

## SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES

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Tuesday, June 7, 2016, 6:00 p.m, Old Schoolhouse Common

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Present: Selectboard members Laurie Colgan and Andy Perchlik; Town Clerk Bobbi Brimblecombe; Dan Tetreault (Road Foreman); James Arisman (Health Officer and Constable)

At 6:15 p.m. the meeting was called to order by Chair Andy Perchlik

**Changes or additions to the agenda:** lister grant, generator grant, penalty on tax bills, hole in OSC lawn

**Review and Approval of Minutes:** The Board approved the minutes of 4/19, 5/3, and 5/17. The Board tabled the minutes of 5/7.

**Old Schoolhouse Common - Building Maintenance, Building Cleaning:** Dan Tetreault has worked with Building Superintendent Ernie Penley to learn what his job is, so that he can fill in until someone else is hired. Dan is not interested in becoming the new cleaning person. Bobbi reported on how Cabot and Plainfield manage the cleaning and maintenance of their community buildings. The Board asked Bobbi to put something on Front Porch Forum for cleaning the Old Schoolhouse Common, with proposals to be due by June 21. For now, the Town Clerk's Office will call contractors when maintenance is required, and the Selectboard will do an annual schedule of maintenance issues to be addressed each year.

**Town Sand Pile:** Dan explained that the road crew has put up signs every year but kids still climb on the pile. The Board asked him to get more permanent signs.

**Bids for Creamery Street paving:** The Board opened and read the following bids:

Whitcomb: \$66.59 per ton, plus 1.50 per yard for reclaiming

Pike Industries: \$61.25 per ton, plus 2.25 per yard for reclaiming

S.T. Paving: \$72.50 per ton, but no price given for reclaiming.

Laurie moved to accept the Pike bid. Andy seconded – all in favor.

**Bids for pellets for Old Schoolhouse Common fuel:** The Board opened and read the following bids:

Sandri \$375/ton

Vermont Renewable Fuels: \$284/ton

Lyme Green Heat: \$248/ton

Maine Energy Systems \$259/ton, \$249/ton if paid within 10 days.

Bourne: \$252/ton

Andy moved to accept the bid from Bourne, noting that their pellets have higher BTU's, less ash, and come from Vermont mills. Laurie seconded – all in favor.

**Chickens:** James explained that he has spoken with the owner of the chickens and he has said he would put up a fence.

**Additional complaint about Vivian Davis's dogs:** Bobbi received two more complaints from Mrs. Celley and she has also heard from one of the Twinfield bus drivers that the dogs were out again. James will investigate enforcement options.

**Trash/sanitary complaint – VT Route 232:** James went by the trailer several times and left a business card. The owner of the camper called and admitted that he is living in the camper. James explained that living in the camper is causing a legal problem for the property owner. The occupant stated that he would be out before June 22<sup>nd</sup>, the deadline that has been agreed to between James and the property owner.

**Cemetery work:** Dan talked to the Selectboard about fixing the wall in Dwinell Cemetery. Because of the trenching rules, the only way for the Town to do the repair is to close at least one lane of Beaver Meadow Road so the area can be shelved. The Board approved of the plan. They approved a proposal by Joe Mangan to fix two broken stones. They discussed the trees hanging over the Rich-Hollister cemetery. Bobbi will try to get in touch with the adjoining landowner.

**Village designation:** Andy moved to authorize the Planning Commission to work with the Village Trustees to apply for a village designation. Laurie seconded – all in favor.

**Town Email Address for Selectboard members:** Bobbi will set up email addresses for Andy and Laurie, and ask Chris if he wants one.

**Town Garage – Furnace problems:** Andy has looked into a pellet boiler for the town garage but it doesn't seem economically feasible. The Board asked Bobbi to get bids for a new heating system, propane and oil.

**Generator:** The Town has been notified that we will be getting a grant for a generator. Rich

Phillips will work with a generator company to get an evaluation.

**Tax Penalty:** The Board discussed the penalty for people who file their homestead declarations after the deadline. The Board decided to add the penalty but to lower it to 5%.

**Lister training:** The Board executed the grant agreement for the state training funds.

**Beavers:** The State suggested that we should hire someone to deal with the beavers. The Board will ask the Conservation Commission to talk with a few experts and see if they would be willing to do an estimate.

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Bobbi Brimblecombe, Town Clerk

The foregoing is a true copy of the Minutes of the June 7, 2016 Selectboard Meeting.  
A True Record. Attest, \_\_\_\_\_, Town Clerk

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