

# **Town of Fairfield Select Board Minutes**

**December 28, 2015**

In Attendance: Tom Howrigan, Gavin Ryan, Gene Archambault, and Norm Menard

Visitors: Jim Cota, Dan Connor, Maurice Jettie, Bridget Rivet and Sue Magnan

Town Administrator: Amanda Forbes

Secretary: Melissa Manson

1. Jim Cota was here to talk to us about the 4-way stop intersection at Rt 36 – North/South Roads. Called to order at 7:36. Jim was here to make sure that we are all on the same page with a 4-way stop. We budgeted \$5K and it looks like it's going to run \$17K. If we wanted to slow traffic down, we could ask DMV to reduce it. We have been issued a 11 + 11 permit so we can start on installation of the 4-way stop. There may be a Class 2 grant that we can apply for that will help with some of the cost.
2. We also talked about bridge grants and how grateful we were to receive them. Jim also feels we need traffic calming measures. We will need to have law enforcement to help with the issue. District 8 has taken on 8 new towns that have been added to their district from District 6. Things will still be fair and equitable throughout all towns in the district. Jim asked us all to stop by his office any time.
3. Dan Connor gave us some updates on the upcoming session.
4. Sue Magnan update on the library. Last month there was a cider making class and some other classes. Bridget gave an overview of Friends of BNML. They have donated over \$100K over the last 4 years. They continue to work hard.
5. Maurice Jettie gave an update on roads. Reynolds Road is done. Covered the entire road with ground black top. 2011 had some exhaust issues – repaired it in the garage ourselves. Grader salesman stopped by. Work on Barry Rd completed. Looks great. Replaced the batteries in the backhoe. The old ones lasted since 2006. West Street has been taken care of. Wash out near Howard Mitchell. Have Jim Smith make a plan for 2 Better Backroads projects and the Paradee Bridge so we're ready if funds become available.
6. We need to publicize the no bare roads policy in FPF and with letters to the editor.
7. Insurance quotes for town insurance. VLCT \$50K, Hub \$42K (up from \$37K last year). No brainer.
8. Lease agreement for Community Center reviewed and signed.
9. Letter from Jeff Pignona expressing thanks for SB opposition to wind project
10. Budget review – final budget prep for 2016 needs to happen the first week of January. Set for Monday at 11am.
11. Gavin made a motion to approve the minutes. Gene seconded.
12. Gavin made a motion to approve the warrants and adjourn. Gene seconded. All in favor.

**These minutes exist in draft form until approved by the Select Board.**