

## UNAPPROVED

### SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES

January 7, 2015

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

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

Also present: BCTV, Michelle Cherrier (at 6:30pm), Mike Faher, Laurie Frechette, Dick Virkstis, Whit Wheeler

On a motion by Joe and second from Gurudharm, the Board voted 5-0 to approve the minutes from December 10th, 17th & 30th.

On a motion by Steve and second from Joe, the Board voted 5-0 to approve the payment of Warrants 14, 14P and Cemetery Fund #2.

The Board recognized Dick Virkstis, who spoke at length of his concerns about speeding traffic in town, especially on the East-West Road. He would like a 25 mph speed limit from the Center to at least Partridge Road, if not all the way to Route 5. He would also like an additional sign on the hill between the Center and his home to remind drivers of the 25 mph limit. It was agreed that more traffic monitoring by the Sheriff's Dept. and the State Police may be warranted. Steve agreed to contact them. In the spring, the Board will contact Matt Mann at Windham Regional to request that traffic counters be placed in this area.

Correspondence for Review included: DRB 2-year review of Renaud Gravel Pit; Act 250 application for Dummerston Historical Society.

The Board recognized Michelle Cherrier, Dummerston's representative to the Windham Solid Waste Management District (WSWMD). Discussion ensued regarding WSWMD's proposed budget for FY 2016. Michelle wants to vote yes on the budget. However, the majority of the Selectboard asked her to vote no on the proposed budget at tomorrow night's meeting.

A letter was received from the VT Tax Department regarding the new Co-efficient of Dispersion (COD) of 8.96% and the Common Level of Appraisal (CLA) of 103.12%.

A letter was received from the Learning Collaborative regarding a potential donation to the Fire Dept.

An invitation was received from the Windham Regional Commission to participate in a new Wastewater & Water Advisory Committee. Sam Farwell has agreed to be a participant; Gurudharm will contact him to coordinate their efforts.

A request was received from Eric Albright for a hearing before the Selectboard to contest the animal ordinance violation that was issued to him on December 14th by the Animal Control Officer. On a motion by Steve and second from Lewis, the Board voted 5-0 to hold the hearing at 5:30pm on January 14th, before their budget work session. Laurie will contact Mr. Albright.

Work on the FY 2016 budget was tabled until next Wednesday, 1/14 at 6pm.

The Board reviewed a request from Town Clerk, Pam McFadden to increase the dog license fees from \$8 for neutered/spayed dogs to \$10, and the fees for altered dogs from \$12 to \$15. On a motion from Steve and second by Gurudharm, the Board voted 5-0 to approve this request.

Review of VLCT's sample "Conflict of Interest" policy was tabled until the January 21st meeting. Laurie will email this policy out to the Board.

Lewis moved to reappoint Cindy Wilcox to a three-year term as Acting Zoning Administrator (term to expire in December 2017). Steve seconded the motion; it passed 5-0.

The Board gave a preliminary review of the 2015 Town Meeting Warning.

At 7:33pm, Lewis moved to recess the Selectboard meeting and immediately convene as the Liquor Commission. Steve seconded the motion; it passed 5-0.

The Commission reviewed a Liquor License renewal request for IQ, Inc. (Exit 4 Sunoco). On a motion by Lewis and second by Steve, they voted 5-0 to approve the request.

At 7:35pm, they adjourned as the Liquor Commission and reconvened as the Selectboard.

There being no other business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:36pm.

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Zeke Goodband, Chair

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Laurie Frechette, Selectboard Assistant

Submitted by: Laurie Frechette, Selectboard Assistant