

BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
TOWN OF CONWAY, MA  
MINUTES  
January 16, 2007

**Meeting Open: 7:30**

**Present:** Joe Strzegowski, Christina Conklin, Jack Lochhead, Tom Spiro

**Appointments**

**7:30 Housing Committee – Pixie Holbrook, Woody Paparazzo**

The committee reported on investigations about elderly housing. They have met with various town committees. They asked about the potential loss of control the town would experience if a deal was made with the Franklin County Housing Authority. The Selectboard recommended that the committee ask for \$7,500 at town meeting for a feasibility study.

**8:20 Francis Sobieski – interview for Town Accountant position**

He has not done much municipal accounting but does know general accounting. If hired he would need to learn the municipal system.

**Meeting Items**

- § Warrant – as per agenda
- § Approved minutes of 1/8/07
- § Christina moved and Joe seconded a motion to sign the Fournier Forest Cutting Plan. Jack signed the plan
- § Joe raised the issue of a possible law suit by Wes Rowe regarding the Conservation Commission actions
- § Jack asked about farm animal taxes and will investigate the issue with the Assessor's Office
- § In response to the letter from the Board of Health, Tom will ask the Zoning Board to enforce regulations with regard to vehicles at the Culver property
- § In regard to Tom's budget request, Christina argued against a change in title or an increase in time. She asked Tom for a more pro-active approach.
- § Christina researched Chapter 140 regarding licenses for Baker's Country Store. They have licenses for Delivered Packaged Goods for \$10, Common Victuals for \$25 and Delivered Packaged Goods on Sunday for \$25. Does the store need all three. Joe will do some research
- § Paul Mervin has been the 'Town Techie' up to this point. Paul Swem had done some good work in this capacity and is more easily available. It was suggested that Mervin work on the telephone system and the Swem work on the computers.
- § Dedications for the Annual Report will be made to three people. Jack will ask Penny DeGeorge for a blurb on Dot Daley and the Historical Society for Eleanor Manwell. Christina will ask Bob about Chet Gadowski
- § Alessha Erali is the new owner of lots 8 and 9 on map 416. They have a complaint about the Deerfield Water District. Tom has asked the District for their view
- § The locks at Town Hall will be redone on March 1<sup>st</sup> and the new keys will be available on February 15<sup>th</sup>.
- § Tom reported that an Otis Elevator would cost \$45K which seemed low.

**Mail and Other Items**

- § Warrants as per agenda
- § Other mail items as per agenda

**10:50 PM**

**Motion** to adjourn by Christina, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jack, all in favor.