

SELECTBOARD MEETING

MINUTES

March 27, 2017

- I. **OPEN MEETING** – The March 27, 2017 Selectboard Meeting opened at 6:00PM. Those present: Gregory Noyes, Frank Sawicki, Jr., Haven Haynes, Jr., Richard Thibeault, Noreen Labrecque, Dawn Dion, Heather Robinson.
- II. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** –On a motion by Frank and seconded by Gregory the March 13, 2017 Selectboard meeting minutes were approved.
- III. **ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA** – Budget Status Report, Review Newsletter
- IV. **GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS** -
 1. Heather Robinson – Hydroseeding – Heather explained the Hydroseeding program to the board. The contract would be for five years. The initial cost to join would be \$500 the first year but this would include up to \$700 worth of supplies and materials to be used that year. The remaining four years would cost the town \$200 for each year plus the cost of materials and supplies. The Towns that have approved this so far are Lemington, Brighton, UTG and Guildhall. Lemington has agreed to be the Host Town. Heather left an MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) with the board to sign if they choose to. (See attached for copy of MOU). The Board will discuss pros and cons to the program and discuss with Shane from VT AOT at their meeting with him on Wednesday and make a decision after that.
 2. Heather stated that she is also part of the Fish and Game Department and she will be approaching the board about changing out a culvert on Todd Hill. There are funds in the Conservation Dept. for these kinds of projects.
 3. Dawn Dion was in concerning the snowmobile trail that abuts her property. She stated that they have had vehicle damages and near misses with collisions on several occasions for the past four years. She has tried contacting the local snowmobile club with little or no results. She has concerns of safety for pedestrians on the town sidewalks across from her. The board will set up a meeting with the Canaan Border Riders to discuss these issues.
- V. **REPORT FROM HIGHWAY**
 1. Holmes Street issue – No action. Board discussed issue stating that if there are any complaints about maintenance of roads they should be brought to the Selectboard, the road crew should not have to take time from their day to solve. Noreen will reach out to VLCT to get information on the right of the town regarding road maintenance.
 2. Richard said he has ordered the teeth for the grader. The F550 is running for now but will need to be fixed with the Ford parts once Bob Caron gets them in.
 3. The board discussed the Hudson Road Closure as was done last year. Noreen will write up the Resolution for the board to sign. Richard will post roads.
 4. Reminder that board will meet with AOT on Wednesday, March 29, 2017 at 1:00PM.
- VI. **REPORT FROM WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT**

1. Unpaid septage fees – The board will address this at their next meeting.
2. Frank reported that he toured the Wastewater Treatment facilities and was impressed with all it entails. He was also impressed with the knowledge of our operator and assistant operator.

VII. SOLID WASTE

1. Defective bags – Greg will contact Waste Zero about this.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

1. Workshop – Tax Appeals – No one can make it.....Noreen will see about getting copies of the literature from this workshop.
2. Dinner at BFVFD – March 30, 2017 – Both Greg and Frank will attend.

IX. OLD BUSINESS

1. UPDATE ON TOWN LIGHTING – The board will do inventory after their next Board Meeting on April 10th.
2. Reminder – TOEC in Fairlee, April 4, 2017- no action
3. Greg reminded the board of the upcoming meeting on April 7, 2017 for the Village Destination.

X. OTHER BUSINESS –

1. Appointments – See attached list
2. Sign Liquor license – Time Out Tavern & American Legion – On a motion by Haven and seconded by Frank the board signed the liquor licenses for Time Out Tavern and American Legion.
3. Approve new 911 road names – Routhier – On a motion by Haven and seconded by Frank the board approved the private road names of Road Maker Lane and Center Road located on the DR SCAR property off Reservoir Road.
4. Health Officer – Bed Bugs – Haven will meet with Alan Graham to inspect the property on Wednesday, March 29th.
5. Board will review Budget Status Report and bring any concerns to the next board meeting.
6. Board reviewed and approved the quarterly newsletter.

XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION – no action

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| Out: Motion: | Second: | Action: | Time: |

- XII. SORT MAIL/SIGN WARRANT –** Board signed warrant #6 (\$38,736.61) along with a corrected warrant #4 and a warrant to void one check to NEWEA to two separate checks, one to cover workshop and another to cover cost of exam.

- XIII. ADJOURN MEETING –**On a motion by Haven and seconded by Frank the March 27, 2017 Selectboard meeting adjourned at 8:15PM.