

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: Lew Sorenson, Bill Jacques, Shirley Perkins, John Wilcox, Mark Kracum, David Dunn from Rescue, Inc., Road Foreman Wayne Emery, Beverly Knapp.

A motion was made and passed to sign and approve the corrected minutes of September 15, 2004 and the minutes of September 29th and to pay Warrants 8 & 8P.

Lew Sorenson spoke to the Board regarding Brattleboro Senior Meals, Inc., (BSM) noting this is a new nonprofit Food Service organization that assumes the responsibility of preparing and distributing meals at the Brattleboro Senior Center in Brattleboro. High quality meals are prepared and home-delivered to accommodate senior citizens in the community. This transition took effect as of October 1, 2004; there is only three employees and about 100 volunteers. BSM will be asking for a monetary contribution from the Town; Cindy advised this should be done by petition. The Council on Aging is still in effect and has a very important role. When their funding is cut by the Town it substantially lowers the funds that the Council has available to pursue their important programs. Volunteers are always needed.

Sand bids were opened:

Zaluzny Excavating Corp:	
9/16" winter sand delivered	\$8.49 per cubic yard
Cersosimo Industries, Inc.:	
9/16" & 3/8" winter sand delivered:	\$8.50 per cubic yard
" " winter sand FOB	\$4.75 per cubic yard

A motion was made and passed to accept the bid from Zaluzny Excavating Corp. for \$8.49 per cubic yard delivered.

Rescue representative David Dunn supplied the Selectboard with statistics on volumes and types of calls and costs made by Rescue to Dummerston. He explained there would be a large increase in request for funding; call volume is estimated to increase between 6% and 10% over the next 5 years.

Wayne reviewed a curb cut permit for Eliot Ferguson on Middle Road with the Board. Wayne will ask that stakes show the location of the driveway. Visibility is a concern. There is a problem with a culvert at the Bob Sprague residence on Houghton Road, but the Board and Wayne agreed that this should be addressed by the property owner, not the Town. Wayne will submit a draft of a winter operations plan at the next Board meeting for the Board's review.

FEMA reviewed roads with Wayne-most have been fixed and are as good as they were originally before storm damage. \$54,800 is the approximate amount of money spent for repairs which includes use of Town and hired equipment, material and payroll. Reimbursement from FEMA may be a little more than this amount as this may not be the final cost.

Mark Kracum, a ham operator, has offered to assist Vermont Emergency Management with emergency calls. He can contact other ham operators to help. He informed the Board that if they need help with this to just let him know.

Meeting adjourned 9:05 PM.

Approved _____

Paul E. Normandeau, Chairman

Lester L. Dunklee, Clerk

Minutes: Beverly Knapp, Administrative Assistant