

UNAPPROVED

SELECTBOARD MINUTES

September 15, 2010

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

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

Not Present: Wayne Emery

Also Present: Charlotte Annis, Ruth & Merrill Barton, Jane Booth, John Evans, Jared Flynn, Randy Hickin (at 7:15pm), Connie & Lynde Kimball, Dan Normandeau, David Tansey, Cindy Wilcox, & Laurie Frechette

On a motion from Tom and second by Zeke, the Board voted 4-0 to approve a request from the Grange to allow parking on the Town Common on the evening of October 1st.

On a motion from Zeke and second by Greg, the Board voted 4-0 to authorize Tom to write a letter of support for the Grange, outlining the Board's opinion of the importance of the Grange to the community.

On a motion from Tom and second by Zeke, the Board voted 4-0 to approve the payment of Warrant 5A.

The Board decided to keep the date of the combined Dummerston/Newfane Selectboard meeting as October 20th.

Zeke spoke to the Board about his recent conversations with VLCT and the Secretary of State's office regarding the recusal of Board members. The statutes do not state that members have to leave the building; they simply cannot influence other Board members. With that being said, the Board decided to allow Zeke to remain in the room for the upcoming discussion on the Scott Farm's Act 250 application. Andrew will request sample conflict of interest policies from other towns.

Zeke recused himself from the meeting at 7:10pm and left the table.

Discussion began on the Scott Farm's Act 250 application and the upcoming hearing. David Tansey went over the history of the farm and the reasons for needing an Act 250 permit.

Concerns about increased traffic were presented by John Evans, Mr. & Mrs. Kimball, and Dan Normandeau.

Cindy Wilcox reported that the Planning Commission is in support of the Scott Farm's application.

After a lengthy discussion, the Board voted 3-0 to submit a letter for the Act 250 hearing requesting the following: a limit on the number and frequency of non-agricultural events; no amplified outdoor music after 6pm; limit hours of operation, i.e. end at 11pm on weekends and 10pm during the week; limit number of participants to 120. This motion was made by Tom and seconded by Greg. Greg will attend the September 30th hearing on behalf of the Selectboard.

Zeke rejoined the meeting at 9:08pm.

With no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:09pm.

Approved

Andrew MacFarland, Chair

Greg Brown

Submitted by: Laurie Frechette, Selectboard Assistant