

# UNAPPROVED

## SELECTBOARD MINUTES

June 29, 2011

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

Members Present: Chair Tom Bodett, Greg Brown, Zeke Goodband, Bill Holiday, Lewis White

Also Present: Charlotte Annis, Annie Guion, Jean & Harold Newell, Dan Normandeau, Paul Normandeau, Gail & Lew Sorenson, Laurie Frechette

On a motion from Zeke and second by Bill, the Board voted 5-0 to approve the meeting minutes from June 15<sup>th</sup> and the payment of Warrants 26 & 26P.

The Board recognized Annie Guion from the Windham County Humane Society who spoke about the services that her organization provides to the town. She also commended Zeke on his fine work as Dummerston's Animal Control Officer. On a motion by Greg and second by Bill, the Board voted 5-0 to sign the 2011-2012 contract with the Humane Society.

Discussion ensued regarding an Interim Zoning Bylaw. Paul Normandeau expressed his concern that zoning was being changed to accommodate a single property owner. The Board assured him this was not the case. Dan Normandeau spoke of his desire to have the proper process followed. At 7:50pm, Zeke recused himself and left the table to speak as a private citizen.

Greg moved to table any action until at least one public informational session is held on a proposed Interim Zoning Bylaw. Lewis seconded the motion; it passed 4-0. Zeke rejoined the table at 8:37pm.

The Board reviewed emails from Ed Anthes regarding Dutton Pines State Park. Zeke questioned whether Ed was speaking for the Town in negotiating with the State on Dutton Pines. Gail Sorenson suggested that the Selectboard forward his correspondence to the Recreation Board, Historical Society and Conservation Commission and ask that they get together and submit a plan of action to the Selectboard.

The Board reviewed a letter dated June 27<sup>th</sup> from the SE VT Learning Collaborative Board of Directors regarding the escalating legal fees connected with the pending purchase of the former Regional Library property. Jean Newell questioned the Board's decision to pay the attorney's fees; minutes from a previous meeting state that the Town will not be liable for any legal fees associated with this sale/purchase.

Discussion of the June 23<sup>rd</sup> email from David Tansey regarding the "widening" of Kipling Road was tabled until the July 13<sup>th</sup> meeting when the Road Foreman can be present.

Tom reported that the agreement for the Renaud Gravel Pit is currently being reviewed by Mike Renaud and his attorney.

There was no update on the Covered Bridge Wing wall Project.

On a motion by Greg and second by Bill, the Board voted 4-0 (Zeke abstained) to appoint Dana Aquadro and William Johnson to the Conservation Commission for four year terms. The Board will ask Diana Lischer-Goodband to serve as a liaison between the Energy Committee and the Conservation Commission.

On a motion by Greg and second from Zeke, the Board voted 5-0 to approve the new Town Road and Bridge Standards.

Bill reported on the recent Health and Safety Committee meeting. This committee will be meeting more regularly and will involve more town department members.

The Board reviewed and approved a letter to be sent to Art Phaneuf regarding his vicious dogs.

On a motion by Zeke and second by Lewis, the Board authorized Laurie to spend up to \$700 on the purchase of a new computer.

The Board will meet at 5pm on July 6<sup>th</sup> to set the 2011 tax rate.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:38pm.

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Approved

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Tom Bodett, Chair

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Zeke Goodband, Clerk

Submitted by: Laurie Frechette, Selectboard Assistant