

**Town of Fairfield
Select Board Minutes
July 12, 2010**

In Attendance: Gavin Ryan, Greg Christie and Norm Menard
Town Administrator: Amanda Forbes Secretary: Melissa Manson
Visitors: Gennette Carr

Gavin opened the meeting at 7:30pm

1. Greg made a motion to approve the minutes of June 28. Norm seconded. All in favor.
2. Norm spoke to Jim Smith who will talk to Ruggiano about the structures grant project and a projected price. Some discussion about raising the level of Paradee Rd in that spot. Norm to follow up with Jim.
3. Gravel discussion. Seems best to get it from Swanton.
4. The new truck is gone to get it's box. We need to finalize the cost and get it finished.
5. Gavin made a motion to have the SB do a letter in support of keeping the Morses Line border crossing open. Greg seconded. All in favor. MM to do letter.
6. John Godin gave Amanda a new price of \$14,653 to paint the common house. Sam will do the windows and columns for \$7.8K. The fund has \$10K. An additional \$2.5K was allocated this year. Not enough money to do both things. Norm made a motion to fix the pillars and paint. Greg seconded. Not enough money to do both and we don't want to leave the fund at zero. Greg made a motion to pay to paint and let the school do the windows and columns. Norm seconded. All in favor.
7. Gennette Carr came to discuss options for adding life insurance as an employee benefit. Current insurance includes a \$3K ADD benefit. For an additional \$32./year/employee that \$3K can be increased to \$100K. To guarantee coverage for all employees at \$50K it would cost \$1500 per year. Gavin made a motion to review this at review time rather than adding a benefit mid-year. Norm seconded. Gavin is not willing to do a benefit change without a full board in attendance. Concerned about the squeeze potential next year. All in favor of waiting. Add to next agenda
8. Hazard Mitigation Grant funds released. Contract signed.
9. Brent Lehouillier says the town trail has been repaired. Norm will check.
10. Norm to stop at Quilliams to discuss the driveway.
11. Some excavator work to be done on Chester Arthur and on North Road. Then on to Pond Road to do culverts
12. West St and Hill Rd are done except for mulching. Mulcher broken. Steve had taken it apart but not fixed. Beautiful job done on the ditching on both roads.
13. Norm said we don't have the right tools to do the job properly. We need a larger compactor and a laser level.
14. Backhoe still not ready. Was promised for Monday but no sign of it yet.
15. Rented a tractor and mower to do roadsides. Cost was \$1300/week. Cutting back a lot of brush. So far looks like we are getting more for our money by renting.

16. Issue with Persons/Parottes dogs. Persons have paid the Parottes vet bills after a skirmish between the two dogs. They just wanted the town to know about it.
17. Some installation work on the school's generator needs to be done by the town as the in-kind contribution to the grant.
18. Greg made a motion to approve the warrants and adjourn. Norm seconded. All in favor.

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

AMENDMENTS: