presented. Mr. Fydenkevez-Suggest buy-in early and solicit ideas based on current conditions. Overview-January 4th revisit. Mr. Butzke suggests putting message out now to submit feedback on building conditions. Prepare for Jan 4th: Mr. Butzke to forward Siemens schedule to Town ASAP. Overview of progress in other towns. Discussion regarding energy costs and escalation factors over time.
- Recommendation for FCAT funding-Letter from Sunderland Telecommunications Committee (STC). Overview of STC recommendation by Mr. Bergeron. Mr. Fydenkevez-Board of Selectmen is asking FCAT to look at how they do their budgets and to show how FCAT has progressed. Board has asked them what they need to do the job. Mr. Wissemann-Would like to hear from STC about their recommendation. Mr. Bergeron-Will not support request for 50% of revenues without justification. Mr. Fydenkevez-Board continues to have basic questions for FCAT. Discussion regarding town's obligation to serve its residents, and assessment based justification. Mr. Wissemann-Membership has its privileges. Not quite seeing yet the benefits to Sunderland. Discussion regarding Town's questions and FCAT Board presenting to the BOS in the near future.
- Annual Street List Forms-Town Clerk thank you to volunteers who helped stuff envelopes. Helen Clark, Alice and Dan Fleming, Kay Houle, Pam Parsons and Al and Judy Richards. Mr. Fydenkevez-reminder to complete and send back the form-could affect registered voter status.
- Town Clerk Reminders-elections and voter registration, dog licenses, census forms, etc. Flu clinics have been very successful.
- December 14, 2009 Minutes- Motion to accept the minutes of December 14, 2009 meeting by Mr. Fydenkevez, 2nd by Mr. Wissemann. Vote 3-0.
- Potyrala Cross Road-Ms. Nartowicz is waiting to hear back from Town Counsel regarding liability issues. Mr. Wissemann-There may be a necessity to keep it open - wait to hear from Town Counsel.
- Housing Committee-Motion to appoint Richard Lopatka to Housing Committee by Mr. Wissemann, 2nd by Mr. Fydenkevez. Vote 3-0.

- FY11 Budget Update-Budget hearings to begin early January. Mr. Fydenkevez-Would like room set up as "round table", and ground rules set for free discussions. Should be a forum for all to equally hear information and ask questions. Mr. Bergeron- discussion to work out mechanism for meetings on next BOS agenda. Feedback from Finance Committee in the meantime.
- Collaborative Working Group (CWG)-Mr. Wissemann-First meeting of CWG this evening. Goal is to think outside the box and find ways to become more self-reliant and work together. Next meeting Jan. 11, 5:30pm. Group had good attendance and is off to a good start.
- Alcohol License Operating Hours Extension request-Alcohol license extension of operating hours for New Year's Eve. Mr. Bergeron-Overview of established Town policy. 2 license holders requesting extension of hours. Discussion regarding license approval and request for extension. Mr. Wissemann-Snows LLC license was held up at ABCC. Blue Heron submitted request late and is not in attendance. Mr. Bergeron-Policy is established for a reason. Mr. Fydenkevez-Transparency is important in the process. Motion to allow Blue Heron to close at 1am on New Year's Day. Vote 0-3 (denied). Snowzees' license and request for extension-License has cleared ABCC. Motion to sign license by Mr. Fydenkevez, 2nd by Mr. Wissemann. Vote 3-0. Request for extension of hours read by Clerk, Mr. Wissemann. Mr. Fydenkevez-Business just received license, so would support request within 20 day prescribed period. Closing time will be 2am on New Years Day. Mr. Fydenkevez cautioned that the business adhere to closing procedures, and take responsibility for establishment's operation policy. Mr. Snow-Chief Gilbert is meeting with ownership to review closing procedures. Motion to approve extension of hours to 2am New Years Eve by Mr. Wissemann, 2nd by Mr. Fydenkevez. Vote 2-1.
- Slate of Licenses for Renewal-Snowzees' mailing address is PO Box 392, Sunderland. Mr. Fydenkevez-Bridgeside Grille should have an entertainment license, as there is live entertainment there on occasion. Slate and motion read by Clerk, Mr. Wissemann in category order. Discussion regarding definition of entertainment license. Mr. Fydenkevez concerned with fee per piece of equipment or blanket fee. , 2nd by Mr. Fydenkevez for discussion. Mr. Fydenkevez-Question regarding 7-11 alcohol licenses. Ms. Nartowicz-new owners have begun the application process-no alcoholic beverages can be sold until license is issued. Vote 3-0.
- Special State Election Warrant-Motion to sign warrant by Mr. Wissemann, 2nd by Mr. Fydenkevez. Election will be Tuesday, January 19, 2010 from 7am-8pm to elect US Senator. Vote 3-0.
- Reminders-Town Offices closed 12/24 + 25, 12/31 and 1/1/10. Happy Holidays.
- Warrant and licenses by signature.

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Wissemann, 2nd by Mr. Fydenkevez. Vote 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 9:14 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Margaret Z. Nartowicz
Town Administrator

LICENSE RENEWAL CHECKLIST - Board of Selectmen 2010 Licenses

<u>DATE</u> <u>Review/Approved</u>	<u>LICENSE TYPE</u>	<u>BUSINESS NAME</u>	<u>COMMENTS</u>
	CLASS II	All States Asphalt	approved 12.14.09
		JRS Service	approved 12.14.09
		Roy's Service	approved 12.14.09
	ENTERTAINMENT	Goten of Japan	
		Blue Heron	
		Snowzees	
		<i>Bridgeside Grill</i>	
	COMMON VICTUALLER	Billy's Beverage	
		Blue Heron	
		Bridgeside Grille	
		Bub's BBQ	
		Dimo's	
		Dove's Nest	approved 12.14.09
		Dunkin Donuts	approved 12.14.09
		Frontier Pizza	approved 12.14.09
		Goten of Japan	
		Millstone Market	approved 12.14.09
		Seven Eleven - 283	approved 12.14.09
		Seven Eleven - 668	approved 12.14.09
		Snowzees	
		Smiarowski Farm Stand	approved 12.14.09
		Subway	approved 12.14.09
		Sunderland Corner Store	
		Sugarloaf Frostee	approved 12.14.09
		The Spirit Shoppe	
	ALCOHOL		
		Blue Heron	
		Bridgeside Grille	
		Goten of Japan	
		Dimo's	
		Snowzees	
		Wine/Malt on Premise	
		Bub's BBQ	
		Billy's Beverage	
		The Spirit Shoppe	

