

SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES

January 21, 2015

This meeting was called to order by Zeke Goodband at 6:00pm at the Dummerston Town Office in Dummerston, Vermont.

Members present: Joe Cook, Steve Glabach, Zeke Goodband, Gurudharm Khalsa, Lewis White

Also present: BCTV, Mike Faher, Laurie Frechette, Gail Sorenson, Keith Clark, Mark Anderson, Robert Lakin

As the first order of business, Zeke added a liquor license renewal for Circle K to the agenda under New Business.

On a motion by Gurudharm and second from Lewis, the Board voted 5-0 to approve the minutes from January 7th and 3-0 (Joe and Zeke abstained) to approve the minutes from January 14th.

On a motion by Steve and second from Lewis, the Board voted 5-0 to approve the payment of Warrants 15 and 15P.

The Board recognized Sheriff Keith Clark, who introduced two of his officers, Mark Anderson and Robert Lakin. A lengthy discussion ensued regarding the Sheriff's contract with the Town and traffic control vs. patrolling the back roads. Sheriff Clark stated that he would not agree to a dual contract between the Town, the State Police and the Sheriff's Department. During the meeting, a glitch was found in the department's computer reporting system; explaining why the reports sent to the Town listed fewer hours worked during each month.

Correspondence for Review included: 1/15 letter from Casey Murrow re: Learning Collaborative's anticipated \$1500 gift to Fire Dept. in FY16; 1/13 email from Dick Virkstis and Zeke's 1/14 response; Zoning Administrator's quarterly report.

The Board reviewed a 1/7 letter from Sovern Solar re: proposed 150kw Community Solar System at 511 Miller Road; no action was taken.

On a motion by Lewis and second from Steve, the Board voted 5-0 to approve the FY 2016 budget in the amount of \$430,872 for the General Fund and \$487,476 for the Highway Fund.

On a motion from Gurudharm and second by Joe, the Board voted 5-0 to approve the 2015 Town Meeting warning.

Gurudharm moved to approve the VLCT Conflict of Interest policy as presented. Joe seconded the motion; it was defeated 3-2.

After much discussion, Lewis moved to approve the policy, excluding Paragraph 1 in Section A. Steve seconded the motion; it passed 3-2.

On a motion from Steve and second by Lewis, the Board voted 5-0 to approve and sign the FY16 contract with Rescue, Inc.

At 7:36pm the meeting was recessed and convened as the Liquor Commission. Lewis moved to approve the liquor license renewal request from Circle K on RT 30. Steve seconded the motion; it passed 5-0.

At 7:37pm, they adjourned as the Liquor Commission and reconvened as the Selectboard.

Gurudharm reported that he and Sam Farwell will jointly participate in a new Wastewater & Water Advisory Committee

There being no other business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:38pm.

Approved

Zeke Goodband, Chair

Joe Cook, Clerk

Submitted by: Laurie Frechette, Selectboard Assistant