

UNAPPROVED

SELECTBOARD MINUTES

February 10, 2010

This meeting was called to order at 7:00pm at the Town Offices in Dummerston, Vermont.

Members Present: Chair Andrew MacFarland, Greg Brown, Wayne Emery and Zeke Goodband

Not Present: Tom Bodett

Also Present: Lee Chamberlin, Harold Newell, Paul Normandeau and Laurie Frechette

On a motion from Wayne and second by Zeke, the Board voted 4-0 to approve the meeting minutes from January 27th and the payment of Warrants 17 & 17P.

Paul questioned the status of the Tucker Reed Road bridge project. Lee explained that it's still in the planning process and that we'll be working out the details in the near future. Although the grant covers a five year period, he's hoping to complete the project by the end of this summer.

On a motion by Wayne and second by Greg, the Board approved 4-0 the 2010 Certificate of Highway Mileage.

On a motion by Zeke, seconded by Wayne, the Board voted 4-0 to sign the 2010 Town Highway Annual Financial Plan.

It appears that the covered bridge lighting project is back on track. No date has yet been set for the light replacement.

Lee spoke to the Board about the proposed Stickney Brook Road alteration project. The two affected properties are owned by the Brattleboro Water Department and Tony & Janet Clark. On a motion by Wayne, seconded by Zeke, the Board voted 4-0 to authorize Andrew to sign the easement agreement. A public hearing date was set for May 19th at 6:30pm at the Dummerston Community Center, with the site visit to begin at 6pm.

Letters were received from Bob Wainwright and Shirley Perkins requesting not to be reappointed to the Planning Commission and the Council on Aging respectively, when their current terms expire in March.

Correspondence was received from the Windham County Sheriff's Department advising that their hourly rate will increase from \$40 to \$42 on July 1, 2010.

Emails from Cary Gaunt and Chris Carr from VELCO regarding the use of helicopters in the Kelly Road area were reviewed and discussed.

On a motion by Zeke and second from Greg, the Board voted 4-0 to sign the Boundary Validation Program form from the US Census Bureau.

There were no updates on the regional library building or the Dummerston/Newfane town line.

The upcoming Town Meeting was discussed. On a motion by Wayne, seconded by Greg, the Board voted 4-0 to ask the Evening Star Grange to provide the luncheon again this year.

Discussion took place regarding the issue of residents walking their dogs in the Baptist Church Cemetery and not cleaning up after them. Andrew will send a letter to the resident in question and include a copy of the adopted Cemetery Rules of Operation.

There will not be a regular Selectboard meeting on February 24th, as there will not be a quorum present. On a motion by Wayne, seconded by Andrew, the Board voted 4-0 to authorize Zeke and Greg to sign Warrants 18 and 18P on behalf of the Board. These warrants will be ratified at the March 10th meeting.

Laurie asked for authorization to write a check to the US Postal Service next week as payment for the mailing of the Town Report. On a motion by Zeke, seconded by Wayne, the Board voted 4-0 to grant her request.

With no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:03pm.

Approved

Andrew MacFarland, Chair

Wayne Emery, Clerk

Submitted by: Laurie Frechette, Selectboard Assistant