

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

Members Present: Board Chair Cindy Jerome; Clerk Kevin Ryan, Shorty Forrett, and Tom Bodett

Absent: Vice Chair Paul Normandeau

Also Present: Kendall Gifford, Lester Dunklee, Town Clerk Pam McFadden, Road Foreman Wayne Emery, Administrative Assistant Linda McCulloch, Phil Rollins, Beverly Wright, Anna Piergentili, and WSWMD Representative Ron Wright

Shorty moved that the Board approve the minutes of the March 30, 2005 meeting and Warrants 21 and 21P. Tom seconded and the motion passed.

Road Foreman Wayne Emery reported that the Town will be responsible for a berm at the Park and Ride Project on Route 30. Our equipment has been removed from the Moore gravel pit. A pre-bid inspection meeting has been set for April 20, 2005 at the Canoe Brook Road project site. Wayne has drafted a letter and copied the documents that will be sent to the six or seven contractors. Cindy added that a Special Meeting will be called on May 4, 2005 to receive the bids and that the bid will be awarded at the May 11, 2005 regular meeting.

The Board recognized prospective Rec Board appointees Phil Rollins, Beverly Wright, and Anna Piergentili and each of them spoke briefly about their desire to be on the Rec Board. Tom made a motion that all three be appointed to the Rec Board. Shorty seconded and the motion passed.

Kendall Gifford reported that the Community Center project has already experienced some cost overruns. He outlined their nature and said that some contingency money was included in the grant application, though not enough to cover the overruns. There is not yet an accurate dollar figure on the costs. Shorty moved that the Board authorize the work to continue, Kevin seconded, and the motion passed.

Ron Wright had faxed some information to Paul earlier this evening but as Paul is absent, no information had arrived. Ron said it was financial information from Windham Solid Waste Management showing good news.

Cindy had attended a meeting at the Covered Bridge and informed the Board of Dan Snow's idea to insert limestone lengthwise and on edge into the bank, fill the "V" with stone, and use them as steps. The project at this point could be completed with existing resources and volunteers. Wayne asked that the Board consider removing an Oak tree and possibly two other trees that lean toward the access.

Alan McBean has asked Assistant Town Clerk Laurie Frechette to be his Acting Zoning Administrator. Kevin moved and Shorty seconded that the Board appoint Laurie Frechette Acting Zoning Administrator as recommended by Alan McBean. The motion passed.

Cindy and Kevin had attended a Selectboard Forum at which improper use of e-mails was discussed. The Board may not use e-mails either to make decisions or to progress toward decisions; it is a violation of the Open Meeting Law. E-mails may be sent to communicate.

Cemetery bids were opened from Howe's Lawn Care, Andy's Home Care, and Roy Johnson. Shorty moved and Tom seconded that the bid be awarded to Howe's Lawn Care. The motion passed.

On April 27th Steve Goldsmith and Phyllis Alberici from the local Emergency Planning Office will attend the meeting.

May 11th Shirley Perkins from the Council on Aging and Dummerston Cares will be present. Also on May 11th the Board will award the Canoe Brook Project bid and discuss the Town Plan. Cindy asked that members be prepared to discuss the Town Plan by knowing what actions are the responsibility of the Selectboard.

At 8:53pm Shorty moved that the Board enter Executive Session to discuss a Real Estate matter. Kevin seconded and the motion passed.

The Board returned to regular session at 9:44pm and no action was taken. There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:45pm.

Approved

Cindy Jerome, Chair

Kevin Ryan, Clerk

Minutes: Linda McCulloch, Administrative Assistant