

UNAPPROVED

SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES

AUGUST 3, 2016

This meeting was called to order by Zeke Goodband at 6pm in the downstairs of the Congregational Church in Dummerston, Vermont.

Members present: Joe Cook, Steve Glabach, Zeke Goodband, Jerelyn Wilson, Hugh Worden

Also present: Deborah Ayer, Ruth & Merrill Barton, BCTV, Gincy Bunker, Lee Chamberlin, Paul & Terry Chapman, Win Clark, Richard Cogliano, Sam Farwell, Martin Forrett, Laurie Frechette, Maria Glabach, Whitney Harrison, Donald Hazelton, Cindy Jerome, Rick Looman, Pam McFadden, Charlotte Neer Annis, Harold & Jean Newell, Paul Normandeau, Bill & Mary Lou Schmidt, Maddi Shaw from the *Brattleboro Reformer*, Gail Sorenson; Neil O'Flaherty, Niro Besishvili, Nana Litvinenko, Nana Tatiashurili from SIT

The Board immediately recessed their regular meeting and began the informational meeting on the proposed Center Fire Station construction.

Members of the West Dummerston Volunteer Fire Dept. presented information on the proposed construction and answered questions from those in attendance. Town Treasurer Charlotte Neer Annis presented information on the financial aspect of the project and stated that \$7875 in donations has been received to-date.

At 7:05pm, the Board reconvened the regular meeting.

Joe introduced Neil O'Flaherty from SIT and his students from the Republic of Georgia, Niro Besishvili, Nana Litvinenko, Nana Tatiashurili.

On a motion by Joe and second from Steve, the Board voted 4-0 to approve the minutes from July 20th (Jerelyn abstained).

On a motion by Steve and second from Joe, the Board voted 5-0 to approve the payment of Warrants 3, 3A, 3P & Cemetery Fund #1.

Road Foreman, Lee Chamberlin presented his report.

The Board opened the bids for the Tucker Reed Road bridge replacement. They were as follows:

A.S. Clark	\$150,400
Cold River Bridges	\$189,645
Evans Construction	\$167,400
Renaud Bros.	\$197,236

The Board voted unanimously to hold a special meeting on Friday, August 5th at 8:00AM to award the bid. (Motion by Steve, seconded by Hugh).

The Board briefly reviewed the invitation to bid for crack sealing. They will vote on this at Friday's meeting.

The Board received notice of a meeting at Rescue, Inc. for Selectboard representatives on September 8th. Jerelyn offered to attend.

The Board received notice of an Act 250 permit amendment request from the Scott Farm/Landmark Trust USA. Zeke recused himself and left the room. Steve went over the background of the Scott Farm's Act 250 activities. A decision on whether or not to request a hearing will be made at the August 5th meeting.

Joe reported on his research into the late HS-122 filing situation. He made a motion to include a list of the "non-filers" in the annual Town Report. Jerelyn seconded the motion for discussion purposes. After a lengthy discussion, Joe withdrew his motion. The rest of the Board thanked him for his work on this topic.

Pam McFadden spoke to the Board about the procedure for the Town's being able to accept stocks as donations. Steve moved to set up a brokerage account with the Town Treasurer researching several options in the area and reporting back to them at the next meeting. Jerelyn seconded the motion; it passed 5-0. Joe will draft a policy regarding investments.

The paperwork has been submitted to the Windham Regional Commission requesting a traffic count/study on Wickopee Hill Road.

Jerelyn and Joe continue to work on the Employee Job Performance Evaluation forms and procedure.

Zeke spoke of a request from Pat Weisbrich, inviting Matt Mann from Windham Regional to attend the August 17th meeting to discuss the parking issues along RT 30, near the Rock River swimming area. The Board agreed that it would be better for all interested parties to get together, preferably at Windham Regional's office or another neutral venue. Zeke agreed to send an email to Ms. Weisbrich and Matt Mann informing them of the Board's decision.

The Board voted unanimously to approve and sign the 7/26/16 Certificate of Change in the 2016 Grand List (moved by Steve; seconded by Joe).

There being no other business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:23pm.

Approved

Zeke Goodband, Chair

Joe Cook, Clerk

Submitted by: Laurie Frechette, Selectboard Assistant