

UNAPPROVED

SELECTBOARD MINUTES

August 25, 2010

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

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

Also Present: Lee Chamberlin, Karyn Clark & Dan Tyler, John Evans, Chris Garofolo from the *Brattleboro Reformer*, Maria & Steve Glabach, Nelson Jillson, Pam McFadden, Jean & Harold Newell, Dan Normandeau, Jody & Paul Normandeau, Bill & Mary Lou Schmidt, Gail & Lew Sorenson, Claudia Teachman-Blocher, Mark Whitaker, Lewis White, & Laurie Frechette

On a motion from Zeke and second by Tom, the Board voted 5-0 to approve the meeting minutes from August 11 and the payment of Warrants 4 & 4P.

Treasurer, Laurie Frechette presented the financial reports for the end of FY 2010. The General Fund ended the fiscal year with a surplus of \$57,072.60. The FY 2010 surplus in the Highway Fund is \$4064.65. (Laurie was excused from the meeting at 7:05pm.)

The Board recognized Karyn Clark and Dan Tyler, who spoke about their request for a Vendor's Permit to sell wood-fired pizzas on the Town Common during the upcoming Apple Pie Festival. The Board asked Karyn & Dan to speak with members of the Church about their request since the Common is used for parking, and report back to the Board.

Road Foreman, Lee Chamberlin presented his report. The road crew has been grading roads and installing approximately twenty five replacement culverts in the past few weeks.

The Town has received notification that we have been approved for the Stickney Brook Road project grant but not approved for the Waterman Road project grant at this time.

Paving of Middle Road, Windmill Hill Road and the Town Office parking lot is scheduled to begin on September 15th.

Joel Perrigo, the VTrans project manager for the Covered Bridge Wing Wall project, will meet with project engineer Brud Sanderson, Board member Tom Bodett and any other interested members at the covered bridge on September 2nd at 2pm.

On a motion by Tom and second by Zeke, the Board voted 5-0 to approve Fairpoint's Petition & Order for pole replacement along Sunset Lake Road.

The Board recognized Delinquent Tax Collector, Pam McFadden who reported that the Colonel's Cabin and Gary Matava are very delinquent in their tax payments; she requested the Board's permission to begin proceedings for tax sales. On a motion by Wayne and second by Greg, the Board voted 5-0 to give Pam authorization to proceed with the tax sales.

Zeke asked to be recused from discussion on the Scott Farm's Act 250 permit application and left the room.

Dan Normandeau, John Evans and Jody Normandeau spoke of their various concerns about the permit application and urged the Selectboard to request party status for the Town at the upcoming Act 250 hearing. Greg clarified that the Town automatically has party status and moved that the Selectboard notify the District Environmental Commission of our intent to exercise our party status, request a postponement of the hearing until October and work with the applicant and neighbors to attempt to identify mutually agreeable conditions to a permit. Wayne seconded the motion; it passed 4-0. Zeke rejoined the Board at the table.

Tom questioned whether or not the Board should discuss and act the draft Town Plan tonight since it was warned "for discussion". It was decided to allow discussion of the plan.

Tom made the following motion: On page 20, Policy 1.1, Action Step m: Delete the word "density" in the first and last sentences. Greg seconded the motion; it passed 5-0.

Greg moved to add a sentence at the end of the Rural/Commercial section (p. 15) noting Action Step m on page 20, which refers to the corridor studies and subsequent amending of the plan and bylaws. Tom seconded the motion; it was defeated 1-4.

A joint meeting of the Planning Commission and Selectboard is scheduled for Wednesday, October 13th at 7pm in the downstairs of the Grange (if available).

On a motion by Tom and second by Wayne, the Board voted 5-0 to approve the FY 2011 Letter of Agreement for Computer Appraisal Services for the Listers' computer program.

On a motion by Tom and second by Zeke, the Board voted 5-0 to sign the 8/24/10 Certificate of Change to the 2010 Grand List.

On a motion by Zeke and second by Greg, the Board voted 5-0 to appoint John Warren to the Development Review Board, thus creating a vacancy for a DRB alternate. Laurie will post the vacancy; all letters of interest should be sent to the Selectboard no later than 3pm on September 17th.

No date was set for the combined Dummerston/Newfane Selectboard meeting.

The Board of Abatement hearing for Joan McBean has been rescheduled to Wednesday, September 1st at 6:30pm.

On a motion by Tom and second by Greg, the Board voted 3-0 to sign the Dog Warrant. Zeke and Wayne abstained from the vote.

On a motion by Tom and second by Zeke, the Board voted 5-0 to recess the meeting and immediately convene as the Liquor Commission.

Tom moved to approve the Liquor Catering License application from Riverview Café for a wedding to be held at 1999 Black Mountain Road on September 25th from 5pm-12am. Greg seconded the motion; it passed 5-0.

The Liquor Commission meeting was adjourned at 9:05pm; the Selectboard reconvened and immediately entered Executive Session to discuss a real estate matter.

At 9:20pm, the Board left Executive Session with no action taken.

With no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:21pm.

Approved

Andrew MacFarland, Chair

Wayne Emery

Submitted by: Wayne Emery, Clerk