

# WILTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

## MEETING MINUTES

Date: October 27, 2014  
Time: 6:30 P.M.  
Place: Town Office

Present: Chairman William F. Condra, Selectman Kermit R. Williams, and. Recording Secretary Pamela Atwood. Selectman Swanson was absent.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 P.M. by Chairman Condra.

The first item on the agenda was presented by Mr. Chris Owen. He was here to discuss filming at the Recycling Center. He would like to film a documentary showing how things that are worthless can be transformed into something usable. His first documentary is being shown at the Town Hall Theatre. During the filming, it will only be Chris and his camera (and possibly Jesse Salisbury who said she would like to attend). His plan is to be there three to five times for an hour or two each time. He has a wireless microphone to capture real sound, and to use if any of the employees would like to talk to him. Chairman Condra stated that he has no objections to photographing but Mr. Owens should contact Public Works Director Steve Elliott. Steve was in the audience and was asked for his opinion. Steve asked Chris to call him to schedule a time, as he would need to coordinate it with his employees. There was a discussion about release forms. Chris usually does so verbally. Steve asked about the legality of audio taping. Selectman Williams suggested that a written release be used. Chris agreed to provide a form.

Jane Farrell was next on the agenda, scheduled to discuss E-Reg Software. She updated the Selectmen with Election Day information. Discussion focused on Kermit's role as a Selectman during the election since he is on the ballot. Jane offered to talk to the Moderator about it.

Next, Jane told the Selectmen about an issue involving a voter by the name of Jared Cram. Jane gave the history, stating that she has been in contact with the Secretary of State's office about the issue. Jane gave the Cram family's voting history. According to Jane, Jared Cram did not vote in the Presidential Election but he did vote in the State Primary. In Pennsylvania, he voted in the April 24th Presidential Election which is also their municipal election. All three elections were different elections per Jane. Chairman Condra said that he would like all the information on this subject. Jane said that the Secretary of State's office said Jared did not vote here in 2008. It appears that the wrong Cram individual was scanned into the voting system in error. When asked if it had been confirmed or if he had been vindicated, Jane explained that he voted in three State Elections and the other ones in Pennsylvania were not covering the same matters. Kermit said Mr. Cram had become seriously ill and came home to Wilton to recover. Jane said they were not the same elections; just elections in the same calendar year. The Secretary of State asked Jane to show what she had in her records.

The next agenda item was the Library perimeter drainage problem, presented by Library Director Pat Fickett. She explained the serious flooding that occurred last spring. They had filed a claim with the insurance company and the damage was cleaned up. Last week during the heavy rain, water came in again. In four years this is the 3rd time they've had flooding issues. Steve Elliott and Pat looked at the drainage system and Steve has some recommendations. She asked the Board how to get it fixed in a timely manner as it will probably happen again if not fixed. It seems not to connect to the main drain, but runs into the library. Steve recommends getting permanent drains around there. There was a discussion

among the audience members about the existing drainage and possible solutions including perimeter drains. Chairman Condra asked Steve to present a plan for an interim solution with costs using the Highway Department and using outside vendors. He also asked that the Library Trustees pursue a permanent solution and create a warrant article for the Town Meeting.

Charlie McGettigan asked to speak on the drainage system at the Library. He gave some history about it, saying that he believes that the people who put in the sewer system cut off a pipe. If the huge rock on Dale Street had been blown out, then the pipe could have continued without being lifted. He stated that the Selectmen used to get involved in these things. If you spend \$100,000 on a perimeter drain it won't solve the problem; the problem has to be solved on Route 31. Selectman Williams thanked Charlie.

Selectman Williams spoke about the Eagle Scout project that they were asked to approve. Michael Manning of Troop 10 would like to install a "Smokey Bear" fire danger sign at the Fire Station. Chief Dick is fine with the idea. The Selectmen think it's a great idea and a worthwhile project.

Chairman Condra and Selectman Williams agreed to attend a joint meeting with the Budget Committee. This meeting will be held on November 20th at 7:00 P.M.

Next, they talked about the new Wilton website which is being constructed. The Selectmen are in favor of having in-house training as opposed to conference call training. They also think there should be an area where the public can contact the Selectmen by email.

The grant for the Energy Committee was discussed. When Selectman Swanson returns he can handle the paperwork.

Regarding the New Reservoir; Dawn Tuomala will need to reflag it. Pam was asked to get a cost from Dawn, including the previous cost when she did it before. There is no money for reflagging because it was previously flagged. There is no expiration date in the contract so those funds may be able to be encumbered.

The tax rate setting procedure was discussed. The Selectmen will meet to set the rate tomorrow at 3:00 P.M.

Selectman Williams and Chairman Condra will meet with officials from the Town of Temple to discuss perambulation.

A letter will be sent to Mr. Gabel of Maple Street asking him to attend a Selectmen's meeting to discuss his personal property that is on Town owned land.

Chairman Condra showed Selectman Williams a note to the Town Clerk that he had drafted asking for clarification of the positions in her office. Selectman Williams approved of the request.

The Accounts Payable Manifests were approved.

One (1) PSNH Pole License was signed.

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A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 9:25 P.M. was made by Chairman Condra, seconded by Selectman Williams, followed by a vote with all in favor.

Respectfully submitted;

Pamela L. Atwood,

Recording Secretary