

## TOWN OF FAIRFAX

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### SELECTBOARD MEETING August 21, 2017 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; Steven Cormier, Vice-Chair; Randy DeVine, Duane Leach and Stephen Bessette

**Public Present:** Albert Ledoux, Doug Collins (Cemetery Commissioner), Robby Rodimer, Brandon White, Caitlin Arthur, Deb Woodward,

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

**Minutes:**

8-3-17 - S. Cormier moved to accept the minutes as written, seconded by Duane, All in favor.

8-7-17 S. Cormier moved to accept the minutes as written, seconded by S. Bessette, All in favor.

**Accounts Payable & Payroll Warrants:** The town and utility warrants were reviewed by S. Cormier. All approved by board

**Public Comment:**

Albert Ledoux came in regarding the trash portion of his property tax bills; He owns 2 pieces of property. He questioned an apartment in one and only a piece of land of the other. Tom will follow up with the Assessor's office then will be in contact with Mr. Ledoux.

Discussion continued on Kezer Cemetery, Tom spoke with the state and research of Vermont State Statue Title 18, Chapter 121, subchapter 001 §5321, §5322 & §5362 regardless of a cemetery being private, public or religious, the cemetery commissioners have authority to care for the cemetery. There is a procedure to follow for access to cemeteries also provided in the above State Statue. Randy and Doug Collins will be out this week to get a "lay of the land" then follow up with the fence viewers. It was not been distinguished yet as to who's property the cemetery is on. According to Doug Collins, the bee hives in the cemetery must go. The discussion on Kezer Cemetery will continue to the next Selectboard meeting on September 11<sup>th</sup>.

**Correspondence:**

A letter from Sharon Adams a town resident was received. Tom read the letter and can appreciate her concern. Sharon is concerned about seeing a line of trash bins (8) or more along the front of an apartment house. Randy will reach out to the apartment owner to see if there is room on the side of the property or if maybe Casella can provide a dumpster to the location. The property owner has the right to leave the trash bins where they are.

**Other Business:**

- Highway Overtime: Very brief discussion, Tom will meet with Debbie to review reports. Will discuss again at the next meeting.
- Dog License: It has been decided that Bill will continue to do what he's been doing.
- Amoseg Property: Jeff Nicks from JL Davis contacted Randy, has a prospective buyer. Possibly wants a subdivision so that the Utility Department can obtain the well.
- Main Street Resident asked about a speed surveillance system, wonders if there is a cost to the town to conduct an average speed study. S. Bessette will follow up with Sherriff Norris.
- Saturday, August 26, Household Hazardous Waste Day:

At 7:30 S. Cormier motioned to enter into executive session to discuss the town manager position, seconded by S. Bessette, all in favor.

At 8:05 S. Cormier motioned to exit executive session, seconded by S. Bessette, all in favor

Candidate Marc Homer declined town manager position. A new search will be started in a few months.

**Adjournment:**

At 8:07, Randy made the motioned to adjourn, seconded by Duane, All in favor.

The minutes were respectfully submitted by Amy Sears, Adm. Asst. to the Selectboard.

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Tom Fontaine, Chair  
Fairfax Selectboard