

**Town of Fairfield
Select Board Minutes
February 28, 2011**

In Attendance: Tom Howrigan, Gavin Ryan, Gene Archambault, Norm Menard, Greg Christie Visitors: Jim Paradee, Julie Wolcott

Town Administrator: Amanda Forbes Secretary: Melissa Manson

Tom opened the meeting at 7:30pm

1. Gene made a motion to enter executive session with Jim Paradee to discuss an employee issue. Tom seconded the motion. All in favor. Norm made a motion to exit executive session. Gene seconded. All in favor. After reevaluating the recent wage increases, a decision was made to increase the road crew by \$1/hr across the board. This increase will apply to Rodney Judd, Shawn Machia and Jim Paradee. Norm made a motion to ratify this decision. Gene seconded the motion. All in favor.
2. Julie Wolcott came to speak to the SB as a spokesperson for the Community Center. Julie will speak at Town Meeting for the Community Center. They will be losing the early childhood education money and are looking for a way to survive without it. Would the SB be willing to support the center? Gene said yes, but he would need details about expenses and income.
3. Some discussion re library funding.
4. Julie said at the meeting there will be a large map asking people to suggest trails to connect the villages.
5. North Country ATV Assoc. wants to open roads in Fairfield to ATV's. Discussion follows. MM to invite them to the next meeting.
6. Gene made a motion to approve the minutes of 2.15.11. Greg seconded. All in favor.
7. Review of the proposed amendment to the Traffic Ordinance. Tom made a motion to reduce the speed on West and Swamp to 40mph. Gavin seconded the motion. All in favor.
8. Weight permits signed.
9. Some issue with engine oil being mismarked as hydraulic fluid. Rodney will follow up and find out who is responsible. Find out from Clarks if this error will damage the truck.
10. Amanda reviewed the letter from AM Peisch... "one of the cleanest town audits I have... the only town that can have the books ready within a week of year end. They are doing an excellent job."
11. Letter from the State regarding Wanzer Bridge – is it a rental that we should be paying the State for? No.
12. Gene made a motion to appoint Julie Wolcott as the town service officer. Greg seconded the motion. All in favor.
13. Review of the bond for municipal employees – Amanda \$100K and SB \$1K each.
14. Greg made a motion to approve the liquor license request for Lise Gates for the Sap Run Boogie for the Community Center.
15. Can Gary accrue comp time rather than getting paid overtime? No. The employee policy was changed to pay-out rather than accrue time.

16. Bridge inspections found some issues on Ryan Road and Elm Brook. We need to report to the State within 60 days. MM to contact Jim Smith to see when he is back from Florida.

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

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

AMENDMENTS: