

UNAPPROVED

SELECTBOARD MINUTES

JULY 5, 2006

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

Members Present: Chair Cindy Jerome; Vice-Chair Paul Normandeau; Clerk Kevin Ryan; Tom Bodett and Lewis White

Also Present: Linda Aiken, Maria Glabach, Jean Newell, Richard Guthrie, Bob Audette and Laurie Frechette

Kevin moved and Lewis seconded to approve Warrants 1 and 1P and the June 21st minutes. The Board approved the motion.

The Board recognized Town Auditors Linda Aiken, Maria Glabach and Jean Newell, who presented their recommendation that the Town conduct a full audit due to the transition in the Town Treasurer's position. The Board will look into possible options and report back at the July 19th meeting.

The Board recognized Richard Guthrie, who was recently appointed as interim Windham County Sheriff. Sheriff Guthrie introduced himself to the Board and discussed his willingness to work with the Town to provide as many services as possible. He will draft a new contract and submit it to the Board as soon as possible.

In the absence of Wayne Emery, Tom presented the Road Foreman's report. The project at the Dummerston School is nearly complete. Road retreatment has been postponed to later this week due to the inclement weather.

Tom updated the Board on recent conversations with David Tansey regarding drainage issues at the Scott Farm along Kipling Road and Dutton Farm Road. He recommends that three Selectboard members meet with Mr. Tansey to clarify the situation. On a suggestion from Lewis, the Board will also invite the trustees of the Landmark Trust to attend this meeting. Tom will contact Vermont Local Roads as a resource. Tom, Lewis and Paul will represent the Board at the upcoming meeting.

Laurie will respond to the survey from Rock Products regarding the Moore Gravel Pit and inform them that the Town no longer uses this pit.

The Board reviewed the following correspondence: Notice of Zoning Violations for David Jenkins on Middle Road, Arthur Phaneuf on Camp Arden Road and Randy & Bridget Bokum on East West Road; letter from Cory Frehsee re: invitation to bid on Dummerston & Putney Gravel Pit access road; letter from Cory Frehsee to April Hensel re: Act 250 application for Dummerston & Putney Gravel Pit; letter from VT Wastewater Management Division to Robert Bliss re: property on Rice Farm Road; Land Use Permit Application #2W0976-1 for Amy & Edwin Dews/Black Birch Properties, LLC, and VLCT newsletter.

The Board reviewed an email from Charlie Morgan regarding accessibility to his property via Beaver Pond Road and/or Hopkins Road. Wayne is researching the costs of improving Beaver Pond Road for year-round access and will report back to the Board at the next meeting.

Paul reported to the Board on his conversation with Town Attorney, Bob Fisher regarding the possible location of a leach field within the town right-of-way along Windmill Hill Road. Atty. Fisher advised against locating any type of septic system with a public right-of-way. Cindy will contact Ron Svec to advise him of this decision.

Tom reminded the Board of the Act 250 hearing on the Dummerston & Putney Gravel Pit to be held on July 6th.

The Board reviewed and approved the list of goals to be accomplished prior to Town Meeting 2007.

On a motion from Kevin and second by Paul, the Board signed the Listers' Certificate as presented.

On a motion from Paul and second by Cindy, the Board set the 2006 Municipal Tax Rate at \$.1995.

Paul reported to the Board on his recent conversation with Putney Town Manager, Chris Ryan regarding a possible purchase program for heating fuel/diesel fuel.

Paul reported to the Board that the Prospect Hill Pasture trustees will be submitting a bill for approximately \$700 for additional clearing to be done.

The Board discussed possible guidelines for the Miller Fund; no decision was made at this time.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:15pm.

Approved

Cindy Jerome, Chair

Kevin Ryan, Clerk

Minutes: Laurie Frechette, Administrative Assistant