

UNAPPROVED

SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES

August 6, 2014

This meeting was called to order by Zeke Goodband at 6:00pm at the Town Offices in Dummerston, Vermont.

Members present: Joe Cook, Zeke Goodband, Gurudharm Khalsa, Lewis White

Not present: Steve Glabach

Also present: BCTV, Janet Avery, Lee Chamberlin, Terry Chapman, Michelle Cherrier, Mike Faher from *Brattleboro Reformer*, Laurie Frechette, Beverly Kenney, Susan Kern, Kelly McCue, Pam McFadden, Jean Newell, David Patriquinm, Kevin Ryan, Gail Sorenson, Claudia Teachman, Jerelyn Wilson

Lewis moved to approve the minutes of June 30th. Joe seconded the motion; it passed 3-0 (Gurudharm abstained). Joe moved to approve the minutes of July 23rd. Gurudharm seconded the motion. Kelly McCue asked to have the minutes amended to include, "Zeke indicated that he will meet with representatives of Renaud Gravel to discuss Alan McBean's letter." Her request was accepted and the minutes were approved 3-0 (Lewis abstained). Approval of the June 25th & July 9th meeting minutes were tabled until the August 20th meeting.

On a motion by Lewis and second by Joe, the Board voted 4-0 to approve the payment of Warrants 3, 3P, Conservation Commission #1 and Cemetery Fund #1.

Town Clerk, Pam McFadden addressed the group regarding the new Open Meeting Law and the corresponding requirements for posting agendas and meeting minutes. All Town boards, commissions and committees are subject to these new laws. Agendas must be finalized and posted at least 48 hours prior to the meeting. Minutes must be available and posted within five days of the meeting. Agendas and minutes must be posted to the municipal website within these time limits. The Board agreed that the official posting places in Dummerston will be: the Town Office; the Post Office in West Dummerston, and the Elementary School. The Town will purchase a sandwich board to be used at the school during the summer. Laurie offered to post agendas and minutes to the website, providing they are sent to her in a timely fashion. A big thank you to Kevin Ryan for agreeing to set up the website formats to make Laurie's life easier!

The Board recognized Michelle Cherrier, who updated them on recent activities at the Windham Solid Waste Management District. She will keep the Board informed by emails between her visits in person.

Jean Newell thanked the Board and Road Foreman, Lee Chamberlin for the new sign at the east end of the covered bridge. She also asked the Board about the status of the questionnaire on the possibility of having the annual Town Report made available electronically instead of printed (or both).

Kelly McCue thanked Lee for the speedy response to her email about the "washing out" of a portion of Carpenter Road.

Lee reported that the new one-ton truck has come in. Everything went OK with the MSHA inspection at the Renaud Gravel Pit last week. The paving project has been completed on Middle

Road. The white fog lines will be painted soon. The State will be painting the yellow center lines, hopefully later this month. The highway crew's uniform contract is up in mid-September. Lee will get a few quotes before that time. The Quarry Road project will hopefully begin in early September.

Correspondence for information included: Wastewater System Permit #WW24703 for Donald Wood on Wickopee Hill Rd.; 7/24 DRB decision for Steven Tavella on Wickopee Hill Rd.; Act 250 information for Allard Lumber Company on Old Ferry Rd.

No action was taken on a letter received from Sigrid Pickering re: the West River Trail and Rice Farm Road. This item will be placed on the 8/20 agenda. The Zoning Administrator, property owners, and Friends of the West River Trail will be invited to attend this meeting.

The Board reviewed another email from Eesha William regarding traffic on Middle Road. Zeke will contact the Sheriff's Dept. and ask them to patrol this area and to place the speed cart at that site.

Claudia Teachman and Kelly McCue spoke of their ongoing concerns about the Renaud Gravel Pits.

There being no other business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:32pm.

Approved

Zeke Goodband, Chair

Joe Cook, Clerk

Submitted by: Laurie Frechette, Selectboard Assistant