

Board of Selectmen
Special Meeting
Town Hall
April 8, 2008 - 5:00 PM
MINUTES

1.0 Selectman John Bendoraitis called the Special Meeting to order at 5:00 PM. Selectman Russ Blakeslee and Administrative Assistant Mary Ellen Wieczorek were present. First Selectman Joyce Okonuk was absent. Audience: 2

2.0 The J.T. Jr. House Study Committee voted unanimously at their 4/2/08 meeting to recommend the appointment of Cynthia Dias-Reid as the part-time Director of the museum for the 2008 season. Mrs. Dias-Reid was one of 14 applicants and was present to summarize her work experience including Program Development at Old Sturbridge Village, Gallery Interpreter at the Higgins Armory Museum and Curator at the Clara Barton Birthplace Museum. Motion by Blakeslee, seconded by Bendoraitis to hire Cynthia Dias-Reid as a part-time Director for the 2008 season at the J.T. Jr. House Museum at a salary of \$20.00 per hour, maximum of \$5,000.00 for the season, with no benefits; funds to come from the Jonathan Trumbull Jr. House Fund. Vote: yes. Motion carried. The Board thanked Mrs. Dias-Reid for coming to the meeting to provide an opportunity to meet and discuss her experience.

3.0 Motion by Bendoraitis, seconded by Blakeslee to approve the invoice from Eastern Mechanical LLC in the amount of \$215.00 for work done at the Jonathan Trumbull Jr. House, funds to come from the J.T. Jr. House Fund. Vote: yes. Motion carried.

4.0 The Selectmen reviewed the proposal for a high efficiency lighting system upgrade for NU as prepared by ConServ for the Fire Safety Complex (FSC). Lighting estimates of \$17,197.05 are based on review of existing lighting fixtures at the FSC (hall, restrooms, kitchen, police offices, outside, kitchen, closets). The change should result in a projected cost savings of \$2,467.39/yr. CL&P offers \$6,856.68 as their share of the plan, leaving net total cost to customer of \$10,340.37. The Town will enter into a no interest loan for 36 months (monthly payment of \$287.23). Motion by Bendoraitis, seconded by Blakeslee to authorize the First Selectman to enter into a contract with ConServ as per the ConServ Fire Safety Complex proposal, funds to come from FSC Electricity Account #426-410. Vote: Yes. Motion carried.

5.0 The Selectmen asked the Administrative Assistant to contact the bidder awarded the corn at the Solid Waste Facility to clarify his bid and also his bid at the Solid Waste Facility. Additionally, the Selectmen asked the Administrative Assistant to notify the three bidders that the town is seeking bids for the hayable area off Dr. Manning Drive and West Town Street and to advise of the construction area and that there are no specifications on the amount of hayable area. This information will be brought to a future meeting. No further discussion or action.

6.0 Selectman Bendoraitis stated that when the Board appointed Jon Slate as an alternate to the Conservation Commission, the Board neglected to specify a term. Motion by Bendoraitis, seconded by Blakeslee to amend the motion of the April 1, 2008 Selectmen's meeting to appoint Jon Slate as an alternate member of the Conservation Commission for a two-year term to expire April 1, 2010. Vote: yes. Motion carried.

7.0 Motion by Bendoraitis, seconded by Blakeslee to adjourn the meeting at 5:32 PM. Vote: yes. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Ellen Wieczorek
Administrative Assistant
Office of the First Selectman