

## SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES

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Tuesday, August 20, 2013, 6:00 p.m., Old Schoolhouse Common

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Present: Selectboard members John Warshow and Chris Martin; Town Clerk Bobbi Brimblecombe; Planning Commissioner Faeterri Silver; Will Walters (Hardwick Gazette)

At 6:38 p.m. the meeting was called to order by Chair John Warshow.

**Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission:** Faeterri Silver asked the Selectboard to hold a formal vote on the merger with the Central Vermont Economic Development Council, before the merger vote on October 8<sup>th</sup>. There is a public hearing on September 10<sup>th</sup>. At this point both John and Chris feel that the merger does not offer any benefit to the Town but they will wait until after the public hearing to make their final decision.

**Errors & Omissions:** The Selectboard gave Bobbi the request that was signed at the last meeting and inadvertently taken away with their paperwork.

**PACE Program:** Bobbi explained that the way the program is written, the Town would have to collect late payments but the details of how that could be accomplished have not been worked out yet. The Selectboard declined to take any action at this time.

**Zoning Question:** Tom Rus has phoned John about the property that he purchased at tax sale. John reiterated to him that if he wants a certificate of occupancy, he needs to prove that the property has a working septic system.

**Fish Passage:** Chris met with the Friends of the Winooski regarding their proposal to install a rock weir on the dump side of a culvert on Peck Place, to make it easier for trout to move upstream. The weir will make the water a little deeper in the culvert during low water situations. Chris did not see any problems with the structure, but he told them to talk to the neighboring land owners. The weir would be constructed with the low spot in the middle of the stream, so that the water will not be diverted to the banks. John asked whether we would be responsible for maintenance of the weir in the future. Bobbi will ask Ann Smith of the Friends.

They Friends of the Winooski are also looking at the Tibbetts Road. They would like to install a prefabricated bridge for that road (in place of the existing metal culvert), and they are asking the Town how wide the road needs to be. The road is currently Class 3. The Selectboard will not lower the grade of the road, and they will need to build to the Class 3 standards. Bobbi will let them know.

**Old Schoolhouse Common:** Building Superintendent Ernie Penley submitted a request to put banisters on the wall side of the stairwell. The Board looked at the stairwells. Chris will talk to Ernie about it and ask him to come up with a price.

**Expenses, Permits & Payroll:** Selectboard members read and signed reports for General Expenses

and Payroll.

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Bobbi Brimblecombe, Town Clerk

The foregoing is a true copy of the Minutes of the August 20, 2013 Selectboard Meeting.  
A True Record. Attest, \_\_\_\_\_, Town Clerk

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