

Draft Minutes - Subject to Amendment
West Fairlee Selectboard Meeting
Monday August 18, 2014

Present: Beverly Ash, Cory Austin, Fred Cook, Marilyn Dresser, Delsie Hoyt

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

Fred Cook moved to approve the Minutes of the August 8, 2014 Regular Meeting; Cory Austin seconded; passed.

Visitors/ Hear and act on reports of Town Officers and Committees

- Planning Commission: Skip Brown has made his resignation from the Planning Commission official; they are moving to Burlington in September. Bev Ash moved to accept his resignation with regrets, and thank him for his many years of service; Fred Cook seconded; passed.

Roads

- Cook Hill: Fred Cook had gone to look at the beginning of the washout; he agreed the old post and cable guardrail over the bank should be removed. The other guardrail needs to be reset. Hoyt noted that that guardrail on the culvert below Beebe's pond also needs to be replaced. Ash asked about liability concerning guardrails; there are a few hot spots which require attention.
- Driveway Access permit – On Scrabble Hollow; Jonathan & Fred will look at it.
- Cargill – The quote per ton for deicing salt is substantially higher this year. Hoyt noted that the Town receives the State bid price. Bev Ash moved to accept the bid from Cargill for salt for the season; Cory Austin seconded; passed. The increase will have to be taken into account when next year's budget is done.

Public Safety/Ordinance Enforcement

- Clarification of 911 dispatch procedure for Orange County Sheriff response – Delsie contacted the Orange County Sheriff about the rumor that they refused to respond to a call in Chelsea. If 911 is called, central dispatch does not automatically tone Orange County Sheriff unless the caller asks; only the state police are normally dispatched. OCSD may also be called directly.
- Status unregistered dogs/dog complaints - Letters have gone out; they have until next Wednesday. There are only three left; everyone else has come in.
- Consider changes to Dog Ordinance to conform with new laws – The League is working on the language, and will send it out when they are done. Bev also has notes to contribute from a recent seminar.

Old Business

- E911 progress - Nothing new to report.
- Building Maintenance – Joe needs to paint the library where the windows were replaced before Viola can put everything back where it belongs; Delsie will talk to him about it. Cory suggested that while West Fairlee Road is paved we have them pave the walkway in order to avoid tracking gravel in and damaging the floors. Bev Ash moved to get the walkway paved

along with West Fairlee Road; Marilyn Dresser seconded; passed, pending a reasonable price.

New Business

- PACIF (municipal insurer) building inspection results – The report noted too few outlets in the library; power bars were overloaded, and extension cords may not be used. An electrician will be contacted to provide a quote for these upgrades. There are a few minor maintenance issues noted that will be added to the list for Joe Sampson.
- Memo of Understanding with Library and Historical Society re: liability and casualty coverage – PACIF noted that there needs to be a formal agreement with both the library and the Historical Society to explicitly state what insurance coverage they are responsible for. In the past it was written as a lease, but a previous Selectboard dispensed with it, and it needs to be redone.
- Recap joint Selectboard meeting concerning Lake Fairlee Dam – A good meeting; more meetings to inform townspeople will be set up for the fall at the committee's next meeting. Fred Cook will continue to keep the Selectboard informed.
- Warn alternate date for Sept 1 regular meeting? (Labor Day) – The Selectboard will meet on its regular first Monday even though it's Labor Day.
- 2014-15 propane quote - Perry's is providing the Town's propane this winter for \$1.86 a gallon.

Bev Ash moved to sign orders; Cory Austin seconded; passed.

Review Correspondence

- VTrans - Information on available grants

Upcoming Events

- Tax Sale Aug 27, 2014 3:30 p.m.
- Cooley Kearns is organizing a pruning/trimming session on the green for Thursday 3-6 pm.
- Primary election on Tuesday, August 26th; BCA members are needed.
- GUVSW Scrap Metal/Tires Saturday September 13th, at VTrans garage /salt shed, West Fairlee Road (Crossroad)

The meeting was adjourned at 6:08 pm.