

Minutes
West Fairlee Selectboard Meeting
Monday March 4, 2013

Present: Beverly Ash, Fred Cook, Delsie Hoyt

The meeting was called to order at 6pm.

Ash moved to approve the minutes of the February 18, 2013 regular meeting as presented; Cook seconded; approved.

Roads

With recent warmer weather, mud is beginning to emerge. Jonathan Blake notified the Selectboard Chair that they have posted the roads. Hoyt noted that two logging operations were winding down in South Vershire and one has asked to haul on colder mornings. Blake also noted a mud problem on Godfrey Road and asked that a Selectboard Member contact Tim Cramer about scheduling fuel deliveries for his sugaring operation.

Hoyt received a complaint from a resident following Sunday's dusting of snow that the Town was not using enough sand.

Old Business

In view of approval of community building renovations, recycling will have to be relocated during construction. Hoyt pointed out that the lease for the salt shed property on the Crossroad includes recycling/transfer station as an approved use, and this may be a better location anyway. The relocation and change of provider will be deferred until snow clears so that the site can be prepared with fill and possible improvements for access.

New Business

Community Building Renovations: Financing for Phase I renovations were approved at Saturday's Town Meeting. Hoyt noted that contractor G.R. Porter would hope to begin the project in late spring or early summer. Hoyt has requested guidance from the Town's municipal bank about documents and procedures required to secure the construction line of credit.

Response to FY2012 audit: The Selectboard reviewed the audit Management Letter from Sullivan & Powers. Hoyt will craft a response to the auditors and circulate it.

Annual Highway Grant application has been received.

Copies of new Highway Codes and Standards were distributed for review. An added benefit of adopting the updated standards is that the Town portion of grant match is reduced for Class II Road and Structures grants. Action was deferred until the next meeting.

Renewal application for Village Center Designation was distributed for review along with a summary of the benefits of this designation and a copy of the original application submitted in 2005. The renewal is due in May.

Transfer from tax anticipation note (TAN): Per request from Treasurer, Rhonda Cook, Fred Cook moved to authorize transfer of \$25,000 from the TAN to the general fund; Ash seconded; approved.

Other Business:

Ash reported that a group of community members is meeting to organize the reinstatement of West Fairlee Day. No date has been selected. Bonnie Cray had informed the Selectboard that liability would be covered under the Meeting House's insurance policy. The Selectboard will ask PACIF, the Town's insurer to review the coverage once more details are known.

Ash reported that the library will have Saturday hours to help increase utilization.

Ash moved to sign the orders; Cook seconded; approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:40 pm.