

Selectboard members present: Peter Marsh, Tony Porter, Susan Jefferies (Chair)
Others present: Tom Estey, Kerry Kurt

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm.

Minutes: P. Marsh moved to approve the minutes of the April 5, April 12 10:00 am, April 12 5:30 pm, and April 18 Selectboard meetings. T. Porter seconded. Voted and approved.

Bills: P. Marsh moved to instruct the Treasurer to pay the bills as presented. T. Porter seconded. Voted and approved.

Road Foreman's Report: Otter Creek Engineering plans to meet with the Agency of Natural Resources tomorrow to discuss replacement of the culvert on Ben Roberts Road. T. Estey and T. Porter will be attending a Risk Management seminar in Bristol, and T. Estey will be attending a workshop on FEMA requirements for selecting contractors.

P. Marsh suggested that the Selectboard explore the possibility of changing the status of a section of Mason Hill to a trail. This would be between the cemetery and the driveway at 1525. P. Marsh also mentioned that the landfill is due for an inspection. He will arrange for the engineer.

T. Porter asked about adding a sign at the ballfield reminding people to remove dog waste. He will also post a reminder on Front Porch Forum.

Mail:

- **Post Office Repairs** - The Selectboard received a letter from the US Postal Service stating that they plan to repair an exterior light and bill the town for the repair. The light was installed by the PO, so repairs should not be billed to the town. P. Marsh will respond to the Post Office.
- **Addison County Regional Planning Commission** – T. Porter moved to reappoint Rich Warren as a representative to ACRPC. P. Marsh seconded. Voted and approved. Starksboro is allowed up to two delegates. K. Kurt expressed interest in being appointed to the open position. S. Jefferies will advertise the opening on Front Porch Forum and the Selectboard will schedule interviews.

T. Porter moved to reappoint Jan McCleery and Susan Reit de Salas to the Transportation Advisory Committee. P. Marsh seconded. Voted and approved.

Visitor's Business:

- **Kerry Kurt** – K. Kurt asked about the status of the property sale. S. Jefferies said that the Zoning Administrator is preparing the paperwork for the Development Review Board. The DRB is required to review all boundary adjustments. The Selectboard agreed that the preliminary survey should be finalized.

K. Kurt also asked permission to put her cows on the property she is purchasing to help control the poison parsnip growing there. This would be at the far north end of the property. She would install a hotwire fence. The Selectboard agreed that she could do this.

Zoning Regulations: T. Porter reported that Jim Geier has concerns about the proposed regulations. K. Kurt requested a copy of the regulations. They are being printed and will be available at the town office soon. Informational meetings are scheduled for Tuesday, May 10 from 7:00 to 9:00 pm and for Saturday, June 25 from 10:00 until noon.

New Business:

- **Class 4 Road Maintenance Policy** – T. Porter discussed what other towns do to maintain Class 4 roads, which is generally less than has been done in Starksboro. He will prepare a draft policy for review.
- **Scale House** – T. Porter said this would be a good time to remove the scale house at the gravel pit because the hydraulic hammer is on site. The Fire Department will remove the items they have stored there. K. Kurt asked to be given the scale. The Selectboard did not make a decision about the scale at this time.
- **Policies** – P. Marsh asked where copies of policies adopted by the Selectboard were maintained. There was discussion about keeping all policies in a binder at the town office.

Agenda Items for Next Meeting:

- Garage construction update
- Zoning bylaws
- Update on paperwork for DRB regarding sale of land

May meetings will be on the 3rd and 17th. There will be an informational meeting about the proposed zoning regulations on May 10th at 7 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Jefferies