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stalled at the Town Office and used in the event of an emergency.

The Board decided to send correspondence to the *Beacon* applauding its fine coverage of the issues discussed at Town Meeting.

The Board approved sign permit applications from Jay Boynton and Jim Emerson and denied one from Green Crow Corporation.

The Board approved the annual renewal of Walt Locke's junkyard permit.

The Board signed two Current Use Change Tax warrants.

The Board approved Proctor's use of the Blackwater Park ball field for the girl's softball team, conditioned upon them coordinating the schedule with the Town's Little League teams.

The Board approved the request from the Recycle Committee to conduct another Swap Shop event at the Transfer Station on May 13. The Board also decided that future events may be held without the Board's prior approval, conditioned upon there being no problems reported.

Stetson reported that the Recycle Committee has set June 1 as the date to start mandatory recycling. The Committee intends to initiate an advertising campaign to inform residents.

Stetson also reported that a check has been received from Frank Cochrane in settlement of the court-ordered restitution for damages he caused to Monticello Drive last year. He also

noted that, according to the registry of deeds, Cochrane has sold his house.

The Board decided to initiate at a future meeting a review of the descriptions of all Town roads.

April 3

Condensed from approved minutes

Present: Chairman Dennis Fenton, Selectmen Roger Godwin and Andrew Guptill, Town Administrator Mark Stetson

The Board opened the two bids received for maintenance of the cemeteries, beach, and Town Office grounds. Bill Farrington, the low bidder, was awarded the job.

The Board elected Fenton to serve another year as chairman. The Board decided that Godwin would remain the ex-officio member for the Planning Board and that Guptill would remain ex-officio to the Budget Committee.

Road Agent John Thompson reported that the hedge on Maple Street that was the subject of discussion at Town Meeting has been trimmed. He will provide photos at the next meeting for the Board to view to determine if the hedge, as it currently appears, is satisfactory.

Thompson also reported that the crushing operation is complete and that approximately 6,200 yards of gravel has been put up along with quantities of stone for erosion control. He reported that the Volvo dealer has committed to dropping off soon a grader for the Town to try out. He plans to schedule similar tryouts with the John Deere and Caterpillar dealers.

Discussion regarding the current

equipment rental rates followed, with the Board committing to including the issue on the next meeting agenda.

Forest Fire Warden Stephen Barton then presented a bill for the time that fire fighters recently spent battling an outside fire in Webster.

The Board then met with State Representative Jim Danforth, who briefed the Board on the latest draft of the state's 10-Year Transportation Improvement Plan. He told the Board that there has been some talk at the Department of Transportation about removing the bridge over Depot Street at the Routes 4 and 11 split. More information will be forthcoming.

Danforth also told the Board that the improvement planned for Route 4 to alleviate regular flooding problems near the town line is scheduled to be completed in 2012 and that he understands that the work on Route 11 near Cemetery Corner is still on for this year.

Old Business

After reviewing and discussing information compiled by Godwin, the Board determined that the overwhelming evidence clearly shows that Park Street ends approximately 112 feet east of the Labonte/Meier property line. This point is short of where Zoning Board of Adjustment applicants, Mr. and Ms. Thomas, argued it to be. The Board also decided to deny the request of Mr. and Ms. Thomas for the issuance of a building permit on a private road due to safety concerns.

New Business

The Board approved the reappointment of Katherine Stearns and Susan Schnare to positions on the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

The Board approved an application for Current Use for property on Switch Road.

After reviewing each, the Board approved processing of two Intents to Excavate. Approval of a third was denied as the Board opined that the excavation

on that site has now met or exceeded the scope of the original permit.

The Board approved leases for two docks on town-owned property on Highland Lake.

Stetson relayed the gist of a request from an owner of property off of Kearsarge Mountain Road to park a camping trailer on the property and to use it seasonally. The Board directed the owner to seek approvals following the appropriate planning and zoning process.

The Board decided to review and better define the location of each town road, using GIS technology, and to include in that definition the terminus of each dead end and also the transition point of any road that changes classification.

The Board decided, as a first step in the process of revising the building permit application process, to solicit comment from Planning and Zoning Board members and also to review forms and procedures from neighboring towns.

The Board then met with Bob Ward and Peter Zak from the Conservation Commission and Beth McGuinn from the Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust (ASLPT) to discuss progress on establishing a conservation easement for the Hersey properties.

Ward explained that the Conservation Commission has decided to recommend using some of the conservation funds for completing a survey as well as preliminary and formal final appraisals of all of the property. As previously agreed, the Commission is seeking concurrence from the Selectmen.

McGuinn told the Board that ASLPT will be submitting an application for a Farmland Protection Grant for 50% of the cost of the actual easement through the US Department of Agriculture, Farm Bureau. Twenty-five percent of the cost of the easement will be donated by the Hersey family, and the remaining 25% will be raised by ASLPT through donations.

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