

Minutes
West Fairlee Selectboard Meeting
Monday October 1, 2012

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

The meeting was called to order at 6pm

Minutes: Ash moved that the minutes of the September 17, 2012 regular meeting and September 19, 2012 special meeting be approved as presented; Austin seconded; and the motion passed unanimously.

The Selectboard reviewed the year-to-date financial statements. Hoyt pointed out that a few line items were projected to be over budget but noted that it appears that under-spending in other areas will result in a balanced budget at year-end.

Roads:

Update Marsh Hill Bridge project: Northwoods Excavating has moved in equipment and is getting underway. Project should be finished within two weeks.

Vermont Local Roads technical assistance: Hoyt will be in touch with VLR to confirm the October 17th site visit and provide any additional information.

Old Business:

Community Building renovation plan: An email from architect Jay Barrett requesting that the Selectboard review the bid schedule for the public records vault and rear frost and retaining wall. After discussion, the Selectboard affirmed its earlier decision to go to bid this fall with a projected early spring start date. It was thought that this option will provide solid numbers for budgeting purposes; and will allow consideration of the “shed roof” aspect of the project which will be presented as a bid option. Hoyt noted that the community has seemed to indicate it wants a “pay as you go” approach to undertaking necessary renovations. Ash moved that the project be put out to bid this fall; Austin seconded; the motion passed unanimously. Hoyt will contact Barrett.

TRORC review of Town Plan: TRORC reviewed the recently adopted West Fairlee Town Plan and found to be in conformance with the regional plan. TRORC made several suggestions and/or recommendations which may be considered or incorporated into future updates of the plan.

TRORC energy analysis: TRORC’s analysis and report on the Town’s energy utilization was reviewed. Specific recommendation will be taken up at a future meeting.

Red Cross Shelter Initiative: Hoyt received information regarding the new small shelter initiative which will provide training and equipment to the Town at no cost. Several residents were suggested who may have an interest in getting this started.

New Business:

Joint Selectboard, Planning Commission, TRORC meeting: Chris Sargent of TRORC suggested late afternoon or evening of November 12th. Hoyt will confirm availability of PC members; work with Sargent on developing the agenda; and warn this special meeting.

Review insurance coverages: The Board reviewed the renewal application for PACIF liability and casualty insurance. Further clarification will be sought from PACIF regarding how the building's value is assessed.

Budget Committee: The Board affirmed the value of having a Committee assist with development of the budget. Previous members will be contacted, and suggestions for new members are being sought. Ash suggested Bonnie Cray also be asked to serve. Hoyt and Cook agreed to represent the Selectboard on the Committee, but noted all are welcome to attend.

Sign Orders: Ash moved to sign the orders; Austin seconded; and the motion was approved.

Review of Correspondence: Notice of Act 250 Permit by Green Mountain Power for resetting power lines on Rt. 113 and Beaver Meadow has been received. No action is required at this time; individual landowners have been contacted by GMP.

There being no further business, Ash moved that the meeting be adjourned at 6:50 pm; Cook seconded; the motion passed unanimously.