

SELECTBOARD MEETING  
November 29, 2005 – 6:00 p.m.  
Treas/AA Office

Attendance: Dick Rogers                      Jane Cushman  
                  Andy Pomerantz                 Rick Ackerman  
                  Carol Olsen

1. Minutes – Dick moved and Carol seconded the motion to approve the minutes to the November 15, 2005 meeting as written. So moved.
  
2. Adjustments to the Agenda
  - a. Sand – Old Business
  - b. VCRD – Old Business
  - c. Preservation Trust Grant – Old Business
  - d. Roads
  
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  - a. Bobbinshop Bridge is open. Hook Construction helped Rick install the guardrails on the bridge. This work will be billed separately.
  - b. Clint Rodgers asked the town to lower the culvert in the vicinity of 252 Bobbinshop Rd. He wants to drain water from the basement through the culvert. The Board has no problem with running a drainage pipe under the road so long as landowners on the other side of the road approve but they don't want to disturb the culvert. This work would be at Mr. Rodgers' expense.
  - c. A letter will be sent to landowners on Klondike Road advising them that the road crew will be cutting brush.
  - d. Rick is working on a deal with Vershire to use their chipper.
  - e. I-Beams from Tunbridge Bridge – The town has been given the opportunity to get beams from the Tunbridge Bridge. Because they are so large and we have no place for storage the town will decline the offer. Wayne Hook will be advised of this availability in case he has a use for them.
  - f. Budget – Rick needs to budget for a floor in the salt shed. The estimate is \$1,000 for a temporary paved floor or \$4,000 for a more permanent floor.
  - g. Complaints – Rick has gotten complaints from a resident on Pepper Rd about winter maintenance of the road. Another complaint came from a resident on Town Farm Road. Because of the low hanging brush as a result of the early storm, the progress plowing and sanding is very slow. Dick has received a complaint about brush at the intersection of VT Rte 110 and Beacon Hill Rd. He will ask the landowner if the brush can be trimmed. Rick will trim brush by Carol Olsen's sometime when Carol is home.
  
4. Old Business
  - a. Audio/Visual System for Town Hall – John Cesari didn't attend the meeting so this is tabled until he is here.
  - b. Constable – Paul McNaughton didn't attend – tabled.
  - c. Solid Waste Issues – Bill Field is working on tracking down landowners. He wants to do a little more research but will send something soon. Dick has checked a site where there is concern about room for town trucks to turn around. The site hasn't been cleaned up yet. He will also address the issue of burning trash.

- d. Health Insurance for Town Clerk – Dick moved and Carol seconded the motion to enter executive session to discuss this issue at 7:15 p.m. So moved. Exited at 7:40 p.m. Dick moved and Carol seconded the motion to pay 50% of a single person policy for the Town Clerk and/or the Town Treasurer’s health insurance as offered to the rest of the town employees to become effective January 1, 2006. So moved.
  - e. Sand – Dick is going to hand deliver an invoice to an individual with an outstanding sand bill from last winter. Any further action will be taken at the next meeting.
  - f. VCRD – The Board plans to attend the meeting on December 1, 2005 to learn about the benefits of VT Rte 110 being designated as a “Scenic Byway”.
  - g. Preservation Trust Grant – Andy signed the agreement with Preservation Trust to receive \$25,000 for repairs to the Town Hall. He will notify Tom Keefe that we received the grant and wish to start repairs in the spring. As part of the grant, the town will budget \$15,000 for repairs in the 2006 budget.
  - h. EOS Project – Jane will get the agenda for the December CVSWMD meeting. She will also request a copy of the minutes to the November meeting. Citizens and/or the Selectboard will represent Chelsea at the December CVSWMD meeting.
7. Correspondence
- a. Law Enforcement Round Table – Carol will attend the meeting on December 5, 2005 at VLCT.
  - b. WEC – PVR is not willing to negotiate with WEC so the attorneys are preparing for trial.
8. Next Meeting Agenda Items
- a. 6:00 p.m. – Water/Sewer Budget Work
  - b. 6:30 p.m. – Highway Budget Work
  - c. Review Agenda for CVSWMD meeting
  - d. Town Budget Work
  - e. Boil Water Notice Policy
  - f. Sand
9. Adjournment – Dick moved and Carol seconded the motion to adjourn at 8:50 p.m. So moved.
10. Action Items
- a. Jane will send letters to residents on Klondike Road in the vicinity of brush cutting.
  - b. Brush Cutting – Dick will ask Dave Button to trim brush or for permission for the town to cut it.
  - c. Sand – Dick will investigate why sand bill from last winter isn’t paid.
  - d. Preservation Trust – Andy will notify Tom Keefe that we received the grant.
  - e. Law Enforcement – Carol will attend the round table discussion on 12/5/05