

**TOWN OF CHARLOTTE  
SELECTBOARD  
MINUTES OF MEETING  
JUNE 13, 2005**

**APPROVED MINUTES 06/23/05**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Jennifer Cole, Acting Chairperson; Francis Thornton, Ed Stone.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Eleanor Russell, Charles Russell.

**ADMINISTRATION:** Dean Bloch, Selectboard Assistant.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Josie Leavitt, John Hammer, Charlotte News.

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Ms. Cole, Acting Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**2. ADJUSTMENT TO AGENDA**

None.

**3. PUBLIC DISCUSSION**

None.

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Approval of the minutes was tabled until the next Selectboard meeting.

**5. APPROVE ADDITIONAL PAYROLL FUNDING FOR CHARLOTTE RESCUE SQUAD FOR FY05**

Ms. Leavitt, Charlotte Rescue Squad representative, explained that the Rescue Squad budget was short and would require an additional \$7,000 for the June pay period. Cuts were made to the budget, but the shortfall was not bridged.

**MOTION by Mr. Thornton, seconded by Mr. Stone, to approve additional payroll funding for the Charlotte Rescue Squad for FY05 in the amount of \$7,000.**

**DISCUSSION:**

**Mr. Stone pointed out that the squad was 7 percent over budget.**

**Ms. Cole asked for clarification regarding overtime pay. Ms. Leavitt explained that there would be two new hires starting this pay period and that would eliminate any overtime issues.**

**VOTE: 3 ayes, 2 absent (Ms. Russell and Mr. Russell); motion carried.**

**6. APPROVE REPAIR OF MEMORIAL AT THE CHARLOTTE CENTRAL SCHOOL**

Ms. Cole explained damage to a memorial at the Charlotte Central School. Two businesses were contacted and estimates received. Kuhn Memorials, LTD, examined the memorial and estimated cleaning, repair and replacement at \$650. Jeff Kuhn suggested resurfacing the back of the memorial for use. Bianchi Stone Crafters presented a verbal

estimate of \$500-600 for work to be done in July. Happy Patrick and the Grange were potentially supportive of moving the memorials to one site. Jim Donovan was contacted regarding possible sites. The memorials would be expanded to include all wars from WWI to the present.

There was discussion regarding cost to move the memorials; publishing a story in the Charlotte News to solicit public input; clarifying ownership of the green (Hinsdale or Spear); a suggestion to place the memorials at the Historical Society building until a more permanent location was chosen; and a suggestion to price the repair work and include the addition of names all at once. Mr. Hammer pointed out that the Shelburne-Charlotte Rotary could be a source of funding.

**MOTION by Mr. Stone, seconded by Mr. Thornton, to approve a repair of the memorial at Charlotte Central School for the amount of \$650 as presented.**

**VOTE: 3 ayes, 2 absent (Ms. Russell and Mr. Russell); motion carried.**

Ms. Cole explained that a gate at the Route 7 wildlife park needed repair. An estimate of \$550 was received to widen the entrance an additional 3' for a total width of 18' and place a new post in concrete.

**MOTION by Mr. Thornton, seconded by Mr. Stone, to approve a repair of the gate at the Charlotte Park and Wildlife Refuge for the amount of \$550 as presented.**

**3 ayes, 2 absent (Ms. Russell and Mr. Russell); motion carried.**

#### **7. SELECTBOARD UPDATE/CHAIR'S REPORT**

Ms. Cole reported on an update regarding a Green Mountain Power request to place a 35' tall support pole and guy wire on the park side of the road.

A draft grantor of development rights document was circulated for Board review and comment. The Board would take action on the matter at a future Selectboard meeting. The utility would also need to receive permission from the land grantor. A revised site plan would be forwarded for Town records.

Mr. Stone noted that clean up was needed at an illegal dump on the Poor Farm and on Thompson's Point. Mr. Hammer said that the Chittenden Solid Waste District should have clean-up funding available for dumps that spring up. Mr. Hammer would contact CSWD on 06/14/05 and advise staff regarding potential funding. A letter from the Town requesting an amount not to exceed \$1,000 was required.

Ms. Cole suggested contacting Jim Warden regarding traffic control during the Town Party festivities.

#### **8. BILLS AND WARRANTS**

The Selectboard members signed bills and warrants as presented.

#### **9. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION by Mr. Stone, seconded by Mr. Thornton, to adjourn the meeting.  
VOTE: 3 ayes, 2 absent (Ms. Russell, Mr. Russell); motion carried.**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Kathlyn Furr, Recording Secretary

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