

## **Minutes September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

A special meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Greenwich was held on September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017 in the Board Room of the Community Center at 6 Academy Street in the Village of Greenwich to discuss the proposed new location for Cumberland Farms and finalize a Fire Department purchase. Present were Mayor Fuller and Trustees Edsforth, Vandewater, and Attorney Kelly. Trustees Brown and Taylor were absent. Mayor Fuller opened the meeting at 7:00PM.

### **Old Business:**

1. The Fire Department invited a representative from Garrison Fire Rescue to present the contract for the new tanker truck for a total cost of \$218,936. The Board had previously approved this purchase, and Mayor Fuller signed the contract. The new truck will be mostly reimbursed by the \$200,000 Betty Little SAM Grant. However, the Village needs buy the truck before getting reimbursed by the grant, so the Village will apply for a callable Statutory Installment Bond for the amount of the truck. A resolution authorizing the issuance of a Statutory Installment Bond in an amount not to exceed \$225,000.00 for the purpose of financing the purchase of a new fire truck for the Village Fire Department was made on a motion by Trustee Vandewater, seconded by Trustee Edsforth, and carried by Mayor Fuller.
2. Cumberland Farms is proposing to move from their current location to a lot further out of the Village to the west of Whalen's Dealership. The proposed location currently has Village water service at the outside rate for a 1" line and meter. Cumberland Farm is requesting an increase to a 2" line and meter, and provide 1" line to a house on Wilson St. who currently does not get Village water service. The reason they are requesting this new service location is because the place they intend to put the septic will be too close to the neighboring residents current well. Cumberland Farms Representative Ross Galway and Scott Shearing of Bohler Engineering attended the meeting to present more detailed plans to the Board. After their presentation, Trustee Vandewater asked whether the engineer had thought about placing the septic underneath the asphalt, as other local businesses have done in the past. Shearing responded that there are many issues to consider with septic location, including soil quality and where the fuel tanks will be located and with all these things in consideration, they had placed the septic in the best location for the lot. Trustee Vandewater noted that it is more costly and difficult to place a septic under a parking lot, but not impossible to be done. Resident Greg Smith asked about the current status of the water supply. Mayor Fuller responded that the results of the latest aquifer study found that the Village aquifer is adequate, but only the wells themselves need reconditioning and eventual replacement. Discussion was had about the requirements the Village will need to fulfill under the Department of Health mandate. Smith also commented that if the Village allows a new service line to a non-village residence that it could be a slippery slope, and more people will be asking for Village water. Trustee Vandewater agreed with that sentiment. Ultimately, Smith does not want to see the growth of the town at the expense of the Village. Supt. Flynn would like to see the water main (which is a dead

end main) extended to the corner of Route 29 and Lincoln Ave and a hydrant installed so that the Main could be flushed periodically. Discussion was had about Cumberland Farms' proposed increase in usage from approximately 29,000 gallons every 4 months to 48,000-72,000 gallons every four months. The Board agreed that a new policy needs to be defined for any new service accounts outside of the Village. Mayor Fuller recommended that this issue be tabled until the October Board meeting when more than three Board members would be present.

**New Business:**

1. After the annual Sanitary Survey, Department of Health representative Maria O'Connell has reissued a new Administrative Tribunal Stipulation Docket #20170735 to the Village of Greenwich with deadlines out to the end of 2019. A resolution to authorize the mayor to sign the new stipulation was made on a motion by Trustee Vandewater, seconded by Trustee Edsforth, and carried by Mayor Fuller.

**Parade Permit**

1. Request from the Greater Greenwich Chamber of Commerce to host the Holiday Lighted Tractor Parade on November 18<sup>th</sup> from 6:00PM to 8:00PM was approved on a motion by Trustee Vandewater, seconded by Trustee Edsforth, and carried by Mayor Fuller.

**Park Permit**

1. Request from Andrea McNeill to use the Mowry Park Gazebo for band practice on Saturday, September 30<sup>th</sup> from 2:00PM to 4:00PM was approved on a motion by Trustee Vandewater, seconded by Trustee Edsforth and carried by Mayor Fuller.

The Board entered into executive session requested by Attorney Kelly to discuss current litigation at 8:18 PM on a motion by Trustee Vandewater, seconded by Trustee Edsforth, and carried by Mayor Fuller. The public meeting resumed at 8:30 PM on a motion by Trustee Vandewater, seconded by Trustee Edsforth, and carried by Mayor Fuller.

Further discussion was had regarding the creation of a water policy for extending water service to non-village residents.

The Meeting was adjourned at 8:45PM on a motion from Trustee Vandewater, seconded by Trustee Edsforth, and carried by Mayor Fuller.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen Prime