

UNAPPROVED

Selectboard Minutes

April 20, 2011

Members Present: Tom Bodett, Lewis White, Greg Brown, Zeke Goodband, and via Skype, Bill Holiday

Also Present: Charlotte Annis, Pam McFadden, Gail Sorenson, Atty. Bob Fisher, Chris Garofolo

The meeting was called to order at 7pm at the Town Office in Dummerston. On a motion by Greg with second from Lewis, the minutes from April 6th and 13th and Warrants 21 and 21P were approved with no revisions on a 5-0 vote. Charlotte, as Zoning Administrator, informed the Board of zoning violations still outstanding at the Colonel's Cabin. Pam let the Board know the current status of the Cabin's delinquent tax payments. Attorney Bob Fisher explained the legal options available to the Town regarding zoning and taxes. After some discussion it was decided that Charlotte will investigate what measures are being taken to sell the property.

Greg updated the Board on the status of the Regional Library. A tentative and perhaps optimistic closing is set for May 31.

Under the Highway Report, the Renaud Gravel Pit archeological survey will soon commence.

Progress is being made on repairs to the Green Iron Bridge with the possibility of being open to traffic in June. With this bridge reopening, repairs to the wingwalls of the Covered bridge can move forward.

On a motion from Lewis and second from Greg, the Board voted 5-0 to sign the State's Bridge Inspection report.

On a motion from Lewis and second from Greg, the Board voted 5-0 to approve two new poles to be set by Fairpoint on Houghton Brook Rd and West St.

Two bids were received and opened for the roadside mowing contract, the bids will be reviewed and the contract awarded at the May 4th meeting.

Under Correspondence for Discussion or Action, the Board voted 5-0 on a motion from Lewis, second from Zeke, to appoint Bill Holiday to the Health and Safety Committee.

The Board briefly discussed the possible new requirement for towns to have a Municipal Records Officer. If this comes to pass, Pam McFadden has expressed a willingness to assume this duty.

Under Unfinished Business, the Reappointment Procedure drafted by Greg was discussed and approved 5-0 on a motion by Zeke with a second coming from Greg.

The Board voted 5-0 to appoint Rick Davis the Emergency Management Director on a motion from Lewis, second from Greg.

Amanda McCulloch was appointed to the Social Services Advisory Board by a 5-0 vote after a motion from Greg, second from Lewis.

The Board voted 5-0 to adopt the 2011-2012 Goals on a motion from Greg, second from Zeke.

Greg will send out the Facility Rental models for review and the Board will take this up at the May 4th meeting.

Revisions to the REEP will be discussed at the May 18th meeting with the new EMD.

Gail Sorenson let the Board know there was still an opening on the Social Services Advisory Board.

Under New Business Zeke informed the Board that a complaint had been received that person was staying in the barn at 270 West St. This property is under a Health Order from the Town. After some discussion it was agreed that Zeke will contact the State Police to look into this matter.

On a motion from Lewis, second from Greg, the Board voted 5-0 to go into Executive Session at 8:45 to discuss appointments to the Planning Commission. The Board left Executive Session on a 5-0 vote after a motion from Greg, second Zeke, at 9:52.

On a motion from Greg, second by Zeke, the Board voted 5-0 to appoint Rich Cogliano based on his experience working with state agencies, grant writing and interest in land use planning.

On a motion from Bill, second from Greg the Board voted to appoint Bill Schmidt on a 3-2 vote. (Tom, Greg & Bill voting for, Lewis & Zeke voting no) His appointment was based on experience and skill in planning and grants.

On a motion from Greg, second Bill, the Board voted 5-0 to appoint Annamarie Pluhar. Her professional skills and background in facilitation were considered key assets.

On a motion from Greg, second Bill, the Board voted 5-0 to reappoint Cindy Wilcox based on her experience as a professional planner and member of the Dummerston Planning Commission.

There being no other business to come before the Board, on a motion from Greg, second by Zeke, the meeting adjourned at 10:01 on a 5-0 vote.

Approved

Tom Bodett, Chair

Zeke Goodband, Clerk

Submitted by: Zeke Goodband, Clerk