

SELECTBOARD MEETING            MARCH 19, 2003            7:30 P.M.

DUMMERSTON LIQUOR COMMISSION            8:36 P.M.

DUMMERSTON CEMETERY COMMISSION            8:51 P.M.

The Dummerston Selectboard meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM at the Town Office in Dummerston Center, Vermont. The Dummerston Liquor Commission and the Dummerston Cemetery Commission were also called to order at the Town Office in Dummerston Center, Vermont.

Members Present: Shorty Forrett, Vice-Chairman; Lester Dunklee, Clerk; Jack Manix.

Also Present: Dummerston Fire Chief Allen Pike, Dummerston Emergency Management Director Larry Lynch, Road Foreman Wayne Emery, Judy Davidson and Beverly Knapp.

A motion was made and passed to approve the minutes of March 5<sup>th</sup> and to pay Warrants 19 & 19P.

Allen and Larry discussed the evacuation plan for Dummerston: the revised plan with changes has not been received yet; as soon as it is available it will be compared to suggestions that have been made. Additional personnel and officers are needed for two shifts; it is important to make sure personnel will stay if there is an emergency. Notification routes were practiced which took about an hour; the time should have been 45 minutes. Dummerston will have to prove one route on April 8<sup>th</sup>. Extra personnel and equipment is needed. The Selectboard needs to decide when to open the EOC office when natural disasters occur-local officials have local control. Shorty noted that two new telephone lines have been installed upstairs for the EOC; the fax machine presently in the Town Office belongs to EOC and will be moved upstairs. Janice will take care of purchasing a new fax machine for the Town Office and check with Kevin Ryan.

A motion was made and passed to purchase a fax machine with copier and scanner.

The Town has received a statement from Brattleboro Veterinary Clinic showing a balance for the care and cremation of a cat. The Town had already paid for the rabies testing of the animal, but does not have any ordinance regarding care of cats. Put this statement on hold for now.

A motion was made to appoint the Brattleboro Reformer and the Town Crier as Dummerston's Official newspapers, and stating that the meeting of the Dummerston Selectboard is scheduled for every other Wednesday at 7:30 PM at the Dummerston Town Office, unless otherwise advertised.

Motions were made to: sign the Certificate closing the 2002 Grand List Book; sign the Dog Warrant and a Trailer Park License for Amy Dews.

Paul has indicated that he spoke with the Ker-Westerlund Funeral Home re cremation expenses for Gary Clement. The Town has no funds allocated to take care of funeral expenses of people who died indigent. They accepted Paul's explanation with regret and stated that they would try to collect from the estate.

Correspondence: A letter dated March 7, 2003 has been received from Vermont Emergency Management in response to our letter dated February 24, 2003 regarding evacuation plans and other issues. Emergency Management is addressing concerns and will work to address all of these issues. A letter dated March 10, 2003 has been received from Chuck Fish regarding information on putting articles on the Australian Ballot.

Wayne reported that the highway department has been patching roads and addressing areas with mud problems. Selectboard Meeting adjourned 8:35 PM.

The Dummerston Liquor Commission was called to order at 8:36 PM. A motion was made and passed to sign a: 2003 Second Class Liquor License for Dwight Miller & Sons Orchards; Second Class Liquor License for Mike & Terry's Exit #4 Store; Second Class Liquor License for Dummerston Neighbors; a First Class Cabaret License for Rainbow Cattle Company. Tobacco licenses for Mike & Terry's and Dummerston Neighbors will be reviewed at the next Board meeting. The Dummerston Liquor Commission adjourned at 8:50 PM.

The Dummerston Cemetery Commission was called to order at 8:51 PM. A motion was made and passed to place an ad in the paper requesting bids for mowing and cleaning all town cemeteries, town common and town office. Frequency and specifications to be determined by the Selectboard. Bids must be returned by April 8, 2003. Cemetery Commission adjourned at 9 PM.

Approved \_\_\_\_\_

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Sylvio L. Forrett, Vice-Chairman

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Lester L. Dunklee, Clerk

Minutes: Beverly Knapp  
Administrative Assistant