Town of Fairfield
Select Board Minutes

March 11, 2013

In Attendance: Gavin Ryan, Gene Archambault, Norm Menard and Greg Christie
Town Administrator: Amanda Forbes   Secretary: Melissa Manson
Visitors: Kevin Camara, Wayne Elliot, Tom Joslin, Clary Franko and Rodney Judd

1. Kevin Camara gave an overview of the wastewater project to date. The TOF is on the State funding priority list. The feasibility study is complete. Next phase is the preliminary engineering study – if we don't go beyond that phase we would have to payback the loan over 5 years. Preliminary engineering study would include test pits to find an appropriate location. Fairfield is now eligible for USDA grants of up to 45% funding as our median income dropped between 2000 and 2010. There is also a possibility of a Point-of-Pollution abatement grant. Kevin Camara will be back with an agreement to sign to move forward.

2. Clary Franko – SunCommon is looking to see Franklin County go solar. They are looking for ideas about how to network. There's an informational meeting on Thursday, March 28th at 6:30pm. Clary gave some information about going solar.

3. Greg made a motion to approve the minutes of 2.11.13. Norm seconded. Review of minutes including the meeting with Rob Hall regarding the fire department culvert. Minutes approved.

4. Grant writer recommendation is Tim Cutler from South Burlington as a sub-contractor.

5. Rodney presented a trailer option for chloride spraying – there is a rental possibility for $1/year with a 3-year commitment to purchase chloride from the same company that we purchase from now. Norm and Gene will investigate further possibilities. There is a problem with our culvert steamer being outdated and not working safely. We have had some problems with frozen culverts. Should we get a generator instead? There is a gravel issue being hard to find – we should stockpile 20-25 loads. The loader needs a new bucket – we should either rebuild or replace with a used one. We need a proper compactor and a welder/generator package deal is a possibility. There is an issue with some big trees on New St. We should let the electric company deal with them as they are in their right-of-way.

6. MM should create a letter to each fire station regarding the article about support from the town requiring auditor access to their balance sheets.

7. Greg asked MM to find pricing on DustKill – an alternative to chloride for dirt roads.

8. Letter from concerned person re the stones on the roads wrecking tires.

9. John Babcock offered to provide a quote on a Tarme boiler that would run the fire station and the garage. It runs on pellets. We would like a quote.

10. Greg made a motion to ratify liquor permits for Stones, Sap Run Boogie and a fundraiser for the Community Church to be held at Jim Cameron's. Gavin seconded the motion. All in favor.

11. Overweight permits signed.

12. Gene made a motion to appoint Julie Wolcott as the Town Service Officer. Gavin seconded. All in favor.

13. Northwest Solid Waste Management district is looking for a representative from Fairfield. Gavin made a motion to appoint Tom Howrigan. Gene seconded. All in favor.

14. Wanzer Road bridge agreement signed.

15. Norm wants to know if he is set up for road drainage seminar in Lyndonville. MM to check.

16. Greg made a motion to have the land across from the pond surveyed. Norm seconded. Discussion followed. Gavin thinks we should have an estimate before approving. Greg yes, the rest no. Motion fails.

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17. Amanda said to add Review of 2013 road codes and standards to the next meeting agenda
18. Gavin made a motion to approve the warrants. Greg seconded. All in favor.
19. Norm brought up the discussion about Ryan Lockerbie to work at the garage one day a month to do maintenance on the town trucks. Rate is $50/hour. Ok to schedule.
20. Greg made a motion to adjourn. Gene seconded. All in favor.

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