

TOWN OF DANBURY - Board of Selectmen

Visitors

Marie Pelletier of Lake Sunapee Bank, Judie Mackay, Trustee of Trust Funds, and Linda Higbee, library trustee came to discuss the current situation for the town trust funds and capital reserve funds since the purchase of the bank by Bar Harbor Bank and Trust. Because Bar Harbor Bank is not a NH state chartered bank, these municipal reserve funds cannot be deposited there. Marie stated that losing these municipal deposits is a struggle for the bank, but anything they can do to help, they will do. The bank can continue to hold general funds. They are in the process of becoming a federally chartered bank but that process could take awhile. The bank will waive any penalties to close accounts and does not recommend waiting until a CD comes due. There are banks in New London that could be used as well as TD Bank and Franklin Savings Bank in Bristol. Judie stated that Charter Trust, a sister bank of LSB, is not really an option for the town because the fees are considerable. The town has approximately \$125,000 in reserve accounts.

Gary Jones and Lorraine Wason, Danbury Community Center

Gary and Lorraine wanted to know when the DCC lease expires. Jim believes it expires at the beginning of next year. Gary said there are issues with the building that they cannot address, such as the roof and the furnace.

Jim has addressed the issue of the windows rotting with Richard Hill who said he could repair it by replacing the rotted sills. He will also put up a deflector so that the water from the entry roof does not all fall on the windows. If the windows need to be replaced, they will be replaced. Jim will ask Dick about it again and if he cannot do the work, the Board will find someone who can do it.

Lorraine said there have been rumors that the Police Department would be moving into the Community Center when the lease expires. All the Board members assured her that the subject has never been discussed by the Board of Selectmen.

The Selectmen would still like to have a public community forum to have a discussion about the needs of the town as it relates to the Danbury Community Center. Gary stated that the survey sent out by the DCC had only a 7% response rate which is not really representative of the town.

Some of the successful events held are the fall festival and the Easter event. These events are not money makers but they serve the community and are well attended. The turkey raffle is a successful money making event. The food pantry, the card parties, bone builders, the community wide yard sale and the secret Santa are all successful programs offered by the DCC.

The center is installing a new electric sign. Seth Offen will be replacing the sign, offering his labor at no charge to run the wires and conduit.

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- Kurt Gufstason came in to pick up a building permit application for the Anthony Evangelista property in Echo Glen. He stated that the camper, and the storage on the property is temporary.
- The Eversource pole attachment application was received. The flags were not done last year. While the Fire Department is willing to put them up, they do not want to be responsible for maintaining them if there are any issues. Jim will contact Ruby Hill, as she initiated the idea of the flags several years ago.
- Karen asked if she could contact Bliss Yard Maintenance to take care of the mowing at the Town Hall. Brandon Bliss had estimated the cost at \$35 to mow around the building and trim between the two parking lots. The Board gave approval for
- this.

FYI

- Merton Austin reappointment Forest Fire Warden
- McCabe abatement denial letter
- May property sales
- Legislative Bulletin
- Floodplain training

The Personnel Policy revision will be worked on at a later date.

At 7:30 Jim made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Jessica. Motion carried and meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted Karen Padgett, Administrative Assistant