

**SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, JUNE 18, 2019 at 6:00 PM
MEETING ROOM – WILLEY BUILDING**

Those attending: Selectboard: Fred Ducharme, Ruth Goodrich, John Cookson, Mike Hogan and Ted Domey by phone

Town Employees: Betty Ritter, Michelle Leclerc

Town Residents: Don Mitchell, Jeff Haslett, Clare Pike Marcy Martin, Stan Baroski, Jen Miner, Jessica Miller, Deborah Peterson, April Borrelli, Chuck Marian, Bill Wheeler, Larry Gochey, Steve Cox, Aldo Nunn,

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Fred
2. Approve Agenda – Mike 1st, Ruth 2nd
3. Approve Minutes from
 - a. June 3, 2019 Special Selectboard Meeting – Ruth 1st, John 2nd
 - b. June 4, 2019 Selectboard Meeting – Ruth 1st, John 2nd Fred abstained
4. Public Comment –
 - a. April regarding the storm drains by her house on Danville Hill Road. The fabric in the storm drain is ripped. Ruth will contact Alliance on the drain as this was on the list for them to remove the fabric. John will talk to Aldo about putting stone around the drain by the old gym.
 - b. Chuck said in 2010 he had a fire and he lives on class 4 road. Skip told him that the fire department doesn't go out on class 4 roads. Mike asked if there was a written policy and Chuck has not found out. Chuck has come to the Selectboard regarding this but hasn't heard anything. John has heard that but was not confirmed. Chuck said they brought the truck out to the class 3 road and walked in and told Chuck they would not be coming up the road. Ruth would like to have the fire department come to the next meeting. The rest of the Selectboard agreed. Jen Miner said if that is policy it should be written and should request a copy of that. They will be coming in to the first meeting in July. Betty will request a copy.
 - c. Larry thinks there is an eye station at the new garage. Aldo said it is stored upstairs. Fred said that it could be donated to the fire department.
 - d. Larry wanted to say that the road side mower is doing a great job and thanked the person who hired them. John said thank you and appreciated hearing this. He also stated there is ten miles that they will not be able to be do.
 - e. Richard Hourihan was coming down the Whittier Hill Road. They have curb cut the gravel and the rain is eating away the gravel and might want to check this out.
 - f. Rich is wondering if there has been a test on the soil at 2424 Main Street. Fred said that will be done. Larry said that he coated the piping with tar before he sold it. Betty will check to see who was contacted regarding the ground checking.
 - g. Stan Barosky on Cabot Road discussed the 4-wheelers and trucks with no mufflers very loud. John is wondering if the sheriff should be able to go out there and sit. Fred said it is difficult to get the County Sheriff out here but we will try to get out there. Stan said they sit by the creamery they should be able to patrol the road. We will talk to them about this.
 - h. Jessica is wondering if anyone from the fire department is here. No one is here. Fred said they will be here 1st meeting in July. Betty received a call from the VT Fire Protection and Safety, Patrick McLaughlin, Fire Marshall. He advised he would like a closed end time for the items to be done. Betty would like to suggest a year to have all of the items done. Ruth asked if he seemed overly concerned. Betty said that he did not seem concerned and advised him that we are working on these violations and he said that he was happy that we working on these violations and will work with us. He does not want the letter open ended and Betty suggested a year. Betty will send a letter to him proposing one year. Ruth met with Jason Larrabee from Larrabee's building supply with quotes for several different things. The options for a side entrance to the building. The best and cheapest way to go would be to raise the floor level with the stairs and expand the bathroom and enclose the generator area \$5,400 not including concrete. To the put the fire wall on the inside by the trucks \$1,100. The approximate amount for this would be around \$11,000 for the supplies not including labor.
 - i. She also received a quote for panels on the recycling center polycarbonate ones \$71.50 per sheet for 12 sheets and plus labor.
 - j. Chuck said that the sheriff is on hand in the summer time. On his way to work he saw the Barre police. Believe they are working with Washington County Sheriff's Department. Ruth commented on the speeds going pass the sugar house since they have repaved Route 2
5. Additional member for Trails Committee – Betty sent a note to Andy. We will put this on the agenda for next meeting.
6. Water/Wastewater – Ruth had no business.
7. Road Commissioner
 - a. Paving and Lighting for Willey Building – John regarding the lighting and the paving. The lighting is under \$20,000 so we did not need to get a bid. There's a little confusing on who is going to get the job. The pillars are 6,300 pounds. John said that the road equipment would not be able to handle the weight, however, Aldo now says the road crew can set them as he read the weight limit in metric. John said they will need to schedule in to put in the conduit on digging around the playground and the parking lot. John thought it would take three or four days and this will take away from other items.

