

Selectboard members present: Peter Marsh, Tony Porter, Susan Jefferies (Chair)
Others present: Tom Estey, Alan Quittner, Kerry Kurt, Marjorie Dickstein, Jan McCleery, Dan Hanson, Laurie Casserly

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

Minutes: T. Porter moved to approve the minutes of the May 3, 2016 Selectboard meeting. P. Marsh seconded. Voted and approved.

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

Road Foreman's Report: T. Estey reported that the phone is being moved to the new garage tomorrow. The contractor is working to resolve a few issues with lighting and heating/cooling systems. The road crew expects to be operating from the new garage later this week. The public open house is scheduled for Saturday, June 18 from 9:30 am to noon.

T. Estey distributed a proposed timeline for the culvert replacement on Ben Roberts Road. The proposal from Otter Creek Engineering would have the work completed by the end of September 2016.

Mail: The Selectboard reviewed a request from Green Mountain Power to upgrade and relocate the electric line on Jerusalem Road. The Board is concerned that the proposed work would interfere with possible plans to upgrade Fire Station #2 by the Jerusalem Schoolhouse. T. Porter will ask that a representative from GMP attend the next Selectboard meeting to discuss.

Visitor's Business:

- **Alan Quittner, Marjorie Dickstein and Kerry Kurt** each met with the Selectboard to discuss their interest in being a delegate to the Addison County Regional Planning Commission.
- **Jan McCleery** – J. McCleery reported on recent activity in the Transportation Advisory Committee (a committee of ACRPC). The TAC was charged with ranking state projects to be done in Addison County. After discussion with T. Estey, she recommended that the culvert replacement on Gore Road be our highest ranked item, and the culvert on Tatro Road by Common Ground be next. These projects were approved, and are on the three year schedule.

J. McCleery also talked about a new program available for “pop-up” projects. This program makes grants available to test a project to see whether it works. She suggested that we apply to install a temporary crosswalk on Rt 116 during vacation bible school this summer. The Selectboard approved.

There was discussion about Vermont's Neighborhood Development Area Designation. The Selectboard reviewed a chart of benefits available, including priority funding for various grants.

- **Dan Hanson and Laurie Casserly** – D. Hanson reviewed problems he and his wife have had with their neighbor's dog, including dog bites and instances of the dog behaving in a threatening way. He presented a summary of several issues and pictures of injuries. He and L. Casserly also noted that the neighbors (Amos and Chantal Palmer) are living in a seasonal camp year round, and that they store junk and scrap metal outdoors on their property.

D. Hanson proposed a compromise whereby the Palmers would get rid of their dog, remove all but one junk car, remove the junk and scrap metal stored outdoors, and resume snow-plowing Rounds Road, for which they would be paid by the other residents of the road. If the Palmers do these things, D. Hanson and L. Casserly will not file a complaint about the Palmers' use of their seasonal camp as a permanent home.

P. Marsh noted that there were three separate complaints – vicious dog, living in a seasonal home, and storing junk outside. He also said that the Selectboard did not have the authority to negotiate zoning on a case by case basis.

There was discussion about whether the dog should have been quarantined at home after biting D. Hanson, and what action could be taken. L. Casserly noted that something should have been done at the time of the dog bite. P. Marsh will ask Wayne Marcelle (Animal Control Officer) to attend the next Selectboard meeting to discuss issuing a notice of violation and impounding the dog. D. Hanson asked to be notified about the meeting, and also before any action was taken. T. Porter will communicate with him.

Old Business:

- **Scale House** – T. Porter reported that he has arranged for a 30 yard roll off to remove the scale house. The roll off will also be used to dispose of items from the old town garage that are no longer needed. The cost will be under \$1,000. The scale can be sold for scrap metal.
- **Repairs at Town Office** – Mitch Horner will repair gutters and flashing. He also proposed a solution for the musty odor in the Listers' office. The work in the Listers' office cannot be done until fall. The Selectboard will review the proposal at a future meeting. The Listers report that the air purifier is working well.

New Business:

- **Library** – The Selectboard agreed that it would make sense for the Library to coordinate the use of the Library by outside groups.

- **Village Center** – P. Marsh asked whether the town should consider designating a village center. He noted that we would have received additional points toward the salt shed grant had we established a village center.
- **Fire Station Roof** – There is a leak in the roof. P. Marsh will look into it.

Deliberative Session: P. Marsh moved to go into deliberative session to discuss the appointment to the ACRPC. T. Porter seconded. Entered deliberative session at 8:45 pm. Deliberative session ended at 8:48 pm.

P. Marsh moved to appoint Marjorie Dickstein as a delegate to the Addison County Regional Planning Commission. T. Porter seconded. Voted and approved.

Agenda Items for Next Meeting:

- Wayne Marcelle re dog complaints on Rounds Road and Hidden Acres
- Green Mountain Power re line upgrade and relocation

June meetings will be on the 7th and 21st. There will be an informational meeting about the proposed zoning regulations on June 25th at 10 am. July meetings will be on the 5th and 19th. S. Jefferies will not be available for the meeting on July 19th.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Jefferies