

SELECT BOARD
February 12, 2008

Paul Nevin, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. Linda Nexon and Raymond Tarbell were present.

1. The minutes of the Select Board meeting of January 8 were approved.

2. Highways

a. A draft policy on culvert extensions and an associated form of permit were reviewed and revised. Upon motion made and seconded, it was

VOTED: To adopt effective February 12, 2008 as an addendum to the town Road and Bridge Standards the policy on extensions to existing culverts and to file a copy with these minutes.

b. 2008 Class 2 highway grant application. It was agreed to apply for funds for paving on Healdville Road. Jeff will pursue paving bids so the application can be finalized at the March Select Board meeting.

c. Certificate of Highway Mileage. Following discussion, it was agreed to add to the Certificate an observable and used .027 mile Class 4 road running east from Maple Hill Road past the Perkins House Museum building. The road was laid out in 1888 and recorded in Town records in 1889 and never discontinued. The Board agreed to name the road "Perkins Lane."

d. Salt and sand. The nationwide shortage of salt was discussed. Jeff commented that the situation would likely resolve within a week or two. With half of the winter ahead, the sand pile is 2/3 gone. It was agreed to order more sand if the pile is close to running out.

e. Paul noted that he will approach the Mount Holly School Board at their February 18 meeting about the land where the salt shed sits.

3. Planning Commission.

a. Annette Lynch formally submitted to the Select Board a Town Plan dated February 2008. The plan has been the subject of two Planning Commission hearings. The Board agreed to schedule its hearing on the plan at 6:30 pm on Tuesday, April 8, 2008 in the Town Office.

b. Annette updated the Board on the status of the affordable housing planning grant.

4. Report of Treasurer

David Johnson presented an income and expense statement dated January 31, 2008. He reported that the outside auditors have met with the Rescue Squad treasurer and are starting to put together financial statements.

5. Hortonville Cemetery. The first of three notices has been published in the Rutland Herald. The notices are called for under state statute so that the Town can designate the virtually abandoned cemetery a public burial place. Following the third notice on February 23, any person interested in the cemetery has until June 1 to put it in order or the Town assumes ownership.

6. Transfer Station – lean-to for reuse shed. Paul agreed to evaluate whether construction of a lean-to is a feasible use of funds remaining in the solid waste implementation grant.

7. Correspondence and communications

a. Dennis Devereux re Route 103 at blinking light. The Board signed a letter supporting Dennis' request that the state review the intersection to improve safety.

b. The Board reviewed a letter from the Department of Environmental Conservation describing a management plan for Star Lake milfoil.

8. Other

A. Emergency Management Coordinator. Paul and Brigid Faenza have volunteered to serve in the role. Upon motion made and seconded, it was

VOTED: To appoint Paul and Brigid Faenza as emergency management coordinators.

9. The Board reviewed and signed the January orders for payment.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Nexon