

UNAPPROVED

**Selectboard Meeting Minutes
2016**

August 5,

The meeting was called to order by Zeke Goodband at 8:00 a.m. at the Town Offices in Dummerston, Vermont.

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

Also present: Archie Clark

The first order of business was the award of a contract for the Tucker Reed Road bridge. Following a motion by Joe that was seconded by Steve, the selectboard voted 5-0 to award the contract to A.S. Clark in the amount of \$150,400. After the contract was awarded Archie Clark answered several questions concerning the construction process and timing. The bridge will be constructed using poured concrete. Archie explained that although it takes between three and four weeks for the concrete to cure completely, it will be 75% cured after seven days. Carroll Concrete will perform the stress testing. Given their work schedule, Archie said that the bridge should be finished in time to allow for vehicular traffic early in October. The selectboard agreed that Lee Chamberlin should sign the contract for the bridge on behalf of the Town.

The next order of business was the invitation for bids for crack sealing on the town highways. Upon a motion by Steve that was seconded by Joe, the selectboard unanimously agreed to approve the invitation to bid as presented.

The last order of business was the pending modification of the Scott Farm Act 250 permit. Zeke recused himself from this portion of the meeting. Steve had spoken with Tristram Johnson with the Scott Farm, Alan McBean with the DRB, and Stephanie Gilman at the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources. The ANR had sent a letter to the selectboard inviting us to request a public hearing if the Scott Farm proceeds to file an application to amend its Act 250 permit as expected. The Scott Farm hopes to amend that permit by increasing the number of permitted events from 32 to 56, and extending the season in which those events can take place. In response to concerns, the Scott Farm is no longer conducting weddings in their orchard. Steve read a letter that he had drafted citing the town plan which supports mixed agricultural uses, and requesting a public hearing if an application is filed to amend the Scott Farm's Act 250 permit. Joe moved to have that letter sent as presented, and Jerelyn seconded his motion. The motion passed 4-0, with Zeke abstaining. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25.

Approved

Zeke Goodband, Chair

Joe Cook, Clerk

Submitted by: Joe Cook, Clerk