

## REGULAR MEETING OF THE SELECTBOARD & WATER COMMISSION Town Office, Monday, Feb 15, 2016, 6:30 p.m. Unapproved

Select board Members Present: Scott Perry-Chairman, Wendy Howard, Sue Regan, Tom Stanley, Mark Brouillette arrived at 6:40pm

Visitors: Alyssa Hardy, Merle Van Giesen

Clerk: Elizabeth Reighley

6:30pm Scott Perry called the meeting to order

- 1. **Hearing and Adoption of Revised Town Plan**. Wendy made a motion to adopt the Revised Town Plan as written, Sue seconded and the motion was passed 4-0.
- 2. **Review and make any changes to the agenda.** No changes were made.
- 3. **Telephone conference with Town Attorney re pending court case re: Stanion fence**. A conference call with Charlie Merriman took place.
- 4. **Review/approve minutes of Feb 1 and Feb 4, 2016.** Wendy moved to approve the minutes of Feb 1<sup>st</sup>, seconded by Sue, motion carried unanimously. Mark made a motion to approve the minutes from Feb 4<sup>th</sup>, seconded by Tom, motion passed unanimously.
- 5. Public Works (Roads and Bridges, Buildings and Grounds).
  - a. Longley Bridge Project Update. Carry Over.
  - b. **Equipment and Personnel.** Mark reviewed the latest on the potential for a 1-ton truck purchase.
  - c. **Buildings / grounds report. Building inspection and work.** Scott went over the VOSHA building inspection that took place at the town office regarding the regulations for the building and the air samples that were taken. Suggestion for a new ventilation system was taken into consideration for future use. Scott will follow up on official results from the air tests after Town Meeting.
  - d. **Appoint representatives to regional Clean Water Advisory Committee.** A decision was made to appoint Michael Snider as the primary representative for

- the Advisory Committee with Mark Brouillette standing as his second temporarily. The board will reach out to town committee members to see about appointing a permanent representative in Mark's stead.
- e. Approve/sign 2016 Financial Plan, Adopt State Roads Standards, Review Class 2 and 3 Roads grants. Wendy moved to authorize Mark to approve/sign the 2016 Financial Plan for the town highways away from the table. Sue seconded this and the motion passed unanimously. This will be done after Town Meeting. Mark made the motion to adopt/sign the Certification of Compliance for Town Road & Bridge Standards, Wendy seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. Scott reviewed the results of the meeting with AOT District 8, specifically the pending Paving Grant which will need to be amended to only cover Route 58 (Class 2 Roads) and its' culverts. Class 3 roads are ineligible. The Board agreed to leave Hill West road in the current project and pay for it out of the Infrastructure Reserve fund.
- f. Culverts meeting with USFS and NRPC. Mark highlighted the plans and layout for culvert replacement and discussion took place regarding the high priority areas for new culverts.
- 6. **Visitors:** Questions and comments were taken from town members present.

## 7. Water Commission Issues:

- a. **Meter Reader System Update.** System has been installed, meter reader is in, and Mark intends to follow up with Chris Goodrich for program instructions and usage. Wendy motioned to sign the Water Shutoff Ordinance and approve the administrator to send out the disconnect list; Sue seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
- b. **Sanitary Inspection report.** Scott reviewed the Sanitary Report. The first Regular meeting in April will take place at the Water Plant.
- c. Review SOS contract. Carry over.
- 8. **Adopt revised Dog Ordinance**. Carry over to Thursday Feb 25<sup>th</sup> to adopt ordinance.

## 9. **Old Business:**

- a. **Hectorville Bridge Project update.** Merle updated the board on the status of the Hectorville Bridge.
- b. **New Town Office.** Scott summarized the new town office changes that are set to be discussed at the informational meetings, he also noted that Maryanne Wood is planning to write an article about the current town office to be published in the St Albans Messenger.

## 10. New Business:

- a. Overweight Truck Permits. None
- b. **Liquor/Tobacco Licenses.** Sue moved to approve/sign the Liquor Licenses for Bernie's and The Black Lantern this was seconded by Tom, and the motion was passed.
- c. **Proposed letter to the Editor.** Scott proposed to the board his letter to the editor write-up intended to educate townspeople about current openings within civic

- offices, and what their jobs consist of. Sue moved to accept and submit the letter, Mark seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.
- d. **Net metering opportunity/solicitation.** The town received a solicitation for a buy in on a solar installation in Georgia, VT. The board agreed this was not a local investment opportunity and therefore not an interest for the town at this time.
- e. **Dog Complaint.** A formal complaint regarding an incident with a dog at large was brought to the table. The board reviewed the grievance and agreed to schedule a hearing and notify involved parties. A Special Meeting for the Dog Hearing will take place on Friday Feb 19<sup>th</sup> at 5:15pm.
- 11. **Open Mail / Sign Orders / Administrative Matters.** Board members signed department warrants and the 2016 Stray Animal Holding Agreement for FCHS.
- 12. **Adjourn.** Mark made the motion to end the meeting, seconded by Tom. Board adjourned at 9:10pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Elizabeth Reighley