

UNAPPROVED

SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES

July 10, 2013

This meeting was called to order by Chair, Zeke Goodband at 6:14pm at the Town Offices in Dummerston, Vermont.

Members present: Joe Cook, Steve Glabach, Zeke Goodband, Lewis White

Not present: Bill Holiday

Also present: Mike Faher from *Brattleboro Reformer*, Maria Glabach, Eva Greene, Rich Melanson from BCTV, Gail Sorenson, Mark Whitaker, Laurie Frechette

On a motion by Steve and second by Lewis, the Board voted 4-0 to approve the meeting minutes of June 26th. On a motion by Steve and second by Joe, the Board voted 3-0 (Lewis abstained) to approve the meeting minutes of June 27th. On a motion by Lewis and second by Joe (Steve abstained), the Board voted 3-0 to approve the meeting minutes of July 8th.

Steve moved to authorize the payment of Warrants 1, 1P and EC1. Joe seconded the motion. Lewis expressed his frustration with the large invoice from the Windham County Sheriff's Department and offered an amendment to withhold authorization on that payment until the Board can meet with Sheriff Clark. This amendment was approved 4-0. Lewis offered a second amendment to withhold payment to Screenmobile for the new screen installed on the front door of the Town Office until Zeke speaks with the proprietor. This amendment was approved 4-0. The above warrants were then approved for payment as amended by a 4-0 vote.

The Board recognized Mark Whitaker, who asked Joe Cook to recuse himself from any future discussions/actions pertaining to the West River Trail, since he made a financial contribution to this committee in the past. He also commented on Joe's recent letter to the Editor of the Reformer, speaking in favor of the Trail, without it being approved by the entire Board before its submission. Joe denied that any conflict exists because of his prior donation to the Friends of the West River Trail, and refused to apologize for his support of the trail.

There was no Road Foreman's report.

Correspondence for information included: Zoning Administrator's Quarterly Report; letter from Zoning Administrator to Jack Hutchins re: DRB decision on pool/deck; preliminary letter from VT ANR to Jonathan & Lindsey Royce for new home on Moon Hollow Drive; emails between Joe Cook & Diana Wahle/John Warren re: West River Trail; various emails re: taxation on solar systems; email from Eesha Williams re: Library.

On a motion by Lewis and second by Steve, the Board voted 4-0 to approve and sign the 2013-2014 contract with the Windham County Humane Society.

The Board will discuss the FY2014 Sheriff's Department contract with Sheriff Clark when he attends their meeting.

Lewis moved to appoint Steve Jarosak to fill the vacancy on the Development Review Board created by Lew Sorenson's resignation. This is the remaining one year of a three-year term (to expire in March 2014). Included in his motion was to appoint Marty Forrett to a one-year

alternate term on the DRB (term to expire in March 2014). Steve seconded the motion; it passed 4-0.

Zeke moved to appoint Eva Greene to an alternate position on the DRB. Joe seconded the motion. The vote was 2-2 (motion defeated). The second alternate position remains open at this time.

Lewis moved to appoint Maria Glabach to fill the vacancy on the Planning Commission created by Steve Glabach's resignation. This is the remaining one year of a four-year term (to expire in March 2014). Steve recused himself and left the room. Joe seconded the motion; it passed 3-0 (Steve abstained).

Steve rejoined the Board at the table.

The appointment to the Energy Committee was tabled until a future meeting.

On a motion by Lewis and second by Steve, the Board approved the changes to the 2013 Grand List as submitted by the Board of Listers.

There being no other business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:50pm.

Approved

Zeke Goodband, Chair

Lewis White, Vice-Chair

Submitted by: Laurie Frechette, Selectboard Assistant