

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: Em Richards, West River Watershed Coordinator; Matt Mann from Windham Regional Commission; Road Foreman Wayne Emery; Auditors Barbara Gilmore, Maria Glabach and Jean Newell; Beverly Knapp.

A motion was made and passed to approve the minutes of August 6th and to pay Warrants 4 & 4P.

Em Richards discussed the area by the covered bridge; there is grant money available to address erosion problems and create an easier access to the river. An educational kiosk will be placed there this fall with information and history of the covered bridge; the other side of the kiosk may be used as a town bulletin board. Funds must be used by the end of June 2004. Em will meet with the Dummerston Conservation Commission and share and obtain information from them as to what suggestions/plans they may have. "Adopt A Swimming Hole" was discussed-this would need volunteers to clean up the beach, maintain the kiosk, do surveys and report any safety issues. Matt Mann noted that the deed for this area from VT TRANS to the Town should be finalized by the end of September or beginning of October and will be reviewed by the Town. An action plan is needed from the Town; a site visit with the Conservation Commission needs to be done to discuss design and needs.

Camp Arden Road Project: Paul and Shorty met with Mike Renaud and Thad Betts; everything has been coordinated with state agencies and is all set to go. Residents that will be affected by temporary closing of a section of the road will be given a schedule and letter stating dates and times.

Wayne reported that the highway department has spent a lot of time on Old Ferry Road due to heavy rains and washouts. They have flushed the culvert several times and hope it will clear itself now. They have been spot scraping, fixing wash-outs and working on the culvert inventory. A road inventory will also be needed. More information must be obtained to address repairs to the crusher. Jean Momaney is very concerned about the continual mess at the recycling bins on Route 30 at Dummerston Neighbors. Jack asked Wayne to make sure a trip to the recycling bins is done every week.

The auditors discussed budget deadlines and timely reports when they do the Town Report next year. Last year they had only three weeks to review the information and had to call various commissions for their reports. The auditors are not going to state that they verify all receipts, disbursements and balances in the report as they are not able to do this. They will verify that they have compiled the town report to the best of their ability. The Board thanked them for their time and effort.

Cindy will call Albie Lewis, Vermont Emergency Director, asking for a response to our letter of June 6, 2003 noting our concerns with the Emergency Response Plan.

A Municipal Impact Response form has been submitted to the town regarding changes to the Cyriil Z. Meadows Institute. Paul withdrew from any decisions on this but asked the rest of the Board to visit the site and review information before signing the Response form. This will be done at the next Board meeting.

A motion was made and passed to sign a Certificate for the 2003 Grand List Book deleting the listing for Lane Construction and correcting the square footage for property owned by Stephen Space.

The Board entered into Executive Session at 9:45 to discuss a personnel matter. No decision was made. Meeting adjourned 9:55 PM.

Approved _____

Paul E. Normandeau, Chairman

Lester L. Dunklee, Clerk

Minutes: Beverly Knapp
Administrative Assistant