

**Town of Fairfield  
Select Board Minutes  
January 10, 2011**

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

Town Administrator: Amanda Forbes     Secretary: Melissa Manson

Visitors: Swanton Select Board, Ross Lavoie, Kyle Carpenter, Dan Bilodeau, Dick Thompson, Rodney Judd, Bob Gerencser – ACS, Gary Judd

Gavin opened the meeting at 7:30pm

1. Swanton Select Board came to discuss the mutual plowing agreement between the two towns. Swanton plows 5.06 miles of Fairfield, Fairfield plows 2.06 miles of Swanton. Some issues with how and where the plowing is done by Swanton. Fairfield guys are not thrilled to plow Swanton Hill Road. Swanton was not aware that there was any issue with plowing. Need better communication – Rodney should call Swanton whenever there is an issue or complaint from a citizen. Swanton will handle.
2. Gary Judd came to discuss the vacant road crew position. He has helped out over the last few days while we have been short on staff. Gary was offered the job and will get back to us in a few days.
3. Rodney discussed some other road and truck issues. J-brake complaints are really about a broken muffler. Should be repaired soon. Waiting on parts. 99 truck collision damage not resolved yet. Another truck has an overheating problem and a leaking wheel seal. The black truck should be back from Clarks tomorrow.
4. Jarvis may have a plow frame available. Ours are wearing.
5. Bob Gerencser – ACS came to discuss land record computerization. Advantage to the town is that the records are handled less, all records will be online in a remote database. Improves security and accessibility. ACS revenue shares with TOF. No access to actual records by the public – good safety feature. Cost is \$300/mnth with a 5 year contract. Same price good for second 5 years. Cost to microfilm all the books to #38 would be \$9K to \$11K. Indexing back 40 years would be \$19,300. Tom made a motion to move forward with computerizing the database from today forward. Greg seconded the motion. All in favor. Contract signed.
6. Greg made a motion to approve the minutes. Norm seconded. All in favor.
7. Certificate of highway mileage signed.
8. Letter re high-risk rural road agreement for the Pond Rd Sheldon Rd intersection signed.
9. Tim Hawkins did review the ACS contract before signing.
10. Tim Hawkins said its okay to do either subordination or quit claim deed for the Branon property
11. Community Center trying to petition the voters to replace the lost income from the preschool.
12. Grant for the Sewer feasibility study reviewed. Amount is \$35K. Greg made a motion to sign. Norm seconded. All in favor.

13. Better Back Roads grant for Ryan Road signed. Amount is \$10K.
14. Delinquent taxes 12/31/09 were \$117,710. 12/31/10 \$119,700
15. Reviewed the content for the SB letter for the town report.
16. We will meet Dec. 19<sup>th</sup> at 5pm to review the warning.
17. Gene 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:**