



2015 TOWN OF FAIRFAX

**SELECTBOARD MEETING
MONDAY APRIL 6, 2015
7:00 PM**

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Selectboard Members Present: Tom Fontaine, Chair, Lauri Fisher, Vice-Chair, Peter King, Randy DeVine, and Leebeth Ann Lemieux.

Public Present: Carl Jones, Katy Lyons, Sam Nelson, Stephanie Stowe, Carolyn Murray, Josh & Heidi Silman, Attorney Liam Murphy, Katelyn Ellermann, Associate; Rene Jette, Attorney Brian Hehir and Terry Harris, Surveyors.

Staff Present: Deb Woodward, TC & Treasurer; Amy Sears, Utility Manager; D. Jay Leach, Road Foreman; Jodi Wheeler, Rec. Director; Stacy Wells, Adm. Asst. LCATV videotaped the meeting.

Call to Order: Tom called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes:

3.30.15 at 5:30 pm. - Peter made the motion to accept the minutes as written seconded by Randy. The motion carried with a vote of 4-0. (Tom, Randy, Peter and Leebeth.) This was not a warned meeting. As three members of the SB were present minutes were taken. Leebeth arrived at 6 pm. to review the orders and payroll making it four Selectboard members present.

3.30.15 at 7:00 pm. - Peter made the motion to accept the minutes as written seconded by Randy. The motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

Payroll and Order Warrants: Tom reviewed the warrants with a question as to why a microwave was purchased.

Public Comment: N/A

Correspondence: The Board received a letter from Joe Trask, Duffy's Trash and Recycling, dated 3.31.15. The correspondence outlined Act 148 and the requirements the town as a solid waste entity would be required to do to be compliant with the state. A timeline was included in the correspondence. Discussion: Leebeth expressed that the date for a contract renewal should be changed to a different time of year such as early spring or summer, other than December. Tom will contact Joe to come in for a more detailed conversation and action plan with the Board.

D. Jay Leach, Road Foreman:

D. Jay is here for a monthly review of activity in the highway department. He stated that there is enough sand providing we are at the end of the winter season. He's currently working on a list for culverts. He will be meeting with vendors for blacktop quotes. He's also gathering quotes for a front loader which he will present to the Board at the next SB meeting. A resident emailed the town regarding sand build-up on Nichols Road where the school bus turns around which affects their drive-way. D. Jay said he will look into this tomorrow. The sap haulers are not abiding by the weight limits of the roads. D. Jay has given some haulers permission to travel on the road at certain times in the morning. Peter stated the sheriff's department cannot help with this problem as they do not have scales with them and the roads are not properly posted.

Action: We will schedule a meeting with the sap haulers in January 2016.

The Board talked to D. Jay regarding Act 148 and the compliance of having two dumpsters available for metal and clean wood.

(Deviation of agenda: Jodi Wheeler, Rec. Director went ahead of Amy Sears, Utility Manager.)

Jodi Wheeler, Recreation Director:

Jodi has been approached by Katelyn Irwin, Education Enrichment Coordination with the Greater Burlington YMCA. Katelyn is interested in using the rec. park to run various types of sport and specialty camps. The camps would begin when school is out in June and would run for seven weeks through the summer. A fee for the park, pavilion and rest rooms was discussed. The fee would help to defray the cost of w/s, trash, maintenance and mowing. The possibility of offering scholarships was also discussed.

Action: The Board approved full days for seven weeks at \$300.00 per week. Jodi will get back to the Board on insurance and a maximum sign-up limit.

Amy Sears, Utility Manager/Randy DeVine, Superintendent:

Amy, Randy and Peter attended a meeting last week with Trudell Consulting Engineers and reps from the state. Some of the topics discussed were water allocations, how they can get on the priority list to help with any improvements as well as available funding. They were able to talk with Ken Yelsey about re-setting the standard of allocations. A new pump for the existing well will be purchased due to a decreasing capacity. Amy, Randy and Peter plan on holding an informational meeting with the users in the near future.

Randy gave the Board a review of his activities for the month of March.

Tom signed the Vermont Residuals Management Quarterly Report - Part A report.

Lauri made a motion to table the continuation of the Utility Department discussion to later in the meeting. The motion was seconded by Leebeth with all members in favor 5-0.

Access Permit Application:

Attorney Hehir asked the Board why they are here as it was his understanding that the Board approved the access permit on 3.2.15. (Please see minutes of 3.2.15.) Tom stated that the road foreman would not sign off on the application. Liam Murphy, attorney for the Silman's, asked if he could give a brief presentation, which the Board allowed. Attorney Murphy handed out a 1931 map of the roads in town. A discussion ensued on the process for discontinuing the road.

Action: Leebeth made a motion to deny the issuance of the access permit; seconded by Lauri. The motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

Amy and Randy finished their business with the Selectboard at this time.

Other Business:

1. The Constable's job description will be reviewed at the next meeting.
2. The Purchasing Policy will be reviewed at the next SB meeting.

Enter Executive Session:

8:50 PM - Lauri made the motion to enter into executive session to discuss correspondence from Attorney Monaghan, specifically confidential attorney client communication, for a potential civil litigation issue. The motion was seconded by Peter. Motion carried 5-0.

Exit Executive Session:

9:43 PM - Peter made a motion to exit executive session seconded by Leebeth. Motion carried - vote 5-0.

Action: The Board will meet April 14th at 6:30 PM.

Adjourn:

9:45 pm: Peter made the motion to adjourn; seconded by Leebeth. Motion carried - vote of 5-0.

The minutes were respectfully submitted by Stacy Wells, Adm. Asst. to the Selectboard.

Tom Fontaine, Chair
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