Mike said to take it out to bid. John is wondering if the Willey Building have money. They do. John suggested Ben Ackermann and will see how much it will be.

- b. John received all the quotes for the 2019/2020 budget of paving. Does he need to get two more quotes to make it work? He has Pike and is wondering if he needs. The Selectboard said yes he needs to get a bid on the paving. Steve is wondering if it needs to be paved. John said it was voted in and explained where the paving would be. This will be Route 215 So, West Hill Pond Road to the spot by Jan Westervelt area, Willey Building Parking lot and Common roadside.
- c. Larry is wondering if they have notice about the side road mower on the loader. Aldo said it was over \$60,000. John said they also have a snowblower to do the sidewalks. John said the other paving by the church before this year ends.
- d. Richie is wondering when they're paving? John stated it will be after July 1 when the new fiscal year begins.
- e. Richie would like to have a sign put in where the hole is located. John said they will pave it that next week. Cabot Plains will be wider and they will try it a year and hoping it will work.
- f. John asked Aldo about the sweeping. Aldo hasn't seen them. John will call them.
- g. Larry wants the lines in before the 4th of July. John said there isn't any money until the next budget.
- h. Grader cuts (Orange book guidelines) – Ted stated that the gravel roads are supposed to get a 2% grade. The gravel is being thrown over the bank. It's not how you fix and grade the road. The cuts in the side of the road is the water is taking the gravel in that. John said maybe one gets too deep. Ted said the road should be on the right slope. Mike is asking if there are guidelines. John and Aldo have them. Betty ordered two new books. Ted would like to have them look at it.
- i. Other business – John is trying to figure out who is going to put the flags out. Betty asked the fire department and they didn't seem to want to do it. John was going to do it with his truck and it couldn't do it with his truck. John said they are at least 14 feet high. Ruth said with a ladder. Larry will help hold the ladder. Fred has the ladder and John said we just need a day to do it. Ruth also volunteered.
- j. Larry wants to say a few minutes meetings ago regarding about Tommy mowing twice. He does the sweeping the next day after the mowing.

8. Town Clerk's Office

- a. Orders - done
- b. Contracts:
 1. Revised Washington Sheriff's Contract – July 1, 2019- June 30, 2020 they have raised the rate by \$.50/hour. They have changed the contract to match our fiscal year. Mike would like to make a recommendation to traffic endorsement. We could specify the terms on how they would patrol the Town of Cabot and put the back roads. Betty read the part of the contract. Mike said if we want certain roads controlled you can put it in the contract. Larry asked if sheriff's are hired for July 4. Betty advised they are. Fred would like to come up with an amendment for this contract. John is wondering if we sign the contract and add the roads. Betty will suggest them sign and add the amendment later. Bobby would think they would be able to add the roads. A motion was made by John with a second by Ruth. Motion passed.
 2. Tan Anticipation Note – Betty put out to bid the note. Passumpsic Bank 2.19% for a line of credit, Union Bank 2.40%, and Community Bank 3.35% Line of credit. A motion was made to remain with Passumpsic Bank with a motion by Ruth 1st and a 2nd by Mike, motion passed.
 3. Central Vermont Humane Society – We pay \$100 for canine and \$50 for feline. Ruth 1st, Mike 2nd, motion passed.
 4. Outside Consumption Permit – Den at Harry's Hardware - Outside Consumption for the 4th of July. John asked Bobby and he explained the one they have it all the time. Mike 1st, John 2nd. Motion passed.

9. Other Business – Betty would like to change the 1st meeting of July to July 1st. All Selectboard members agreed.

10. Executive Session – Insurance Issue – 6:48 Mike 1st, Ruth 2nd. Motion passed.

11. Adjourn – 6:59 pm. Mike 1st, Ruth 2nd. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Betty Ritter,
Town Clerk/Treasurer