

SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, May 20, 2014, 6:00 p.m, Old Schoolhouse Common

Present: Selectboard members John Warshow, Chris Martin, and Andy Perchlik; Town Clerk Bobbi Brimblecombe; Building Superintendent Ernie Penley

At 6:00 p.m. the meeting was called to order by Chair Chris Martin

Old Schoolhouse Common: Ernie addressed the Board about the gym. When they insulated the foundation, they did not do the bottom of the foundation because they only dug down 8 feet. Water now follows the wall down and comes in at the bottom of the wall. He feels that we need to dig down 10 feet and put in a drain. More water came in this year than he could handle. Chris asked whether there is enough slope to get a drain out over the bank. Ernie said they can tie into the floor drain. The Board members viewed the gym floor and wall. Ernie removed some of the wall covering and will leave it off until the next rain storm, to see if he can tell where the water is coming from.

The seniors left a cabinet in the senior center but it needs a new top. Chris will check the price of a new top.

Old Town Forest: Andy has talked to Rich Cowart. He will meet with him to discuss clarifying the boundaries between the town forest and the Drew Mountain Associates property.

Unlicensed Dogs: The dog belonging to Eric Lykens has been licensed in Swanton.

Dead Cows: The Board received a complaint about 10 dead cows belonging to Philip Leibold. The Health Officer and Animal Control Officer investigated and found that the animals died of pneumonia and were under the care of a veterinarian. His remaining animals appear to be in good health.

Tax Penalty: The Board discussed whether or not to penalize taxpayers who did not file their homestead declaration on time.

Personnel: The Board discussed the proposed CDL drug testing policy. They will review it further at the next meeting.

Route 2 Culvert: We have submitted contours and data to the Agency of Transportation and they are reviewing it. They will do a hydrologic analysis.

Winter Sand: Road Foreman Dan Tetreault found that the sand from the hydro dam will not work for roads because it is too fine and doesn't have any stone in it. Bobbi has advertised for proposals and bills will be due at the next meeting.

Zoning Fees: The Board revised the zoning fee schedule.

Stranahan Town Forest: Chris and John reported on a Stranahan Stewardship Committee meeting that they attended with the Vermont Land Trust to discuss wetlands.

Emergency Generator: The Board changed the location of the proposed emergency generator to the Town Garage, to avoid being in the floodplain. The grant application is being prepared by the State and the Regional Planning Commission.

Expenses, Permits & Payroll: Selectboard members read and signed reports for General Expenses and Payroll. They approved the minutes of the May 6, 2014 meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Bobbi Brimblecombe, Town Clerk

The foregoing is a true copy of the Minutes of the May 20, 2014 Selectboard Meeting.
A True Record. Attest, _____, Town Clerk
