

Cherie Dunkley indicated it will be a costly study since we will need to work with our town attorney to interpret previous documentation and determine any legal ramifications if the town decided to take over these roads. She suggested that we do all our research first, then group any questions together and submit to the attorney for interpretation and recommendations.

Conrad Racine suggested we might be able to cut down on lawyer fees by enlisting the help of VLCT in our study and have them advise us of any rulings/ precedents set elsewhere in the State of Vermont that might apply to this situation.

It was agreed that Mark Drapa would attend the October 25th Selectboard Meeting (10 minute timeslot) so the town and Mark can determine the progress of the study.

CIRC HIGHWAY

Suzanne Blanchard met with the Board to discuss the Williston Circ Highway project. She advised the consulting group engaged by VTrans, The Louis Berger Group of New York, identified eleven alternatives to be considered. She was looking for Westford's position on the proposals and any concerns about the DEIS. The topic was discussed and David Tilton asked Suzanne to prepare a letter for the Selectboard's signature. We should receive the letter from Suzanne the week of October 1, 2007.

FIBER OPTIC WORKING GROUP

The Selectboard reviewed the Interlocal Contract. David Tilton signed the document.

Cherie advised the group that a new Fiber Optic Committee needs to be appointed to research and oversee the financial part of the Fiber Optic project. We will be looking for three volunteers who are willing to participate in the next phase of the project. Cherie will prepare the mission statement and a request for volunteers to be included in the October Newsletter.

LIBRARY TRUSTEE RESIGNATION & APPOINTMENT

John Quinn made a motion to accept Prudence Doherty's resignation as Library Trustee, seconded by Cherie Dunkley. Motion passed: 3-0.

John Quinn made a motion to appoint Bree Drapa as Library Trustee as recommended by the Board of Library Trustees, seconded by Cherie Dunkley. Motion passed: 3-0.

ROAD NAME

Cherie Dunkley made a motion to approve Lucas Lane as the private road name, which will serve the John Rocha and Joseph Brusatto properties, seconded by John Quinn. Motion passed: 3-0.

ROAD SCHEDULE

David asked Gary to pull together any data he has on the previous request by the King's Hill Association to have the town take over their roads. Dave would also like to know what it cost at the present time to maintain a road in Westford (per mile cost). He also asked Gary to inspect the King's Hill roads and highlight any areas of concern as part of the survey data he is preparing. Gary should include a comparison on any comparable roads in town.

Cherie Dunkley made a motion to approve the Road Schedule for September 30, 2007 through October 13, 2007, seconded by John Quinn. Motion passed: 3-0.

TRI-STATE BASEMENT

The Selectboard discussed installing a Sanidry basement air system to help prevent mold and mildew (this would be in addition to the work previously agreed upon with Tri-State Basement). The extra cost for the Sanidry air system would be \$1750, which brings the job total to \$10,937.

John Quinn made the motion to install the Sanidry basement air system, seconded by Cherie Dunkley. Motion passed: 3-0

Tri-State Basement's contract requires payment be made in full to the Job Foreman upon completion of the job. John Quinn made a motion authorizing Charlotte Vincent to make the payment as requested, seconded by Cherie Dunkley. Motion passed: 3-0

BILLS/CORRESPONDENCE

The Town Treasurer, Charlotte Vincent, requested permission from the Selectboard to cut a check to pay for the DSL routers as soon as we get an invoice from Mike Servidio. Cherie Dunkley made the motion to approve Charlotte's request, seconded by John Quinn. Motion passed: 3-0

Bills were approved; correspondence was read.

BUSHEY ORDER

The Selectboard reviewed Amanda Lafferty's proposed Environmental Court Order for the Town of Westford vs. Russell Bushey and Karen Bushey. They approved the wording but had concerns with the October 1, 2007 deadline stated in the order. Arlitha will advise Amanda Lafferty of their concern and let her determine whether to revise the date.

MINUTES

David Tilton made a motion to approve the minutes of August 17, 2007 as written, seconded by John Quinn. Motion passed: 3-0.

David Tilton made a motion to approve the minutes of September 13, 2007 as amended, seconded by John Quinn. Motion passed: 3-0.

David Tilton made a motion to approve the minutes of September 19, 2007 as amended, seconded by John Quinn. Motion passed: 3-0.

PENDING AGENDA ITEMS LIST

The Pending Agenda Items List was reviewed and amended.

EXCESS WEIGHT PERMIT

The chair signed an excess weight permit for Carl Simino.

ADJOURN

David Tilton made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Cherie Dunkley. Motion passed: 3-0.

The meeting adjourned at 10:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

David A. Tilton, Chairman
Selectboard

Arlitha Racine
Asst. Town Clerk