



## 2015 TOWN OF FAIRFAX

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**SELECTBOARD MEETING**  
**MONDAY, JANUARY 19, 2015**  
**7:00 PM**

The drafted minutes presented below are unapproved subject to corrections and/or additions at the next Selectboard meeting. Those corrections and/or additions will be written to an amended version of the minutes, which will also be made available to the public.

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

**Public Present:** Roberta Rodimer, Deb Nevil, Al Norris, Dan King, Deb Woodward and Stacy Wells.

**Call to Order:** Tom called the budgeting meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

**Minutes:**

1.5.15 Randy made the motion to accept the minutes as written seconded by Peter. The motion carried with a vote of 4-0.

1.9.15 and 1.12.15: Peter made the motion to accept the minutes as written; seconded by Leebeth. The vote was 4-0.

**Orders & Payroll:** The orders and payroll were reviewed and approved by Randy.

**Public Comment/Correspondence:** N/A.

**Deb Nevil:**

Deb is here this evening to talk to the Board regarding creating a farmers' and artisan market in Fairfax. She has an interest in setting up a farmer's market at the Country Pantry (951 Main St.), which would run from June 11 through October 8<sup>th</sup> on Thursdays. She currently runs the Jeffersonville Farmers' and Artisan Market. She has talked to Gabe Handy/Sidon Pantry, LLC, and owner of the Country Pantry, who has given her permission to use the property for such a market. Deb also talked to Skip Taylor, Z.A. regarding any local permits. She is here to ask the Board to waive the fee for the DRB process. The Board is receptive to the market operating at the Country Pantry, however are requesting from Mr. Handy a formal grant of permission in writing. The Board also asked that she contact the State of Vermont to inquire about any signage or traffic concerns. She will return to the Board at a later date for a decision from the Board on waiving any fees associated with the market.

1.19.15 Minutes Cont.

**Dan King and Al Norris - Craftsfield Road Association**

Dan and Al are here this evening, as part of the Craftsfield Road Association, to talk to the Board regarding having the town take over Craftsfield Road. The town currently has 130 private dirt roads. The Board stated that manpower as well as equipment cost has to be taken into consideration for taking over a road. The Board acknowledged that there is an interest from a number of private road homeowners that would like their road to be taken over by the town. A lot of homework will need to be done prior to any decision being made.

**Budgeting:**

The Board is finalizing the budget numbers. The results are total expenditures of \$2,387,233.00; total revenues of -\$545,472.00; taxes to be raised \$1,841,761.00. The Board worked diligently to keep the budget at a respectful increase rate of 2.5%.

**Other Business:**

1. Franklin County Sheriff's contract: \*Peter made the motion to accept the FCSD contract through to March 31, 2019. The motion was seconded by Randy. The motion carried with a vote of 4-0.
2. Solid Waste Implementation Plan Grant: A grant was written to help defray the cost of Household & Hazardous Waste Day. Action: Tom signed the grant.
3. Certificate of Highway Mileage year ending February 10, 2014. There were no changes from last year. Tom signed the certificate, which will be returned to the State of Vermont Division of Policy, Planning and Intermodal Development, Kerry Alley, Mileage Certificate Specialist.
4. Full-time employee insurance coverage: Tom proposed dropping insurance coverage for the spouse or family of a new hire. An insurance premium policy has been written and is currently being reviewed by the town's attorney. The town will only cover the full-time employee hired. All other full-time employees (30 hours) employed prior to this date will be grandfathered. A vote was cast with three members in favor of the policy and one against.
5. Parks and Recreation Director Position: The deadline for resumes is 1.21.15, at which time the resumes received will be handed over to the Recreation Committee.

**Adjourn:**

9:28 PM: Peter made the motion to adjourn; seconded by Leebeth. The motion carried with a vote of 4-0.

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

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Tom Fontaine, Chair  
Fairfax Selectboard  
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