

UNAPPROVED

SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES

May 27, 2015

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

Members present: Steve Glabach, Zeke Goodband, Gurudharm Khalsa, Jerelyn Wilson, Joe Cook

Also present: Rich Melanson from BCTV, Fred Cheney from Vermont Roadworks, Brian Siano from Lane Paving, Doug Hamilton, Jean Newell, Charlotte Annis, Pam McFadden, Lee Chamberlin, Charles Fish, Chris Campany, Roger Turner, Lew Sorenson, Victoria Budasi, Barbara Morris

The Board voted 4-0 to approve the minutes from May 13, 2015 with Steve abstaining.

On a motion by Steve and second from Joe, the Board voted 5-0 to approve the payment of Warrants 24, 24P, the Cemetery Committee warrant, and authorized Zeke to sign Recreation Board #11.

The Board awarded the paving bid to Vermont Roadworks at \$70.86 per ton to skim and overlay pavement on a portion of Middle Road and School House Road. The vote was unanimous.

The Board approved 5-0 a Traffic Study Request at 857 East-West Road.

Highway Report: The Board reviewed the bridge inspection report at Salmon Brook (center hill). According to the Road Foreman, everything looks good, although the guard rails could be upgraded, if provided for in next year's budget. The Road Foreman also stated that the gravel pit inspection report also looked good. He noted that the construction of the culvert on Quarry Road may begin Monday, June 1, 2015, as the amended stream permit was approved. The Road Foreman reported a culvert request by Sue Barry could not be fulfilled because there is insufficient depth for culvert installation at her site on Stickney Brook Road. In regard to the removal of trees on town property off Stickney Brook Road, as requested by Soveren Solar, Lee Chamberlin requested that the trees be marked, so that he and the Tree Warden can assess and report back to the Board.

For information, Joe Cook will attend the statewide Emergency Management planning meeting on June 16 in South Burlington for the Vigilant Guard Exercise in 2016.

Windham Regional Commission summary of services was presented by Chris Company, with Roger Turner and Lew Sorenson, the Dummerston commissioners. He outlined the WRC's work areas, funding and committee structure. He also answered questions regarding emergency management, and open meeting requirements, and encouraged calls to his office for further concerns.

Charles Fish addressed the Board in regard to the Act 250 application concerning two stream buffer conditions for the building addition at the Historical Society (the old schoolhouse). Ken Cox of the Vermont Department of Fishes and Wildlife will come for a site visit on June 2, 2015.

Victoria Budasi and Barbara Morris stated that an emergency vehicle could not reach their house at the end of Hague Road on April 9th due to icy conditions -- until a sand truck arrived. They requested that more sand be applied and asked the snow plow be kept low until their driveway is passed. The Road Foreman is aware of the difficult slope of this road section, and will advise his drivers accordingly. He plans to put in under-drainage to help drain the road surface.

Pam McFadden proposed lowering the current 8% penalty to 4% for late filing of the Homestead Declaration as required by HS-122. After discussion, the Board requested further information, and postponed action on the request.

The Board approved the Electronic Transfer Agreement with Merchants Bank.

The Board approved a letter of agreement for CAMA (software listers program) for 2016.

The Board awarded the bid to paint the Community Center to Momaney Painters for \$11,800.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm.

Approved

Zeke Goodband, Chair

Gurudharm Khalsa, Clerk

Submitted by: Gurudharm Khalsa, Clerk