Bethlehem Board of Selectmen
Meeting Minutes
Bethlehem Town Building Meeting Room
November 25, 2013

Present: Chairman Blanchard, Selectman Culver, Selectman Fiorentino, Selectman Laleme, Selectman Glavac.

At 5:32 Chairman Blanchard opened the meeting.

Chairman Blanchard moved to go into non-public session per 91a for personnel. Selectman Laleme seconded. Chairman Blanchard did roll call with all members agreeing to go into non-public session.

The Board discussed personnel and met with potential employees.

At 6:57 Chairman Blanchard moved to come out of non-public session. Selectman Laleme seconded. Carried 5-0.

Dawn Ferringo discussed the Planning/Zoning budget with the Board. She explained the budget has not increased even adding $7500.00 in for the Master Plan.

Dawn also discussed the welfare budget with the Board. The budget went down significantly.

David Pilotte discussed the Country Club budget with the Board. David also submitted a report from the electrician. David said the budget includes the cost for 3 or 4 greens covers.

Selectman Laleme announced that David is retiring.

Brett discussed the Highway budget with the Board. He talked about how he needs to increase his amount for hot top and he also said he would like a warrant article for $25,000.00 for a truck. Brett said he would work up a figure for every road to be repaved every 15 or 20 years. The Board said they would look at the total budget and if there is room they will add more for hot top.

Rhienna discussed the Recreation budget with the Board. Rhienna explained she has been doing some research to determine what is needed for the pool for budgeting. Selectman Laleme praised the job Rhienna has done.

The pool committee came before the Board to discuss what is left to do with the pool. The pool committee reviewed everything that has been done to the pool so far. They said they will need to do some patching in the spring and the paint is being stored for the winter. There was
discussion about ADA compliance with ramp into the kiddie pool, pathway, and ADA bathroom/shower. The pool committee questioned the ADA person that came. Selectman Glavac said it shouldn’t be questioned who Rhienna had come and he doesn’t think they need to have anyone else come. There was discussion about what the committee will be finishing. The committee said they do not feel it is up to them to do the comfort station. Selectman Glavac said the voters voted to get the pool open and now we need to know how to get the pool open. It was determined the Town and not the pool committee would handle the comfort station deck and ramp or pathway, removing the concrete lips in the boys bathroom, ADA bathroom, and connecting ramp into the kiddie pool.

The Board discussed a request from Frank for a TAN advancement of $800,000.00 to cover the upcoming school and county bills. Chairman Blanchard moved to approve the TAN request. Selectman Culver seconded. Carried 5-0.

Selectman Fiorentino moved to nominate Marilyn Johnson to the Local River Management Advisory Committee. Chairman Blanchard seconded. Carried 5-0.

The Board discussed putting a gate up on the right of way on Hazen Road to keep people from going down there and dumping garbage. It was decided to have the police look into it.

The minutes were tabled until next week.

Selectman Culver wanted to clarify as he missed the previous week’s meeting that the Town’s tax rate went down .50cents and the schools increased nearly $2.00 and the Town used $300,000.00 to offset the tax rate. He was told that was correct.

Selectman Culver said the guy who bought the Judo place would like to put a weather station on the roof of the comfort station. Selectman Culver said it would be approx. 2 feet by 3 feet. Selectman Lalame said she would like to see drawing of it first.

Selectman Lalame said Copper Cannon was in for Site Plan Review with the Planning Board and how the Planning Board waived the Site Plan Review. Selectman Lalame would also like to waive their building permit fee as most non-profits have a revenue source and they served underprivileged children and do not receive revenue from them. Selectman Lalame moved to waive the $100.00 building permit fee. Selectman Culver seconded. Carried 5-0.

At 9:07 Chairman Blanchard moved to go into non-public session per 91a for matters of reputation and personnel. Selectman Culver seconded. Chairman Blanchard did roll call with all members agreeing to go into non-public session.

The Board discussed personnel.
At 9:55 Selectman Culver moved to come out of non-public session. Chairman Blanchard seconded. Carried 5-0.

At 9:55 Chairman Blanchard moved to adjourn. Selectman Culver seconded. Carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

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