

UNAPPROVED

SELECTBOARD MINUTES

March 24, 2010

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

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

Also Present: Mark Brown, Lee Chamberlin, Harold Newell

On a motion from Zeke and second by Tom, the Board voted 5-0 to approve the meeting minutes from March 10th, as well as the payment of Warrants 20 & 20P.

The Board recognized Harold Newell, one of the trustees of the Baptist Church in West Dummerston Village, who requested permission from the Board to erect a fence at the Baptist Church cemetery. Zeke moved to grant permission to the Baptist Church for installation of a fence on the south wall with two gates. Greg seconded the motion; it passed 5-0.

Harold also reported that one of the large maple trees along the cemetery appears to be in bad shape. The Board feels that Tree Warden, Charlie Richardson should be consulted before any action is taken. Zeke agreed to contact Charlie Richardson.

Green-Up Day Chairman, Mark Brown spoke to the Board about the upcoming Green-Up Day on May 1st.

Road Foreman, Lee Chamberlin presented his report to the Board. The Tucker Reed Road bridge project is moving along.

The Board reviewed a request from a property owner on Wickopee Hill Road to have the speed limit decreased from 35 mph to 25 mph. After some discussion, the Board decided not pursue the change at this time.

On a motion from Wayne and second by Greg, the Board voted 5-0 to sign two highway structures grant applications; for work to be done on Waterman Road and Stickney Brook Road.

On a motion from Wayne and second by Zeke, the Board voted 5-0 to sign a Petition for Pole & Wire Locations on Ryan Road from CVPS.

On a motion by Tom and second by Wayne, the Board voted 5-0 to endorse the letter of support that Tom had written in support of Sovernet's fiber network project.

There was no update on the Dummerston/Newfane town line.

The Board began to update their list of goals for FY 2011.

Tom and Zeke will meet with two members of the Planning Commission at 5pm on April 6th to interview the candidate for a vacancy on the Planning Commission.

On a motion by Wayne and second by Greg, the Board voted 5-0 to appoint the following town officers:

Melanie Chamberlin Recreation Board (1 year)
Layla Lewis Recreation Board (1 year)
Anna Piergentili Recreation Board (1 year)
Larry Lynch, Sr. Assistant Emergency Management Director

Appointments of Town Health Officer, Windham Regional Commission representatives, and Council on Aging Representative will be placed on next meeting's agenda.

The Board reviewed correspondence regarding the ongoing issues with the water situation at the trailer park on Route 5.

At 6:30pm on April 7th, Andrew and Zeke will meet with representatives of the Housing Advisory Commission to conduct interviews with the applicants for vacancies on that Commission.

The Board discussed the current zoning fees. On a motion by Tom and second by Greg, the Board voted 5-0 to reduce the application fee to create an accessory apartment to \$5 (plus the \$10 recording fee). On a motion by Greg and second by Tom, the Board also voted 5-0 to reduce the application fee to build an accessory structure to be used as an apartment to \$10 (plus the \$10 recording fee).

On a motion by Greg and second by Zeke, the Board voted 5-0 to grant a request from the Marlboro Morris Ale dancers to perform in Dummerston on May 30th.

Tom moved to proclaim May 1st as Silver Star Banner Day in Dummerston. Wayne seconded the motion; it passed 5-0.

The Board approved a request from Delinquent Tax Collector, Pam McFadden to retain legal assistance for a tax sale on three parcels on May 13, 2010. They also approved a request to retain legal assistance to begin the process for another tax sale on a single parcel on May 20, 2010.

With no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45pm.

Approved

Andrew MacFarland, Chair

Wayne Emery, Clerk

Submitted by: Wayne Emery, Clerk