

SELECT BOARD
March 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 meeting of February 12 were approved.

2. Reorganization for 2008-2009

VOTED: To elect Paul Nevin Chairman of the Select Board

VOTED: To elect Linda Nexon Clerk of the Select Board

VOTED: To designate the Rutland Herald the newspaper for Town advertisements

VOTED: To engage the law firm of Liccardi & Crawford for tax sales.

VOTED: To appoint the following officers: Tree Warden: Raymond Tarbell; Fence

Viewers: Vernon Beauchain, Richard Dawley and Jeffrey Teter; Weigher of Coal:

Donald Tarbell; Inspector of Lumber: Edward Hall; Town Service Officer: Becky

Reichler; E 9-1-1 Coordinator: Susan Covalla. The Board signed a form for the State

Department of Children and Families certifying the appointment of the Town Service

Officer.

It was noted that the Town Clerk has appointed Mary Desautels as Assistant Clerk; and the Treasurer has appointed Diana Garrow as Assistant Treasurer.

3. Highways

a. Posted weight limit. Upon motion made and seconded, it was

VOTED: To adopt posted weight limits from January 1 to May 15 pursuant to VSA 19, Sections 1109-1110.

b. Paving grant. The Board agreed to a total project cost of \$39,558 for the application for a State Class 2 highway grant. If received, grant funds will amount to 80% of that figure; the Town is responsible for 20%.

c. E-911 maps. Russ Desautels noted several updates that he feels are needed.

d. Belmont parking. Russ Desautels commented that cars parking opposite the Belmont Store are affecting his stone wall. The Board agreed to look at the wall when the snow melts.

e. Russ suggested contracting with the Sheriff's Department for enforcement of the stop signs in Belmont Village. The Board will look into the cost and will also check on police academy training for the constables.

f. Bridge inspection. The Board reviewed and signed a State report on the inspection of Bridge #66, High Bridge on Station Road.

4. Planning matters.

a. Flood plain regulation. FEMA is requiring towns to review and update their regulations. The Rutland Regional Planning Commission will be assisting the Town with a model regulation.

b. Rutland Regional Plan. Hearings have been scheduled on the plan and comments are sought. A copy of the notice is posted and the plan is available in the Town Office.

c. The Select Board hearing on the Mount Holly Town Plan is scheduled on April 8 at 6:30 pm in the Town Office.

5. Transfer Station

a. Skeet Wheeler reported on ice in the Recycling Shed. The loader will be used to scrape it back; ways to divert water will be investigated this summer.

b. Spring and summer hours will begin at the transfer station on Wednesday, April 9, 5-7 pm.

6. Sue Covalla reported that the annual rabies clinic will be held on Saturday, March 15, 10 am to noon.

7. Report of Treasurer. David Johnson presented a cash balances and income and expense report dated February 29, 2008. A favorable variance in solid waste disposal was noted. Highway expenses were reviewed. David believes the current year delinquent tax balance is currently about ½ that shown as of December 31, or half of \$108,510. It was agreed that a one-year old uncashed check should be written off. It was agreed that the amount of the stipend to be paid to the Listers should be net of social security taxes.

8. Liquor license. The Board signed liquor license applications for the Belmont Store, Brooklyn Pub and Harry's Restaurant.

9. Correspondence. The Board reviewed a letter from Gini Marconi concerning her involvement in ancient roads research.

10. Other. The Board signed certifications presented on behalf of the Listers for the 2005, 2006 and 2007 Grand Lists, attesting that there are no pending appeals.

11. The Board reviewed and signed the February orders for payment.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda D. Nexon