

# **Town of Fairfield Select Board Minutes**

**April 10, 2013**

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

Town Administrator: Amanda Forbes    Secretary: Melissa Manson

Visitors: Jack Milne – Pike, Rodney Judd, Kristin Hughes, and Nance Shaw

1. Paving contract review with Jack Milne from Pike
2. Paving budget is \$150K, plus Class II paving grant (if we get it) of \$214,853 for the North Road. 20% match for the Town. Sweet Hollow is \$62K, Fire Station \$16K, Chester Arthur culvert repair \$750. North Road, 1.53 miles is \$182,087K. Greg made a motion to accept the bid from Pike. Gene seconded. All in favor. Tom signed.
3. Gavin signed the overweight permits.
4. Rodney said the blasting on Sweet Hollow would happen next week.
5. Grant Writing Committee – Nance and Kristin would like various entities in the Town to contribute \$1K each to have a Town Volunteer and Marketing Coordinator as suggested in the VCRD report. The grant writer will search for additional funding. Would support the position for 5 months. Library and Community Center are in. School and Rec committee are possibilities. Tom made a motion to contribute \$1,000 if the rest of the entities in the Town do the same. Greg seconded. All in favor.
6. Reeds donated 3.5A near the falls to the Town and she wants to know what happened to it. Nance would like to make it into a town park. Fine by SB.
7. Tom made a motion to have the Town lot near the pond surveyed, pins placed and registered. Greg seconded. All in favor.
8. Gavin reviewed Swamp and Pion Roads with the Gregoire brothers. It will cost to do it. Tom made a motion to go ahead. Greg seconded. All in favor.
9. Rodney said Harrison has a portable crusher to make rock fines. Would be good for blasting and for the pit in EF. He charges by the yard. We're interested. Get cost.
10. Blasting estimate for Sweet Hollow, Dodd and Lapland is \$9.8K
11. Greg made a motion to approve the minutes. Norm seconded. All in favor.
12. Some discussion re the slaughterhouse feasibility study. Some issue with where to go next. SB is not ready to meet with Yellow Wood.
13. Reorganization of the board. Greg made a motion to leave all appointments the same as last year. Gene seconded. All in favor. Tom – Chair, Gavin – Vice Chair, Gene – Clerk.
14. Gavin made a motion to appoint James Gregoire to the Zoning Board for 3 years. Greg seconded. All in favor.
15. Amanda received a quote from John Babcock for a boiler to run the garage and fire station. \$40K not including installation or a silo. Too expensive. MM to get solar prices.
16. Rodney needs to get the Town office parking lot scraped then have fire station wash it.
17. Need to have a meeting with the road crew to review roadwork.
18. Denise Smith wants to meet with the road crew and the SB to review Storm Water Mapping Grant for Friends of Lake Champlain.
19. Review of some road issues that need repair – Barry Rd, Paradee Rd, Church Rd, North and South Rds. Need to make a list and give to Rod. Done.
20. Leon Bushey wants to do the town lawns again. Rob Burns does also. Have both bid lawns and cemeteries.
21. Stratton road bridge cost finalized at \$158K for the Allen Family. Tax paperwork done by Amanda.
22. Menards liquor permit signed.
23. Delinquent taxes lower than ever at \$38,665. Review of potential tax sales.
24. Might get a generator for the fire station and garage from State surplus.

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

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25. Tom talked to Jim Smith about culverts in front of the fire station. An agreement with the State is possible.
26. Gavin made a motion to approve the warrants. Greg seconded. All in favor.
27. Gene made a motion to adjourn. Greg seconded. All in favor.