

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

Visitors: Maurice Jettie, Ken Fox, and Sue Magnan

Town Administrator: Amanda Forbes

Secretary: Absent

1. Ken Fox requests that we send an official letter of opposition to the Rocky Ridge Wind Project. A letter to be constructed by Gene to be sent to the Governor's office.
2. Sue came to give a library update and told of some program success stories. Sarah and Bridget attended a conference on fund raising. Friends of BNML last year thought they would be able to give the library \$10K. They were able to give them \$15K.
3. Gene made a motion to enter executive session to discuss an employee issue. Norm seconded. All in favor. Gene made a motion to exit executive session. Norm seconded. All in favor. Issue resolved.
4. West Street has some repairs that need to be fixed crossing at Branons. Complaint on Duffy Hill of water running through. Dodge property at the end of the ridge has a lot of stuff in the way of the plow turnaround. They need to get an email. Amanda to follow up. Maurice's chain saw blew up. \$450 to replace. New grader was delivered. It was dirty and oils weren't changed. Norm to call. Greg to drop off fuel tank for town crew to put in Chesters. Plugged culvert on North Rd – crew to try to flush with a pump.
5. John Deere Grader \$219,979. Any 2015 surplus will be used to pay down along with \$40,000 out of budget and \$10,000 out of the equipment fund. Borrow the balance from Peoples Trust at 2%. Motion made to borrow from Peoples Trust at 2% for Grader made by Tom and seconded by Greg. All in favor.
6. Refinance fire station loan down from 2.5% to 1.9%. That will be a \$1200 savings over the next 2 remaining years. Tom made a motion to approve refinancing the fire station loan. Greg seconded. All in favor.
7. Server in the Town Clerks office is failing. Time to replace it. \$4500. Amanda is looking into it.
8. The school asked for all the leases on the school playground and common school and Veterans Hall. They are gathering information for Act 46.
9. The authorization letter from the Board to the Vermont Retirement System authorizing the new employee retirement was signed by Tom.
10. Swamp Rd accounting is in. Final Reimbursement of \$374,342 was requested. Total project was \$415,935.
11. The engineer estimated 4-way stop cost at \$5K. Final price came in at \$17K. Project delayed because of winter. Will look for grants to help pay between now and spring.

12. Safe routes to school plan approved and signed by SB. Motion to approve by Greg and seconded by Gene. Tom, Gene, Norm and Greg in favor. Gavin opposed as it is not aesthetically pleasing

13. RFP for Ryan Rd bridge being sent out.

14. Request by Board to have County Clerk Rep come and speak to them about county budget at next meeting.

15. Greg made a motion to approve the warrants and adjourn. Gene seconded. All in favor.