

**SELECTMEN'S MEETING**  
**Monday, May 23, 2011**  
**UPSTAIRS MEETING ROOM**

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*Meeting was opened at 7:00 PM in the Upstairs Meeting Room. Present were Selectpersons, Mark Fairbrother, Chris Boutwell, Patricia Allen, Town Administrator, Frank Abbondanzio ; Administrative Secretary, Wendy Bogusz; Arn Albertini, Greenfield Recorder (absent), Jeff Tirrell, WHAI, Janel Nockleby, Montague Reporter*

Fairbrother opens the meeting and announces the meeting is being taped

**Approve Minutes of May 17, 2011**

*Boutwell makes the motion to approve the minutes of May 17, 2011. Seconded by Allen, approved unanimously. Allen – Aye, Boutwell – Aye, Fairbrother - Aye*

**Jon Dobosz, Director of Parks & Recreation, Proposal to use parcel of land adjacent to Williams Way as a Community Garden**

Dobosz: Back in April the Parks and Rec Commission was approached by the local Community Garden Group in terms of their interests in utilizing a very small portion of what has now become part of Unity Park which is Williams Way. It is a small area behind Eagle Automotive detached slightly from the entrance of the parking lot to Unity Park. The group wants to utilize that spot temporarily at least for a community garden. The Parks & Rec Commission has a few conditions they would like met and are confident that they will be; the commission did officially approve it. Last week we went to the Con Com with the plans and they didn't seem to have many issues with regards to it either.

Brief discussion about area to be used and if it is paved or not. Fairbrother was under the impression it was going on pavement. Con Com did not have a problem with this.

Ramsey: States it is not paved and suspects it is not a pervious area. They had to meet with Con Com and do an order of conditions as part of mitigation for doing work in the riverfront area. This area is slated to become a restoration area. The community garden would be an interim use until the Unity Park construction begins. The Conservation Commission had no objections as to allowing this to be a community garden for the time being. It is not a violation of the order of conditions.

The plan is there will be raised beds.

Allen feels it is a good use of space

Ramsey: There will not be a real loss of the garden once the construction comes through because there will be more community gardens planned throughout Unity Park. There is a great demand for more gardening space. Want to thank the DPW for cleaning out the area and the debris.

*Allen makes the motion to allow the Community Gardens Committee to use the public space as indicated on the plan, near Williams Way as the Community Garden for \$1.00 per year for the year 2011 and authorize the Chair to sign the document when it is read. As set forth with all the conditions set by the ConCom and the Parks and Recreation. Seconded by Boutwell, approved unanimously. Allen – Aye, Boutwell – Aye, Fairbrother - Aye*

**Robert Trombley, WPCF Superintendent, Approve and Sign Industrial Discharge Permit Renewal, Southworth Company**

Trombley: The Fournier Press is in the building and on the base. The control panels are on, a lot of the conduit is laid. The contract is technically over June 18 at midnight.

Trombley: This is very similar to the one we did for Australis a couple of weeks ago. Some of the changes are similar to the ones we made to the Australis permit. The permits in the program similar to the Town National Pretreatment Discharge Elimination System permit are allowed to have a maximum 5 year renewal period. I am requesting that the Southworth permit be renewed for 5 years from the date of approval by the Selectboard/Sewer Commission. Minor changes to the permit are as follows: More definition to the EPA classification on the top of page 1; Addition of personnel contacts information on page 1; The reduction in the mass (pounds/day) based discharge limit for the industrial pretreatment plant Microstrainers, discharge #1. The parameter affected is total suspended solids (TSS). The average monthly limit of 11,450 lbs/day is reduced to 4,750 and the maximum daily limit of 18,750 lbs/day is reduced to 8,000 lbs/day; see page 8; The semiannual sampling of the domestic discharge, discharge #4, will be discontinued. Added to page 15: Until further notice

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this discharge will no longer be monitored. Should conditions change the nature of the discharge in the future Southworth is to immediately notify the Town for review; effective May 2011.

*Boutwell makes the motion that the board approve permit number #61493 classification code 2621 for Southworth Company, 36 Canal Street, Turners Falls MA. The term of the permit will be 5 years effective immediately with conditions as set forth in the document and authorize chair to sign the document. Seconded by Allen, approved unanimously. Allen – Aye, Boutwell – Aye, Fairbrother - Aye*

*Allen makes the motion to approve the request for Bob Trombley to go to the Managers Forum in Milton at the Milbury Plant for the NPDES Permitting Energy Conservation Pilot Program Data Management Systems. Seconded by Boutwell, approved unanimously. Allen – Aye, Boutwell – Aye, Fairbrother – Aye*

**Frank Abbondanzio, Town Administrators Report**

**Official vote of acceptance of 6 Precinct Boundary Map and Legal Descriptions**

This will be discussed on 6/6/11

**Sign Renewal of Lease of Real Property for Judd Wire, Inc.**

*Boutwell makes the motion to renew the Lease for Judd Wire for the parking lot located off of Sandy Lane for a term of 3 years for \$100 per year. Seconded by Allen approved unanimously. Allen – Aye, Boutwell – Aye, Fairbrother - Aye*

**Greenfield Road Update**

Abbondanzio: The Design acceptance report that got approved in Boston about a month ago has gotten the final sign off from the district engineer so we are ready to go on that and start on completing the design. We've had some discussions with GPI, we've gotten the proposal for the additional work required to finish the design to bring it to 100% and we're hoping that will be done within a 90 day period. We should have a contract agreement for you shortly, the estimate for the cost of the scope of work anticipated is around \$95,000. The idea is one we are in the 100% design the FRCOG will be able to use their allocation for two years to do the work.

**ESCO**

Abbondanzio: Been going back and forth and Siemens has been doing investment grade audits on the town owned school buildings, the highway garage and the treatment plant. Based on the cost of the work at the DPW it would be a very long payback so we are not including that in the first phase. School projects need a lot more work and they are also going onto second phase. Bob Trombley, Siemens and CDM have had some serious discussions about what kind of energy savings are to be realized at the Treatment Plant. The question of whether we could get energy rebates from WMECO and it comes down to timing; whether we go for the rebates from the utility, or use them to supplement whatever savings we can get by implementing the actual work. The project that is actually going forward just includes Town Hall and Carnegie library; the replacement of the boiler and getting heating out to the garage, some lighting in Town Hall and in the Carnegie Library. All the work will only come to about \$340,000, we have grants in place right now for \$305,000 in grant money and will only have to fund \$31,000 for phase one. Phase one needs to be in place by sometime in August. Siemens is in the process of getting together the agreements and Beth Greenblat is reviewing them. It looks like the DPW project has been moved to phase 2 and there has been some discussion with the Capital Improvements Committee about a new building. More info will be coming forward over the summer

**Other**

Allen: We are the only Green Community to have a case study posted on the DOER Green Community web-site

Allen went to look at all the hard hats in Wilson's window today; they are so creative. The hard hat auction will be on June 25<sup>th</sup>.

Dieseling Trains public hearing to be held tomorrow night at the Great Falls Discovery Center. Based on meeting that was held a month ago.

*Boutwell makes the motion to go into Executive Session to consider the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real estate in the Industrial Park at 7:42 PM. Seconded by Allen approved unanimously. Allen – Aye, Boutwell – Aye, Fairbrother - Aye*

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*Allen makes the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 PM. Seconded by Boutwell, approved unanimously. Allen – Aye, Boutwell – Aye, Fairbrother - Aye*