

**Starksboro Town Garage Committee Meeting
March 31, 2015**

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Selectboard members present: Peter Marsh, Susan Jefferies (Chair)

Others present: Tom Estey, Bill Coon, Dennis Hysko, Marjorie Dickstein, Rick Burroughs, Kate Coffey, Steve Kowalski

S. Jefferies called meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

Town Garage Committee: Rick Burroughs and Kate Coffey (Black River Design) reviewed changes to the probably cost estimate. This construction cost estimate includes treatment for the garage floor. The Committee made final adjustments to the non-construction costs, including removal of an \$8,000 allowance for moving and storage and the addition of \$19,600 for owner costs. The adjusted total was \$1,687,089, which does not include the Phase 1 architects' fees. The Committee expects to receive approximately \$2,500 in incentives from Efficiency Vermont, and will have \$35,000 cash on hand after paying for Phase 1. The net amount to be voted was set at \$1,650,000.

The Committee reviewed possible dates for a vote, and selected May 19 [subsequently amended to May 26 to fit the Town Clerk's schedule].

There was discussion about demonstrating the need for a new town garage to the voters. Kate Coffey distributed samples of informational letters used by other towns and school districts. S. Jefferies will draft a letter and distribute for the Committee's review. A public meeting must be held within 10 days before the Australian ballot vote.

April meetings will be on the 7th and 28th.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Jefferies