

SELECTBOARD MEETING
April 9, 2009

Present:	John Quinn Dave Tilton Robert Bancroft	Gary Estus Nanette Rogers Sue Adams
Guests:	Mary Campi	Maurice Rathbun

The meeting was called to order by John Quinn at 7:02 p.m.

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

The Board and Maurice Rathbun discussed the context of violation notices and the process of issuing them. Maurice advised that he sends a courtesy letter to property owners in violation. If the owner does not contact Maurice by a specified date he then issues the violation notice. The Board proposed revisions to the notice to clarify the language relative to the fine and that the notice is based on State Statute. The revised notice will be sent to the attorney to review.

BILLS

Bills were approved.

RESCUE DOG DONATIONS

Mary Campi met with the Board and Treasurer to discuss the donations for rescue services being provided by Mary. The donations will be held in an account that can be drawn from for veterinarian and support needs. She can draw up to \$200 without obtaining Selectboard approval. Mary will put a notice in the newsletter seeking donations.

The Board and Mary also discussed developing a procedural policy with regard to taking in stray animals and finding their owners.

FAIRPOINT PETITION FOR POLE REPLACEMENT

The Board approved a petition for pole replacements on Covey Road.

ROAD SCHEDULE

The Board feels that replacing the dump body on the 1996 truck is a better choice than repairing it.

Letters will be sent to people that posted comments on the Front Porch Forum with regard to road maintenance to solicit them as members of the Road Committee. Dave Whitney will be solicited as chair.

The Board would like Gary to provide a list of areas that need to be restored for mud season.

Dave Tilton made a motion to approve the Road Schedule for April 11, 2009 through April 24, 2009, seconded by Bob Bancroft. Motion passed: 3-0.

UTILITY LINE REQUEST

The Board approved a request submitted by Eustis Cable to bury a line along Allen Irish Road. Work to be completed between May 1, 2009 and May 31, 2009.

RELOCATION OF SPEED LIMIT SIGN ON ROUTE 128

Dave Tilton made a motion to approve a request to relocate a 40mph speed limit sign located north of the village on Route 128 approximately 50 feet, seconded by Bob Bancroft. Motion passed: 3-0. A letter will be sent to the State for their approval.

COMPUTER BACKUP OPTIONS

Technology Consultants presented the town with two options of backing up the town office computers. John would like to look into an off-site backup option before making any decisions.

CHITTENDEN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE - CONTRACT

The Chair signed a contract for law enforcement services to be provided by the Chittenden County Sheriff's Office from May to October.

CAPITAL BUDGET

Bob met with Samantha Tilton. To date the RPC has utilized 13 hours, which accounts for approximately \$1,150, in creating the capital budget. Bob feels that the work Melissa has done is adequate and all the town needs is the listing of liabilities. Bob asked Sam to set up a template that the town could use to generate different reports from the capital budget. The Selectboard will need to decide how to determine the priority of items using a scale (e.g. 1 – 5) taking into consideration whether grant funds are available and the need of the item.

CLIMATE CHANGE GRANT AGREEMENT

The Board reviewed the Climate Change Grant agreement. The personnel line item of \$3,928.50 needs to be clarified. Is it staff time or labor? John will consult with Pat Haller.

Bob Bancroft made a motion to authorize John Quinn to sign the agreement upon consulting with Pat Haller, seconded by Dave Tilton. Motion passed: 3-0.

MINUTES

Dave Tilton made a motion to approve the minutes of March 26, 2009 as amended, seconded by Bob Bancroft. Motion passed: 3-0.

Dave Tilton made a motion to approve the minutes of March 19, 2009 as written, seconded by Bob Bancroft. Motion passed: 3-0.

Dave Tilton made a motion to approve the minutes of February 26, 2009 as written, seconded by Bob Bancroft. Motion passed: 3-0.

INSURANCE OPT OUT POLICY

The Board decided to compensate eligible employees who obtain health insurance from an outside source 25% of the premium. The compensation will be paid monthly to the employee.

EXCESS WEIGHT PERMITS

The chair signed excess weight permits for Darryl Hayden, Wayne's Construction, Vermont Well & Pump, C. Perry Trucking, Goodhue Excavation, Inc., Norman Snider, Moe DuBois Excavating, Redline Unlimited, Alan Mossey & Sons Excavating, Gauthier Trucking Company, Keenan Construction, Wayne Russin Excavating, Cox Trucking, Big Dog Trucking, L.W. Young Excavating, Tatro Brothers Concrete, and Rox Asphalt.

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ADJOURN

Dave Tilton made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Bob Bancroft. Motion passed: 3-0.

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

John Quinn
Selectboard Chair

Nanette Rogers
Town Clerk