

SELECTBOARD MINUTES

July 29, 2009

This meeting was called to order at 7:00pm at the Dummerston Town Office in Dummerston, Vermont.

Members Present: Chair Andrew MacFarland, Tom Bodett, Greg Brown, Wayne Emery and Zeke Goodband

Also Present: David Baker, Lee Chamberlin, Amy Dews, Jean Newell, Brian Siano from Lane Construction, and Laurie Frechette

On a motion by Zeke and second from Wayne, the Board voted 5-0 to approve the minutes from July 15 & 24, along with the payment of Warrants 3, 3P & CC-1. Wayne moved to approve the payment of RB-1 with the stipulation that the receipts be received before the check is issued. Zeke seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

The Board recognized David Baker who asked what type of feedback on the proposed Town Plan revisions would be most helpful in making their decision. They asked him to summarize his comments for each section.

Road Foreman, Lee Chamberlin recommended that the Board award the paving bid to Springfield Paving at \$67.76 per ton. Tom moved to accept their bid. Wayne seconded the motion; it passed 5-0.

Lee is not pursuing the Act 250 change in the gravel pit operating hours at this time. The Development Review Board (DRB) will conduct their two-year review of their issued permit for the gravel pit at their August 18th hearing.

The new dump truck has been received and is working well. The road crew is currently working on the drainage project at the intersection of Miller Road and East-West Road.

Tom spoke to the Board about the Structures Grant for repairs to the covered bridge decking. He presented the Board with two letters of intent for grants from the Transportation Enhancement Program. On a motion from Zeke and second by Greg, the Board voted 5-0 to sign the letters.

Andrew presented Lee with two awards for completing the Roads Scholar Levels I and II that he earned through the VT Local Roads Program.

The Board reviewed the second draft of guidelines for grants from the Miller Fund. Greg will make the suggested changes and bring it back to the next meeting for final approval.

Amy Dews briefly spoke to the Board about the upcoming school year.

The Board reviewed and discussed a letter received from Mary Ellen Britt regarding traffic issues on Route 5. Andrew will contact the Sheriff's Department and request more coverage in that area.

The Board reviewed an invitation from VT Emergency Management to attend budget hearings on August 20, September 16 & 30.

On a motion from Wayne and second by Tom, the Board approved 5-0 a request from the Recreation Board to authorize a \$75 use of the debit card for gas card purchases.

The Board reviewed a letter from Alan Mihlstin on Canoe Brook Road regarding the proposed revisions to the Town Plan.

Greg moved to approve the letter endorsing the Windham Housing Trust's application for VT Community Development Program funding. Wayne seconded the motion; it passed 5-0.

The Board will hold a public hearing on the proposed Town Plan revisions on August 26th at 7PM at the Community Center. Their regular meeting will begin at 6:30PM.

On a motion by Wayne and second from Greg, the Board voted 5-0 to sign the Certificate of Change in the 2009 Grand List.

On a motion by Tom and second from Wayne, the Board voted 5-0 to sign a Letter of Agreement for Computer Appraisal Services from the VT Department of Taxes.

On a motion by Wayne and second from Zeke, the Board voted 5-0 to sign the final accounting for the 2009 RERP grant.

On a motion by Wayne and second from Zeke, the Board voted 5-0 to enter Executive Session at 8:31pm to discuss pending legal action.

The Board ended Executive Session at 8:40pm with no action taken.

With no other business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:41pm.

Approved

Andrew MacFarland, Chairman

Wayne Emery, Clerk

Submitted by: Laurie Frechette, Selectboard Assistant