

Selectboard Meeting

Cole Hall, Shaftsbury, VT

May 28, 2009

Present: Lon McClintock (Chair), Cinda Morse, Karen Mellinger, Wynn Metcalfe, Bill Pennebaker

Absent: None

Chairman McClintock called the meeting to order at 5:05 PM.

Ms. Mellinger made a motion to go into executive session to discuss personnel issues. Motion was seconded by Ms. Morse and passed 5-0-0.

At one point the Selectboard came out of executive session briefly to discuss a letter from the North Bennington Treasurer requesting payment of North Bennington's share of a prebate rebate that Shaftsbury apparently received. Chairman McClintock has placed the question on hold until we hear from the State. The issue is apparently quite complex and may take some time to resolve. Executive session then resumed.

At 6:10 the Selectboard came out of executive session. Ms. Mellinger made a motion to offer the position of Town Administrator to Margy Becker, the salary to be \$41,600 and to include all normal benefits accorded town employees including family-plan health insurance and three weeks vacation. Chairman McClintock is authorized to negotiate terms, subject to final approval by the board. The motion was seconded by Cinda Morse, and after all members were polled and expressed approval, the motion passed 5-0-0.

Mr. Metcalfe made a suggestion that the Town Administrator's and Lister's offices be interchanged in order to improve communication between different branches of the Town government. Mr. Pennebaker asked if there was enough room for all of the Lister's files and maps in the present Administrator's office, and Chairman McClintock raised a concern about personnel files being kept in an unlocked office. No action was taken.

A question was raised about the official record of appointments and the timely notification of the appointees. Chairman McClintock stated that letters were sent to all appointees. It was suggested that a list of the appointments made at the last meeting be added to the minutes for that meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:52 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

W. Pennebaker