

SELECTBOARD MEETING

FEBRUARY 18, 2004

7:30 P.M.

DUMMERSTON LIQUOR COMMISSION

9:16 P.M.

This meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM at the Town Office in Dummerston Center, Vermont.

Members Present: Paul Normandeau, Chairman; Shorty Forrett, Vice-Chairman; Lester Dunklee, Clerk; Jack Manix and Cindy Jerome.

Also Present: Ruth and Merrill Barton, Emergency Management Director Larry Lynch, Road Foreman Wayne Emery, Beverly Knapp.

A motion was made and passed to approve the minutes of February 4, 2004 and to pay Warrants 17 & 17P.

Ruth and Merrill are very concerned about the speed of 50 mph on Route 5 in the area of the John Houghton residence. The speed limit just above this area is 40 mph, then turns 50 mph and reverses to 40 mph north of Ryan Road. They would like to see the 40 mph extended south to the 40 mph speed limit just north of Ryan Road. There are many pedestrians and it is a very dangerous area; there is also a lot of traffic entering and leaving the Southeastern Collaborative and the Sprague Auction buildings. Paul suggested that Ruth contact Floyd Roberts at the Agency of Transportation Office on Route 5 and request a "Pedestrians/Pedestrian Crossing" sign be placed there. The Selectboard will write a letter to Roger L. Thompson, P.E., Traffic Systems Engineer, requesting that the State do a traffic study and review this with the Vermont Traffic Committee-a decision will then be made.

Wayne: the highway department has been peeling ice on roads and plowing snow banks back. Some patching will need to be done. Hank Lambert from Local Roads will be having a "round table discussion" in three areas-Dover, Dummerston and Newfane. Wayne will keep the Board posted on any information he receives.

The Board, Larry and Wayne reviewed a letter, dated January 23, 2004, from Albie Lewis, Director of Vermont Emergency Management, which addressed some concerns the Board noted in their correspondence to him regarding the Emergency Response Plan. Larry stated that the time required to complete route alerting will hopefully be answered by March 15<sup>th</sup>. Cindy asked Larry to identify holes in personnel available- especially those for critical positions-it is difficult to obtain volunteers; Larry will also check to see if the campgrounds have plans in place. Concerns regarding time lines, transportation, re-entry points being monitored, increase in health risk, maps, location of potassium iodide pills were discussed. Cindy will draft a response to the letter from Albie Lewis.

The Board appointed Lester as representative from the Town to the 2006 Budget Committee for the Radiological Emergency Response Plan.

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A draft of an Ordinance dated February 17, 2004 regarding Peddlers and Solicitors, etc. has been received from Town Attorney Bob Fisher for the Board's review. The Board agreed this is definitely not what the Town needs or wants; the draft needs to be re-worked and refer to Town property only-Shorty will speak with Bob.

The Selectboard meeting recessed at 9:15 PM. The Dummerston Liquor Commission was called to order at 9:16 PM.

A motion was made and passed to approve and sign the First Class Cabaret license for the Rainbow Cattle Co. A motion was made and passed to sign the Second Class Liquor License for Dummerston Neighbor's. A motion was made to sign and approve the Tobacco License for Dummerston Neighbor's—**VOTE: YES-Shorty, Paul, Lester. NO: Cindy, Jack.** Motion passed. The Dummerston Liquor Commission adjourned at 9:20 PM.

The Selectboard meeting reconvened at 9:21 PM and a motion was made and passed to enter into Executive Session to discuss a real estate matter and personnel matter. Executive Session adjourned at 9:55PM. No decision was made in Executive Session.

Selectboard meeting adjourned at 9:57 PM.

Approved \_\_\_\_\_

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Paul E. Normandeau, Chairman

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Lester L. Dunklee, Clerk

Minutes: Beverly Knapp  
Administrative Assistant