

Minutes

West Fairlee Selectboard Meeting Monday July 16, 2012

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

The meeting was called to order at 6 p.m.

Approve Minutes of July 1, 2012: Ash moved to approve the minutes as presented; Austin seconded; and the motion passed unanimously.

Visitors/ Reports of Town Officers and Committees:

Roads

- **Marsh Hill Bridge project:** A tentative bid/construction schedule has been set. Army Corps should be signing off on August 10 allowing for the project to go out to bid August 13th. Cook moved to approve the Temporary Construction Easement for the temporary bridge crossing on the Sanborn property; Austin seconded; approved unanimously.
- **Other road issues:** Additional road signs must be ordered. Current projects underway were noted. Blakes will be invited to the August 6th meeting to provide an update on the balance of summer road work.

Old Business

- **Basic Emergency Operations Plan:** Austin and Hoyt are collecting and compiling the information necessary to flesh out the plan. Document should be ready to submit to TRORC by the next meeting.
- **Update Library/Office move:** A fantastic group of volunteers responded over the past couple of weeks to paint the new space and move books and shelving. Key Communication will wire and network the Town Clerk, Lister, and Selectboard computers and install a phone system with voice mail options.
- **Public records vault:** Hoyt will contact Barrett and Schaal to obtain an updated schedule for the project.
- **Untagged dogs:** It appears that all known delinquent dog owners have either paid or otherwise contacted the Town Clerk.

New Business

- **Set FY2012 Tax Rate:** A worksheet for setting the Town tax rate was reviewed. Cook moved that the Selectboard set the 2012 Town tax rate at 0.7539 per \$100 of assessed property value which results in a combined Town/School non-resident tax rate of 2.2431 and a homestead (resident) tax rate of 2.4884; Austin seconded; and the motion carried unanimously.
- **Special Town Meeting for Town Plan:** Austin moved that the Selectboard warn a Special Town Meeting for Tuesday August 28th from 10am to 7pm for the Town to vote on the proposed Town Plan by Australian ballot; and that an informational

meeting be held Monday August 20th at 6 pm prior to the Selectboard's regularly scheduled meeting. Ash seconded the motion; and all voted in favor.

Ash moved that a single article be placed on the August 28th Town Meeting ballot to read: "Shall the Town approve the proposed 2012-2017 Town Plan?". Cook seconded; and the motion carried unanimously. Hoyt will contact the Town Clerk to record the warning and develop the ballot and will post and advertise the warning according to statute.

Other Business/Agenda Items (to be acted on at next regular meeting)

Sign Orders: Ash moved to sign the orders; Austin seconded; approved unanimously.

Review Correspondence

Upcoming Events

Tuesday July 17th – Agency of Transportation Review/Audit, Town Office

Wednesday July 25 (7pm) Tri-Town Committee on Lake Fairlee (at Fairlee Town Hall)

Friday July 27 (1pm) – Selectboard/Lister/Town Clerk in-service re: parcel maps

Friday July 27 (3 to 7 pm) – Informal Public Review of new parcel maps

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