

To: General Public
CC: Stanclift Cove
Date: 2/10/2016
Re: Minutes for 10/1/15 Special Meeting

Attendees: Dan Pinton, Penny Miller, Carlene Jerram, Daria Hart, Kim Fiducia, General Public

Called to order at 7:38 PM New Hartford Town Hall

- Minutes of Previous Meeting
 - The minutes were amended to reflect that the motion made by Daria and seconded by Carlene to: review hiring an arborist, not to hire an arborist.
 - Open to discussion
 - Closed discussion
 - Motion to accept the minutes as amended
 - Motion accepted
 - Vote to accept the amended minutes
 - Minutes accepted
- Capital Expenditures – hiring arborist
 - Reviewed opportunity to hire an arborist
 - Board members: discussed following the advice of the MDC. Daria indicated a straw vote was taken and the Board in a split decision had indicated to follow the MDC's view of the tree removal.
 - Don: indicated the insurance liability is on both towns if nothing is done.
 - Carlene: indicated the MDC did not reach out to the Board on their decision to not move forward.
 - Don: indicated insurance may not be approved if nothing is done or not enough is done.
 - Kim: said it is reasonable to acknowledge that an arborist should be hired.
 - Daria: said an arborist is not needed enough experts have stated what needs to be done.
 - Dan: said hiring an arborist would be a good first step to an overall plan.
 - Kim: said let's look at the different phases of the plan
 - Public: This is a good beginning for \$3,200 for the phase I and Phase II review. This is an arborist vs foresters
 - Public: All agreed this is a good beginning plan.
 - Don: felt a very respectable review had already been done by the foresters and the MDC
 - Daria: indicated funds must be set aside for stump removal and continued managing of the trees.
 - Penny: felt the foresters are more than qualified and there is no reason to pay for another report.
 - Daria: suggested we contact the MDC and ask them to reconsider, to take the trees down in stages.
 - Public: we can still take this report to the MDC.
 - Kim: Indicated a desire to move forward on the vote.
 - Carlene: was also concerned about the stumps and to have money set aside for the future.
 - Kim made a motion to move forward with proposing to set funds aside to hire an arborist to review the needs of the cove.
 - Carlene seconded
 - Polling of members and recording of vote:
 - Kim in favor

- Dan in favor
 - Carlene not in favor
 - Penny not in favor
 - Daria not in favor
- The motion failed
- Carlene motioned to contribute to pay for \$1,000 of the fee for an arborist.
- Penny seconded motion
- Daria asked who is picking up the remaining cost
- Don indicated funds can be accepted from any source to help defray costs
- Daria stated she will vote down the motion as the details are unknown. Requested a special meeting to discuss this new motion.
- Daria motioned to table the motion
- Penny seconded motion to table the motion
- Polling of members and recorded vote:
 - Daria in favor
 - Penny in favor
 - Carlene in favor
 - Dan not in favor
 - Kim not in favor

Closing of meeting: 9:05