

UNAPPROVED

SELECTBOARD MINUTES

March 23, 2011

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

Members Present: Chair Tom Bodett, Greg Brown, Zeke Goodband, Bill Holiday, Lewis White

Also Present: Lee Chamberlin, Brenda Davis, Atty. Jodi French (at 7:36), Dan Normandeau, Paul Normandeau, Reg Rockefeller, Cindy Wilcox, Brud Sanderson, Jean & Harold Newell, Gail Sorenson, Laurie Frechette

On a motion from Lewis and second by Zeke, the Board voted 5-0 to approve the meeting minutes from March 9th and the payment of Warrants 19 & 19P.

The Board invited Planning Commission Chair, Cindy Wilcox and Reg Rockefeller, the Chair of the Zoning Bylaw Committee to the table to discuss the possibility of drafting an Events Permit ordinance for public events and how that might coincide with updates to the Zoning Bylaw to bring it into compliance with the Town Plan.

Comments were taken from Gail Sorenson, Paul Normandeau and Dan Normandeau regarding the Liquor Commission's recent approval of a catering license application for a wedding to be held at the Scott Farm in July. They took the Board to task for approving this application, since weddings are not currently an allowed activity in that zoning district. Gail asked that future agendas state more clearly the topic to be discussed. Tom responded that the posted agenda item was to be a discussion on public events and their potential permits, not a discussion on the Scott Farm. Dan and Paul reiterated their concerns about ongoing activities at the Scott Farm. Dan also questioned the accuracy of the March 9th meeting minutes.

It was agreed to form a subcommittee of the Selectboard to look at drafting an Event Permit Ordinance (in addition to zoning bylaw revisions). Greg and Bill will serve on this subcommittee.

The Board recognized Town Atty. Jodi French, who spoke about the draft Purchase & Sales Agreements for the former regional library building. There will be two P&S Agreements; one between the State and the Town, and another between the Town and the Learning Collaborative. She also discussed the draft Payment in Lieu of Taxes agreement between the Town and the Learning Collaborative. Bill moved to amend the draft to authorize changes in the right to appeal the Town's appraisal. Zeke seconded the motion; it passed 5-0. Jean Newell requested that the minutes reflect that the Town is not to be responsible for any legal fees pertaining to these transactions.

Brud Sanderson of Stevens Engineering Associates was present for the second of two public meetings concerning the Transportation Enhancements project on the covered bridge. Plans for the work were displayed for the Board and the public and questions were answered. The State will begin the review process soon.

On a motion by Greg and second by Bill, the Board voted 5-0 to award the design contract for the Renaud Gravel Pit to Stevens & Associates. at a base price of \$33,000 with an additional \$4850 in natural resource assessments, if required.

Bids on the new dump truck were received from DeLurey Sales & Service and J&B International Trucks; body bids were received from HP Fairfield, Tenco New England, and EW Sleeper Co.

Laurie and Lee will draft a spreadsheet of all bids to be sent out to Board members for review. The bids will be awarded at the April 6th meeting.

Road Foreman, Lee Chamberlin reported on the current mud season. Hague Road and the upper portion of Stickney Brook Road have been closed to school buses at this time.

Windham Solid Waste Management has scheduled a Hazardous Waste Day for Saturday, June 18th. They will be at the Town Garage from 9-10am on that date.

The Board reviewed an application for Certificate of Public Good for an Interconnected Net Metered Power System for Leon Chamberlin, Jr. on Kipling Road.

The Board reviewed a \$60 invoice from the Windham County Humane Society for a cat that was dropped off at the shelter in early February. Zeke will contact them as the required authorization was not given by the Animal Control Officer.

On a motion by Lewis and second by Greg, the Board voted 5-0 to approve the Morris Dancers request to perform in Dummerston on May 29th.

Lister, Jean Newell explained the VT Tax Department's denial of request for redetermination on the CLA and COD.

Discussion of a reappointment procedure was tabled until the next meeting.

On a motion by Zeke and second by Bill, the Board voted 5-0 to appoint the following Town Officials:

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| Ruth Barton | Weigher of Coal |
| Larry Cassidy | Council on Aging Representative |
| Terry Chapman | VT Community Development Program |
| Ernie Clark | Cemetery Committee |
| Janice Duke | Fence Viewer |
| Wayne Emery | Cemetery Committee |
| Sylvio Forrett | Animal Control Officer |
| | Poundkeeper |
| | Inspector of Wood & Lumber |
| Nelson Jillson | Cemetery Committee |
| | Fence Viewer |
| Tom Johnson | Farmland Committee |
| Layla Lewis | Cemetery Committee |
| Jack Lilly | Recreation Board |
| Jack Manix | VT Community Development Program |
| Dan Marx | VT Community Development Program |
| Harold Newell | CT River Joint Commission |
| Jean Newell | Fence Viewer |
| Anna Piergentili | Cemetery Committee |
| Bill Schmidt | Recreation Board |
| Lew Sorenson | Farmland Committee |
| | Windham Regional Commission Representative |

Ron Svec
Roger Turner
Jill Williams

Poundkeeper
Windham Regional Commission Representative
Recreation Board

Bill will attend the upcoming Selectboard Institute in Rutland.

Applications for the Emergency Management Director's position were received from Eric Davis, Marty Forrett and Lew Sorenson. Laurie was asked to schedule interviews for them on April 13th, prior to the Boards Goals Work Session.

On a motion by Lewis and second from Zeke, the Board voted 5-0 to appoint Paul Normandeau to Windham Regional Commission's Regional Technology Team.

Members were reminded of the March 24th Open Meeting Law informational session to be held in the downstairs of the Church.

Greg will attend the March 24th meeting with the State of VT regarding Dutton Pines State Park.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:01pm.

Approved

Tom Bodett, Chair

Zeke Goodband, Clerk

Submitted by: Laurie Frechette, Selectboard Assistant