

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

Members Present: Vice Chair Paul Normandeau, Clerk Kevin Ryan, Tom Bodett, and Shorty Forrett

Absent: Chair Cindy Jerome

Also Present: Eesha Williams, Road Foreman Wayne Emery, Bob Stevens from Stevens and Associates, Mike Perrigo from Howard Fairfield, Pete Potvin from Tenco New England, Andrew Ragouzeos from the Brattleboro Reformer, and Administrative Assistant Linda McCulloch

The meeting was called to order at 7:30pm by Vice Chairman Paul Normandeau.

On a motion from Kevin and a second from Tom, the Board unanimously approved the minutes of June 22, 2005 and June 30, 2005 as well as Warrants 26A, 1, and 1P.

Paul opened bids on the truck equipment as follows:

Tenco New England	\$31,802	Option 1	\$5, 145
L & B	\$39,482	Option 1	\$5,895
Howard Fairfield	\$34,100	Option 1	\$5,100

Paul opened five bids on the new truck:

	Bid	Trade Allowance
J & B International	\$69,738	?
McDevitt (Sterling)	\$66,344	\$17,000
McDevitt (Mack)	\$57,355	\$17,000
McDevitt (Peterbilt)	\$89,900	?
L & B	\$68,771	\$18,000

Road Foreman Wayne Emery will analyze each bid and make a recommendation to the Board at the next meeting.

The Board recognized Eesha Williams who is interested in creating a public swimming area in Dummerston either at the end of Old Ferry Road or at the end of Dummerston Station Road. The Old Ferry Road site would involve collaboration with Brattleboro since the access there is across the town line. The Dummerston Station Road access is owned by Ellis Derrig. A floating dock would be necessary since neither site has a beach. Eesha has spoken to numerous officials in both Vermont and New Hampshire and will continue to research the possibilities.

Bob Stevens presented his firm's proposal for the design and environmental permitting for the new Dummerston-Putney gravel pit. He explained his assumptions, procedural steps, and a

timeline. Copies of the proposal were distributed to each Board member and several copies were available for Putney Board members.

Road Foreman Wayne Emery reported that he will attend a meeting on July 12th sponsored by Allstate Asphalt. He recently had to purchase two new tires for the backhoe. Wayne recommends that the underground cable from the Town Highway Garage to the Town Office be above ground for approximately 120 feet down the steep hill. It would run from a telephone pole at the top of the bank to a second telephone pole behind the office building.

Tom moved and Shorty seconded approval of the Hazard Communication Policy presented at the last meeting and revised for this meeting. The motion passed.

The Board reviewed correspondence which included: a memorandum from Licensing and Enforcement regarding gambling on licensed premises; Fiscal Year 2006 Education Tax Rates from the Vt. Dept. of Taxes; a copy of a letter from SVE to Paula Baker regarding cutting trees for the Canoe Brook Road project; a copy of a June 20th letter from Fisher and Fisher to the Vt. Environmental Court regarding the appeal of Jenness and Berrie; and a notification letter from LEPC regarding resource lists.

The Board directed Linda to write to the State Buildings and General Services requesting the renewal of the Town's lease of the building formerly known as the Regional Library.

Shorty moved and Tom seconded the placing of a recycle bin from Planet Aid for clothing and shoes at the Town Highway Garage on a trial basis. The motion passed.

The Board opened a proposal from Southern Vermont Engineering for the design and environmental permitting of the new Dummerston-Putney gravel pit. They briefly compared it to the one from Stevens and Associates and noted that one is still expected from a third engineering firm.

Shorty presented two proposals for wording for a plaque for the Covered Bridge. Copies were distributed to each Board member to ponder for a decision to be made at the next meeting.

The Board signed the Vt. Property Tax Return from CVPS to the Town of Dummerston. On a motion from Shorty and a second from Tom, the Board authorized Paul to sign the Easement from the Town of Dummerston to CVPS. The motion passed.

Paul reported receiving a complaint that people using the Deyo swimming hole on the West River were parking inappropriately on private lawns. Paul spoke to Lt. Anderson from the Brattleboro Barracks of the State Police who may be able to address the issue.

There being no further discussion to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:30pm.

Approved: _____

Paul Normandeau, Vice Chairman

Kevin Ryan, Clerk

Minutes: Linda McCulloch, Administrative Assistant