Selectmen's minutes of meeting Sept. 8, 2014

Members present: Patrick Barrett, Jeffrey Gray, Lisa Blackmer, Steve Harasyko

Members absent: Rosario Messina

Called to order at 7:04 p.m.

Announced that this meeting is being recorded.

Steve provided highway dept. updates. Between the town crew and Tryon they replaced 12 culverts on New Hartford Rd. They are also working on the roadside drainage. They worked on Silverbrook, Fox and the cemetery Road. Roadside mowing continues on Town Hill Rd. They will be grading Wednesday and Thursday Continue to work on pot hole patching to meet the deadline of Sept. 30, 2014. They will be patching on Route 183, Cold Spring and New Hartford Rd. Line painting will be done next week, this is also part of the pot hole patch fund. The guardrails will be done by next week. There is only one company that has the county bid and with the deadline of Sept. 30 everyone is using this company. They will have the work done by Sept. 30.

Motion by Patrick, second by Jeff to appoint Gordon Chapman and Ann Wald to the Strategic Planning Committee.

Motion by Patrick, second by Jeff to accept the letter of resignation from Lisa Leavenworth from the Recreation Committee and to appoint Bethany Perry and Teresa DellaGiustina to the Recreation Committee.

The Selectmen thanked Lisa, she has been a wonderful advocate for the children of our town.

The Selectmen acknowledge the letter received by Moderator John Skrip informing them that he has appointed Donna Newman to the Finance Committee, no action required from the Selectmen.

The Selectmen thanked all for stepping up and filling the positions to all these boards.

Lisa reviewed the upcoming FERC Intervener Status regarding the pipeline. The public hearing will be October 1, 2014 at the Fire Station #2.

Patrick will be making calls to Warren, Markey, Pignatelli, Neal and Downing. They have been taken by surprise by how quickly they are moving forward. Patrick commented that he has asked for an extended comment period.

Reviewed status of Happy Banga.

Discussed creating a cemetery committee to look into creating regulations regarding the cemeteries. Discussed plans for maintenance. Steve Harasyko reviewed that he has already contacted a company to supply a quote for repair of the road at the Sandisfield

Center Cemetery. Discussed the cutting of the trees in front of the cemetery. Discussed painting the fence at the Route 183 cemetery.

Lisa will contact Benny Campetti, Barbara Cormier regarding the cemetery committee.

Ron Pachulski questioned why the dump exit gate was left open on Aug. 28, 2014 from 6:30 to 7:30. No one was inside the gate.

Discussed items that need attention at the transfer station. A telephone land line, more lighting in the winter months, battery canisters and florescent bulbs.

Steve will contact Berkshire Engineering on the plans for the layout of the transfer station.

Patrick would like follow up on the repairs to the men's room at the Town Hall Annex.

Donna Newman asked about the progress of the roof repair at the Town Hall Annex, Jeff responded that he is working on it.

Mail reviewed
Warrants reviewed and signed
Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.
Patrick Barrett
Jeffrey Gray