

UNAPPROVED

SELECTBOARD MINUTES

February 23, 2011

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

Members Present: Chair Andrew MacFarland, Greg Brown & Zeke Goodband

Absent: Tom Bodett and Wayne Emery

Also Present: Lee Chamberlin, Mark Whitaker, Lewis White, Jerelyn Wilson & Laurie Frechette

On a motion from Zeke and second by Greg, the Board voted 3-0 to approve the meeting minutes from February 9th, along with the payment of Warrants 17 & 17P.

Road Foreman, Lee Chamberlin presented his report. He is trying out a new environmentally-friendly road salt alternative, which will hopefully also be more economical for the Town.

Lee thanked Andrew for all of his support over the past four years.

Andrew reported on the recent meeting with Stevens & Associates regarding the Renaud Gravel Pit. Lee stated his belief that test borings should be repeated as they were done quite some time ago.

On a motion by Zeke and second by Greg, the Board voted 3-0 to sign the Grant Agreement #EH0035 for the Covered Bridge Transportation Enhancement project.

The Board met with Jerelyn Wilson to discuss her interest in joining the Energy Committee. She has been attending meeting since the Committee's inception and would now like to become an official member. On a motion by Zeke and second by Greg, the Board voted 3-0 to appoint her to the Energy Committee (term to expire in March 2012).

Zeke moved to accept Elizabeth Catlin's letter of resignation from the Planning Commission (effective March 1st) with regret. Greg seconded the motion; it passed 3-0.

A letter of interest was received from Annamarie Pluhar to serve on the Planning Commission.

The Board agreed to have the two vacancies on the Planning Commission posted on the Town's website, with a deadline of March 8th for letters of interest.

The Open Meeting Law informational session has been scheduled for Thursday, March 24th at 6:30pm (location to be announced).

Greg reported that a preliminary draft of the Purchase & Sales Agreement with the State of VT has been received for the purchase of the former Regional Library Building and is currently being reviewed by the Town Attorney.

On a motion by Greg and second by Zeke, the Board approved 3-0 the Energy Committee's VT Energy Climate Action Network grant application.

On a motion by Greg and second by Zeke, the Board voted 3-0 to appoint Sam Farwell to the Planning Commission to fill the vacancy created by Corin Nelsen's resignation (term to expire in March 2013).

On a motion by Zeke and second by Greg, the Board voted 3-0 to appoint Stan Howe to the Energy Committee, to fill the vacancy created by Suzanne Weinberg's resignation (term to expire in March 2013).

Andrew spoke to the Board about the draft Reclamation Agreement with SB Land Partnership for their gravel pit on Winter Bell Drive. Laurie will add the suggested changes; the Board will discuss it further at their March 9th meeting.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:32pm.

Approved

Zeke Goodband

Greg Brown

Submitted by: Laurie Frechette, Selectboard Assistant