

**SELECTBOARD MEETING**  
**May 14, 2009**

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

The meeting was called to order by John Quinn at 7:01 p.m.

**TOWN CENTER DISTRICT REGULATION LANGUAGE**

Melissa Manka provided maps depicting an overlay of the soils; the west side is more developable. Dave asked about public building, particularly senior housing. Melissa advised that senior housing is permitted in the Town Common and Town Village District. Acreage minimums do not apply to senior housing; determination is based on lot coverage. Senior housing is not allowed in the Town Center District. Paul Birnholz asked why senior housing is not allowed in the outer District. Melissa stated that the Planning Commission felt the center should be the hub therefore the outer district would not be within walking distance. John Quinn stated that a senior housing building may be overwhelming in the Town Common District by comparing it to a facility in Fairfax. He added that this type of development would have more of a chance in the outer ring due to septic.

Dave Tilton feels that acreage is not as important as designating uses within the districts. Bob and John agreed.

Dave Tilton made a motion for the Town Center district to be 1 acre zoning and for senior housing to be allowed as a Conditional Use in the Town Center District, seconded by Bob Bancroft. Motion passed: 3-0.

**WATER RESOURCE OVERLAY (WRO) DISTRICT LANGUAGE**

Melissa distributed proposed language to remove reference to septic systems within the WRO. This language will be easy to follow and more clearly defined for the Development Review Board.

Dave Tilton made a motion to accept the new language as proposed, seconded by Bob Bancroft. Motion passed: 3-0.

The public hearing is scheduled for Thursday, June 25<sup>th</sup>.

**CAPITAL BUDGET**

Bob advised that the town's liabilities are printed in the town report. He will contact Sam and hopes to have something for the next meeting.

**ROAD SCHEDULE**

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.

### **TREES FOR STREAMS PROGRAM**

The Agency of Natural Resources (ANR) and the Winooski Conservation District (WCD) have designed a tree plan for the Town's KP Lot. The cost to the Town is \$60.00. Jason Hoover advised Melissa that ash would be the best tree. The WCD has already ordered the trees; some are ash, the remainder are maples and poplars.

Bob Bancroft made a motion to go forward with the planting provided there is a reasonable expectation that the species will do well, seconded by Dave Tilton. Motion passed: 3-0.

John Quinn stated that the trees should be planted in a manner that doesn't impact the parking lot because the fire department uses it for its water supply. John would like to conduct a site visit with Jason and Melissa to stake out where the trees should be planted. Also, ANR and WCD should use silt fencing when planting the trees to protect the river.

### **MUNICIPAL EDUCATION GRANT PROGRAM FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING**

Municipalities may apply for an education grant up to \$800 from the Vermont Land Use Education and Training Collaborative each year. The deadline for applications is May 15<sup>th</sup>. Melissa advised that South Burlington has asked Westford and Hinesburg to join them in applying for the grant to hire an expert with regard to affordable housing. If Westford participates, the information obtained from the expert will assist the Planning Commission with the language for the Town Plan. The Board approved applying for the grant.

### **FAIRPOINT PETITION FOR POLE REPLACEMENT**

The Board approved a petition for pole replacements on Old Stage Road.

### **UTILITY LINE REQUEST**

The Board discussed with the Road Foreman a request submitted by Eustis Cable to bury a line along Huntley Road. The project includes the area planned for a culvert replacement within the next year or two. The Board approved the request conditional upon Comcast being available to work with the Town when the culvert is replaced and as long as the streambed and banks are not be disturbed.

### **ACCESS PERMITS**

The Board approved access permits for Geoffrey and Diane Forsey (Manley Road) and Leslie Moore (Prospect Hill).

### **INSURANCE OPT OUT POLICY – PART TIME EMPLOYEES**

The Board discussed whether the insurance opt out policy should apply to all part time employees or only those that are covered under another health insurance policy. The Board does not want to encourage no insurance coverage therefore the policy will apply only to those employees who can provide proof of insurance.

Dave Tilton made a motion to compensate eligible part time employees 25% of the Town's share of the health insurance premium, which will be remitted to the employee the following month, as long as they provide proof of insurance, seconded by Bob Bancroft. Motion passed: 3-0.

### **MARTEL LANE – RIGHT OF WAY TO TOWN LOT**

The right of way to the Town's lot has been blocked with tires and gravel; signs have also been posted. The Board would like a copy of the tax map for the next meeting.

**CLIMATE CHANGE GRANT**

The chair signed the Climate Change grant.

**BILLS/CORRESPONDENCE**

Bills were approved, correspondence was read.

**MINUTES**

Bob Bancroft made a motion to approve the minutes of April 16, 2009 as written, seconded by John Quinn. Motion passed: 3-0.

Dave Tilton made a motion to approve the minutes of April 23, 2009 as amended, seconded by Bob Bancroft. Motion passed: 3-0.

Dave Tilton made a motion to approve the minutes of April 30, 2009 as amended, seconded by Bob Bancroft. Motion passed: 3-0.

**EXCESS WEIGHT PERMITS**

The chair signed excess weight permits for Ted Pelkey, H.A. Manosh Corp., David Spaulding, Blaine Kittell, Premier Paving, and Warren Palmer.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Dave Tilton made a motion to enter Executive Session at 9:23 p.m. to discuss a legal opinion, seconded by Bob Bancroft. Motion passed: 3-0. People in attendance were John Quinn, Dave Tilton, Bob Bancroft and Nanette Rogers.

Dave Tilton made a motion to exit Executive Session at 9:34 p.m., seconded by Bob Bancroft. Motion passed: 3-0.

Dave Tilton made a motion to seek legal counsel as to how to proceed with collection of the fine assessed on Tim Budell, seconded by Bob Bancroft. Motion passed: 3-0.

**ADJOURN**

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

The meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

John Quinn  
Selectboard Chair

Nanette Rogers  
Town Clerk