

UNAPPROVED

SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES

JANUARY 18, 2017

This meeting was called to order by Zeke Goodband at 5:30 pm at the Town Office in Dummerston, Vermont.

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

**Also present:** Jack Manix & Diana Lischer-Goodband from Farmland Protection Committee, Rich Melanson-BCTV, and Maria Glabach.

**Minutes:**

On a motion by Steve and second from Hugh the Board voted 4-1 with Jerelyn abstaining to approve the minutes from January 4<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>. On a motion by Joe and second from Jerelyn the Board voted 4-1 with Steve abstaining to approve the minutes from January 17<sup>th</sup>.

**Warrants:**

On a motion by Steve and second from Hugh the Board voted 5-0 to approve the payment of Warrants 15, 15P and Recreation Board #5

**Public Comment:** None

**Road Foreman's Report:**

On a motion by Steve and second from Hugh the Board voted 5-0 to approve the request for a "Bus Stop" sign on Upper Dummerston Rd per Lee Chamberlin, Road Foreman. The Road Crew and Laurie received a complimentary letter from a resident on Stickney Brook Road.

**Correspondence for information:**

The majority of letters received regarding recycling bins are for not having the bins at the highway garage after June 30<sup>th</sup>. Residents still had the options of going direct to WSWMD or through private haulers.

Hugh will send to the Board an optional contract amendment he received from Sky Solar for discussion at a later meeting.

**Correspondence for discussion and/or action:**

Zeke will see if representatives from the Dummerston School Board will attend a future meeting to discuss ownership of the School Athletic Fields.

The Board discussed Alex Wilson's letter regarding the WRC energy planning project. The Energy Committee is not in favor of pursuing this project.

**New Business:**

Jack Manix and Diane Lischer-Goodband from the Farmland Committee gave a brief presentation to the Board for the committee's request to support the conserving of property on Dummerston Station Road through the Land Trust.

On a motion by Steve and second from Joe the Board voted 5-0 to approve the Farmland Committee's request for \$15,000.00 from the Farmland Protection Fund towards conserving property on Dummerston Station Road.

Dawn Hubbard, EMD would like to have an Assistant. Joe will post on Front Porch Forum and Zeke will ask Laurie to post on Town website.

On a motion by Steve and second from Jerelyn the Board voted 5-0 to approve and sign the Certificate of Highway Mileage.

**Unfinished Business:**

On a motion by Steve and second from Jerelyn the Board voted 5-0 to accept the Proposed Budget for FY18 as amended.

Zeke highlighted some of the budget increases. The Board also discussed if they could plan ahead for future fire trucks in the Capital Budget Fund, Zeke will ask Laurie.

The Board discussed the Warning for Town Meeting Articles.

On a motion by Joe and second from Jerelyn to add the following Article:

To see if the voters will appropriate \$18,000.00 to continue roll offs at the Town Highway Garage after the MRF closes. The board voted 1-4 and the motion failed.

On a motion by Steve and second from Hugh the Board voted 5-0 to approve the Warning for Town Meeting pending review by the Town Attorney and any other valid petitions received on January 19, 2017.

One application has been received for the positions of ZA and SB Assistant. The Planning Commission will interview for the ZA position and Selectboard for the Assistant position. Zeke will try to set interview for January 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Other Business:****Executive Session:****Upcoming Agendas:**

February 1, 2017 5:30 pm Regular Meeting

There being no other business to come before the Board, Steve made the motion and second from Joe, the meeting adjourned at 6:50 pm.

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Approved

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Zeke Goodband, Chair

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Steve Glabach, Vice-Chair

Submitted by: Maria Glabach, Temporary Selectboard Assistant