

## UNAPPROVED

### SELECTBOARD MINUTES

October 21, 2009

This meeting was called to order at 7:00pm at the Evening Star Grange in Dummerston, Vermont.

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

Not Present: Tom Bodett

Also Present: Elizabeth Catlin, Steve Mindel, Regina Rockefeller & Bob Wainwright from the Planning Commission, Ruth Barton, Bruce Berg, Debbie Brookes, Ken Carpenter, Lee Chamberlin (at 9pm), Michelle Cherrier, Eugene Ferrara, Skip Fletcher, Maria & Steve Glabach, Michelle, Steve & Zack Grover, Stan Howe, Barbara & Tom Johnson, Alan McBean, Steven Meggiolaro, Jean Newell, Paul Normandeau, Lew Sorenson, Robert Taylor, Albert Wood and Laurie Frechette

On a motion from Wayne and second by Zeke, the Board voted 4-0 to approve the meeting minutes from October 7th and the payment of Warrants 9, 9P & RB4.

Michelle Cherrier, Dummerston's representative to the Windham Solid Waste Management District (WSWMD), gave an overview of the district's consideration of several different operating options. Zeke commended Michelle on her active participation and representation of Dummerston.

The Board recognized Stan Howe from Entergy VT Yankee, who presented his proposal to replace the lights in the covered bridge through VT Yankee's community service program. This project will be done at no cost to the town. Greg moved to ask Stan to proceed with the project and use test lighting on a few options and meet with the Energy Committee. Wayne seconded the motion; it passed 4-0.

Before opening discussion on the Working Landscape section of the Town Plan, Andrew clarified that the Board did not approve the 1 unit per 27 acres action plan at the previous meeting. The revised language will be presented at the November 18<sup>th</sup> meeting. There was discussion of the language in the plan from those attending. Paul Normandeau spoke about agri-tourism and some potential issues if the property is located in a residential area. Steve Glabach asked to have maple sugaring operations recognized in this section.

The Board received a request from Melissa Worden to change the wording in the section describing the Lydia Taft Pratt Library and agreed to correct the language in the plan.

The Board briefly reviewed a letter from Tom Bodett along with a copy of his letter to Tom & Barbara Johnson regarding the land use section of the Town Plan.

The remaining topics in the revised Town Plan will be discussed at the November 4<sup>th</sup> meeting. The Board will prepare the final document to send back to the Planning Commission at their November 18<sup>th</sup> meeting.

The Board reviewed a request from Matt Mann at the Windham Regional Commission to create a list of bridges needing repairs. Lew Sorenson spoke about changes in the state's long-term prioritization of bridges needing work. Lee will come up with a list to submit to Matt in the next few weeks.

Andrew reported on the October 20<sup>th</sup> Development Review Board hearing on the Carpenter Gravel Pit. It was questioned whether Clark Road is actually a Class 3 or 4 road. Laurie was asked to look in the original roads book for clarification.

On a motion from Zeke and second by Greg, the Board approved 4-0 a request from the Green Mountain Mummers to perform on the Town Common on Sunday, November 1<sup>st</sup> at noon.

On a motion from Greg and second by Wayne, the Board voted 4-0 to appoint Mark Brown as the 2010 Green Up Day coordinator.

The Board reviewed the paperwork for an \$80,000 grant anticipation note with Merchants Bank. The interest rate is 1.46%. On a motion from Wayne and second by Zeke, the Board voted 4-0 to sign the application.

The Board discussed the formation of a Social Services Advisory Committee to review the requests for funding received by the town from area social service agencies. Greg moved to create a committee of not more than ten volunteers and to appoint them at the next meeting. Zeke seconded the motion; it passed 4-0.

With no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:30pm.

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Approved

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Andrew MacFarland, Chairman

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Wayne Emery, Clerk

Submitted by: Laurie Frechette, Selectboard Assistant