

SELECTBOARD MEETING
February 24, 2009 – 6:00 p.m.
Treas/AA Office

Attendance: Doug Lyford Ruben Hook
 Andy Pomerantz Peg Pelckmann
 Ken Colby Robert Brown
 Jane Cushman Jeremy Hook
 Rick Ackerman

1. Adjustments to Agenda
 - a. Heath Officer – Old Business
 - b. Animal Control Officer – Old Business
 - c. Wellspring – Old Business

2. Minutes – Ken moved and Doug seconded the motion to approve the minutes to the February 3, 2009 meeting as written. So moved.

3. Public Concerns – None

4. Water/Sewer
 - a. Brookhaven Well – The board reviewed copies of legal documents sent to Brookhaven School that will grant an easement to the town to run pipe from the well to a control/pump house then to the main line. Robert Brown questioned why this project would be paid for town wide, if voted by Australian ballot vs. paid for by the users. This is a municipal water system with capital improvements to be paid by all taxpayers rather than inflict a heavy burden on users of the system.
 - b. Other

5. Roads
 - a. Access Permit – Wellspring School has submitted an access permit off Densmore Road to serve their future school. Doug moved and Ken seconded the motion to deny the permit pending the outcome of the ongoing court case. So moved.
 - b. Stimulus Projects – Chuck Wise (TRORC) has advised the town that there is little chance of the town receiving any stimulus money. It was agreed that the East Randolph Rd. improvements would be the most critical project that might be eligible for stimulus money. Doug moved and Ken seconded the motion to table this discussion until the next meeting. So moved. Doug will ask Chuck about doing a road count on the East Randolph Road.
 - c. Sidewalks – Several wondering why sidewalks are not cleaned have approached Rick. Rick suggested purchasing a snowblower for another year.
 - d. Winter Maintenance Policy – Rick discussed the need for a winter maintenance policy. This will be discussed further.

6. Old Business

- a. Solid waste – Doug has been unable to talk to Todd Dueso but will try to make contact with him again.
 - b. Hayward Property – There is a deed showing water rights from the Hayward property to the Clough property currently owned by Larry Allen. Doug will contact Larry Allen about this issue. Doug does have a letter from HEB Manufacturing relinquishing water rights. Although the upcoming re-vote on the Hayward property is only for the land, the board is collecting financial information for preliminary site development.
 - c. Fire Scene Clean Up – There has been no reply for landowner. Doug will speak to Peter Nowlan about the next step. The board will base its decision on how to proceed on Peter's recommendation.
 - d. Health Officer – Peg reported ongoing problems with property on Upper Village Road. The roof is still leaking and, with warmer weather, any mold that was removed will reappear. The Selectboard advised Peg to have the renters contact Jim May at the South Royalton Legal Clinic. Peg also advised that there is a Health Officer conference coming up – she will get the application to the treasurer.
 - e. Animal Control Officer – Peg discussed ongoing issues she's been dealing with.
 - f. Wellspring – The board reviewed their standings on this issue in preparation for the trial that starts tomorrow.
7. New Business
- a. Census Bureau use of Town Hall – Doug moved and Ken seconded the motion to charge the Census Bureau rent like any other tenant. So moved.
 - b. Prep for Info Meeting –The board reviewed estimates for preliminary site development.
 - c. Prep for Town Meeting – The board discussed how to handle article 11 re: using Garage Fund money for work at the old garage.
 - d. Liquor/Tobacco Licenses – After reviewing the applications, Ken moved and Doug seconded the motion to sign the licenses for the following businesses: Flander's Market, Will's Store and Chelsea Quik Stop. So moved.
 - e. Web Site Photo Contest – The board agrees that a photo contest to get local pictures for the web site would be a good idea. CJ Cesari will be asked to coordinate the contest.
 - f. State Transportation Project Prioritization – Review of the list shows that VT Rte 113 is on the list. The Creamery Bridge is not on the list. Chuck Wise (TRORC) will be invited to the March 17, 2009 list to see if it's possible to add the bridge to the list.
8. Adjournment – Ken moved and Doug seconded the motion to adjourn at 8:35 p.m.