

SELECTBOARD MEETING
May 27, 2008 – 6:00 p.m.
Treas/AA Office

Attendance: Andy Pomerantz, Ken Colby, Alfred Avery, Ruben Hook, Mike Whipple, Reg Poulin, Jon Pallas, Tim Ward, Stan Brinkman and Doug Lyford

1. Minutes – Ken moved and Andy seconded the motion to adopt the minutes to May 6 meeting as written. So moved.
2. Adjustments to Agenda
 - a. ATV use of town road
 - b. Hare Scramble
3. Public Comments – None
4. Water/Sewer
 - a. Tabled
5. Roads
 - a. Nichols Drive: Reviewed Nichols Drive situation. VLCT legal opinion is that common law “theory of dedication and acceptance” applies and we may be obligated to make it a town road if desired by the landowner. Ken will follow up with the owner to see if he wants to pursue the necessary action.
 - b. Roadside mowing: Corinth is interested in purchasing a tractor and mowing equipment for \$72,100 and is interested in splitting ownership with Chelsea. Due to our large equipment expenses this year, the board chose not to pursue this this year but consider sharing equipment in the future.
6. Old Business
 - a. Garage- tabled
 - b. Selectboard vacancy – Entered Executive session at 6:32 to interview candidates for the open position. Exited at 7:25. re-entered executive session at 8:30 to re-interview one applicant. Exited at 8:55. Doug Lyford was appointed to complete Harry Flint’s term until Town Meeting Day 2009.
 - c. The board was presented with a petition with 188 signatures requesting the town terminate the agreement with the Orange County Sheriff’s office due to concerns about one officer. This was discussed with the sheriff last meeting. Andy will contact the Sheriff to ask why the officer is still patrolling in Chelsea.
7. New Business
 - a. Health Center USDA Loan: Signed letter of support for CHC to get a low interest construction loan from USDA-rural development, pending DRB approval.
 - b. ATV use of town road: Jon Pallas, Reg Poulin requested about 1/2 mile of Town Highways 16 and 17 for the Washington ATV club to use

to complete their loop within the town of Washington. They were asked to provide landowner support for their use of the road..

- c. Hare Scramble: Mike Whipple requested permission for the annual Hare scramble on July 7. Participants will cross town roads three times. Ken moved and Andy Seconded to approve this request. So moved.
8. Correspondence
 - a. Reviewed environmental court activity regarding Wellspring appeal.
 - b. Reviewed TRORC minutes
 - c. Reviewed CVSWMD minutes
9. Adjournment - Ken moved and Andy seconded the motion to adjourn at 9:05 p.m. So moved.