

SELECTBOARD MEETING
February 3, 2009 – 6:00 p.m.
Treas/AA Office

Attendance:	Doug Lyford	Peter Nowlan	Garry Thrasher
	Ken Colby	CJ Cesari	Kevin Geiger
	Andy Pomerantz	Phillip Mulligan	Tracy Penfield
	Jane Cushman	Mike Veshela	David Leggio
	Rhoda Ackerman	Dave Farnham	

1. Adjustments to Agenda
 - a. Energy Committee – Old Business
 - b. Stimulus Opportunities – Old Business
 - c. Town Bulletin Board Request – New Business
 - d. Wellspring – Old Business
 - e. Budget Review – Old Business
2. Minutes – Ken moved and Doug seconded the motion to approve the minutes for the January 20, 2009 meeting as written. So moved.
3. Public Concerns
 - a. Phillip expressed interest in having the information available pertaining to the size and scope of the next steps in the development of a town garage ready for the informational meeting on March 2, 2009.
4. Water/Sewer
 - a. Brookhaven – Peter Nowlan has ironed out concerns with Jim Kennedy re: easement for well development. Jim still feels that some monetary compensation is necessary in the \$5,000 to \$10,000 range. In light of the money already spent on this project and the town's need for water, the Selectboard authorized Peter to work out a settlement with Jim.
 - b. Bench Sheets – Already signed.
 - c. Other – It was reported that following the fire, the water operators had a difficult time bringing the water level in the storage tank back to a safe level.
5. Roads
 - a. Mileage Certificate – Ken will get the necessary documents from John Dutton to add Nichol's Drive and Coburn Rd. onto town highway maps as class 3 roads.
6. Old Business
 - a. Solid Waste – Doug unable to contact Todd Dueso. He'll try to contact him and have him at February 24th meeting
 - b. Hayward Property – Ken has a letter from VELCO acknowledging that there would be no charge to the town to use their right of way. Rick is preparing an estimate to do the driveway, Mike Whipple is preparing an estimate for a septic design and construction, Ken is trying to get an estimate for the price to build a garage and HEB is sending a letter to the town advising of their lack of interest in the well on the property. An amended map from Dubois & King has been received. This map along with other information will be inserted in the Town Report.
 - c. Veterinary Bill – Per State Statutes, Doug moved and Ken seconded the motion to pay Mid-Vermont Large Animal Vet. Services \$745.75 for dog injuries to goats. So moved.

- d. Energy Committee – Phillip reported that a programmable thermostat has been installed in the Town Clerk’s office, weather stripping installed on foyer doors and broken storm windows in the Town Clerk’s office have been repaired. Early estimates reveal about a 25% cost savings for heating the building. The Selectboard authorized Phillip to have an energy audit done for the Town Hall as this opened doors for potential grant money for weatherization. Tracy expressed concern about the increase in rent for the use of the Town Hall. As more data is collected, the Selectboard will revisit all Town Hall issues at once. The Selectboard endorsed sending a community letter of commitment to reduce energy consumption by 10%
 - e. Stimulus Opportunities – Kevin Geiger (Two Rivers-Ottawaquechee Planning Comm. - TRORC) reviewed an update for possible uses for stimulus money. Chuck Wise (TRORC) will be invited to the next meeting along with Rick Ackerman, road foreman, to discuss and prioritize projects that might be eligible for stimulus funding.
 - f. Wellspring – Peter reported that efforts to resolve issues with Wellspring before the scheduled hearing dates of February 25th and 26th have been unfruitful. Depositions will proceed. Peter requested 1 representative for the town is at the hearing. Doug moved and Ken seconded the motion to enter executive session to discuss these issues at 6:20 p.m. Exited at 6:30 p.m. No action taken.
 - g. Budget Review – It is calculated that the budget will result in about a \$.02 increase on the tax rate because there is no request for \$50,000 for the garage fund.
7. New Business
- a. Fire Scene Clean Up – Dave Farnham, Fire Chief, has been in contact with many State officials. It is recommended that the town consider aggressive actions to get this site cleaned up. The town will send the landowner a letter advising him that he has 10 days to respond with an action plan to clean up the site. Necessary steps to clean up this site were discussed. Ken moved and Doug seconded the motion to pay Thrasher Construction \$900 for knocking the structure down following the fire. So moved.
 - b. Town Bulletin Board – Rhoda Ackerman, acting on behalf of the Branch Club, asked permission to hang the community calendar case on the outside wall of the Town Hall, hopefully above the book drop. The Selectboard has no objection but advised Rhoda to contact the Zoning Administrator to see if it’s necessary to get a permit.
8. Adjournment – Andy moved and Doug seconded the motion to adjourn at 9:05 p.m. So moved. The next meeting is rescheduled to February 24, 2009 at 6:00 p.m.