

## SELECTBOARD MINUTES

April 23, 2008

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

Members Present: Chair Lewis White, Vice-Chair Andrew MacFarland, Clerk Patricia Stello, Wayne Emery and Cindy Jerome

Also Present: Laurie Frechette

On a motion by Wayne and second from Andrew, the Board approved, 3-0, the minutes from April 9<sup>th</sup>.

On a motion by Cindy and second from Wayne, the Board approved, 3-0, the minutes from the April 16<sup>th</sup> Board of Health hearing.

Wayne moved to approve the payment of Warrants 22, 22P, 22MF and 22RB. Andrew seconded the motion and it passed by a 5-0 vote.

In the absence of Road Foreman Lee Chamberlin, Lewis presented the highway report. The Board again discussed the drainage issue at Ken Chamberlin's property along East West Road. Lewis and Wayne will do a site visit; Laurie will draft a letter to Mr. Chamberlin advising him of their findings.

Lewis reported on today's MSHA inspection of the Carpenter Gravel Pit. One violation was found – the horn on the backhoe was not working. Everything else was found to be in order, however we will receive a fine for the single violation.

Wayne spoke about the roof of the highway garage needing to be repaired. The rear wall of the garage was also damaged by falling ice this past winter. Lewis advised that Lee is aware of these problems and is looking into having them repaired.

The Board reviewed information received from VLCT regarding the availability of a Tenant User Liability Insurance Policy to the town. The Board decided that the policy will not benefit the town at this time.

On a motion from Cindy and second by Pat, the Board entered Executive Session at 7:45PM to discuss a personnel matter. The Board adjourned the Executive Session at 8:00PM with no decisions made and reconvened the regular meeting.

The Board reviewed a draft of the "Rules of Operation for Town Owned Cemeteries" which was submitted by the Cemetery Committee. The Board gave their approval for this document to be handed out to potential buyers of perpetual care.

On a motion by Cindy and second by Wayne, the Board voted 5-0 to appoint Lewis as their designee to approve the sale of perpetual care.

The Board briefly discussed the Emergency Health Order recently served to Cleon Barrows. Town Health Officer, Mary Lafayette will inspect the property on April 27<sup>th</sup> to ensure that the order is being complied with.

On a motion by Andrew and second from Wayne, the Board voted 5-0 to sign the paperwork for the Current Expense Note with TD Banknorth.

Due to a scheduling conflict with the church, the joint boards meeting has been rescheduled from June 11<sup>th</sup> to June 25<sup>th</sup> at 7PM.

Lewis and Wayne reported on their recent meeting with Bob Taylor and CVPS about the proposed lighting project in West Dummerston Village. Wayne questioned the benefit of switching over to the new lights when there will most likely not be a financial savings to the town. After some discussion, the Board agreed to proceed with the project due to the savings in energy. They had believed the town would also save money as well since we pay per kilowatt hour. CVPS will install two different types of lights to be tested at the northern end of West Street.

On a motion by Cindy and second from Wayne, the Board voted 5-0 to sign the trailer park license for Amy Dews.

The Board gave their approval for Tom Bodett to respond to a recent Letter to the Editor in the *Brattleboro Reformer* with the understanding that he is writing as a former Selectboard member.

The Board scheduled a Goals Work Session for Wednesday, May 28<sup>th</sup> at 7PM.

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:46PM.

May 7, 2008  
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Lewis White, Chairman

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Patricia J. Stello, Clerk

Submitted by Laurie Frechette, Administrative Assistant