

SELECTBOARD MEETING MAY 28, 2003 7:30 P.M.

This meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM at the Town Office in Dummerston Center, Vermont.

Members Present: Paul Normandeau, Chairman; Shorty Forrett, Vice-Chairman; Lester Dunklee, Clerk; Jack Manix and Cindy Jerome.

Also Present: David Thurber, Springfield Paving Co.; Jim Marold, Lane Construction; Steve Goldsmith, RERP Emergency Planning Zone Planner; Larry Lynch, Emergency Director; residents Jeff and Ruth Unsicker, Road Foreman Wayne Emery and Beverly Knapp.

A motion was made and passed to approve the minutes of May14th and to pay Warrants 24 & 24P.

Retreatment bids were opened:

Springfield Paving	\$38.39 per ton
Whitcomb Construction	40.52 “ “
Lane Construction	39.45 “ “
Warner Brothers	49.15 “ “
Bazin Brothers	39.90 “ “

A motion was made and passed to award the retreatment bid to Springfield Paving.

A bid in the amount of \$3500 has been received from Chris R. Lowe for roadside mowing in Dummerston. A motion was made and passed to award this bid to Chris Lowe.

Steve Goldsmith from Emergency Management stated that he was meeting with all Selectboards and reviewing information and answering questions regarding the Response Plan. It is very important that people feel that the plan will work; it covers all emergency response, not just radiological response. Camp Grounds, school evacuations, Day Care Centers are concerns. Cindy said they we need to know that the school evacuations will work; Steve will send us a copy of the Laidlaw Bus Co. plan when the plan is written and finalized. We need to have a live drill. Jeff and Ruth Unsicker are concerned with “assumptions”. Ruth is appreciative of all the Selectboard has done.

Wayne: the concrete pad for the generator is all set. The highway department has been crushing and hauling stone. Wayne also discussed the trim board on the covered bridge being damaged by the boom on Tim Newell’s wrecker truck. The Selectboard agreed that it is OK for Tim to repair the damage himself; Wayne will oversee.

Wayne asked that two items be added to the "To Do" list: add weight limit permits to the traffic ordinance and review roads that are private drives.

A proposal of \$18,000 has been received from Renaud Brothers, Inc. to repair damage done to the covered bridge caused by a three car accident on April 27, 2003. A property loss report will be sent to Vermont League of Cities and Towns for insurance purposes.

An e mail has been received from Eesha Williams asking for an announcement board to be located near the Town Office. The Board did not make a decision at this meeting; Jack will obtain more information. Plans will go to Windham Regional for a historic compliance review regarding the handicap ramp and bathroom at the Community Center.

A motion was made and passed to sign an Agreement between Windham Regional Commission and Town of Newfane and Dummerston for Management of Home Improvement Revolving Loan Fund Projects. This will be forwarded to Newfane for their signature; new requests have been received and technical assistance is needed for the loans.

The annual road tour will be on June 22nd at 8:30 AM; Board members will meet at the Town Garage. Paul had a request from Bill and MaryLou Schmidt asking if they could place a log across the trailed area at their property as drivers have been going through there. The Board declined the request. Judy Davidson asked that the towns get together and request that the governor come down so they can discuss with him why he signed off with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission regarding Vermont Yankee when the towns had not approved Emergency Management Plans. Cindy said we should focus on our workable plan at the present time and the Board agreed.

A motion was made and passed to sign a Petition for Pole and Wire Locations (#9AAF2V) to be located on Tucker Reed Road. The Board recessed at 9:30 PM to enter into Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter. Executive session adjourned at 9:45 PM; no action was taken.

The regular Board meeting adjourned at 10 PM.

Approved _____

Paul E. Normandeau, Chairman

Lester L. Dunklee, Clerk

Minutes: Beverly Knapp, Administrative Assistant