

Wallingford Selectboard Meeting  
Minutes  
February 15, 2016

Selectboard Members Present: Nelson Tift, Bill Brooks, Gary Fredette, and Rose Regula.

Others Present: Sandi Switzer and Justin Filskov

N. Tift called the regular Selectboard meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. at Wallingford Town Hall.

**Agenda Amendments.** None.

**Minutes.** G. Fredette made a motion that was seconded by B. Brooks to approve the Minutes of the February 1, 2016 meeting. Motion carried (4-0).

**Selectboard Orders.** B. Brooks made a motion that was seconded by G. Fredette to approve pay orders totaling \$14,853.63 after \$630 was added for Wright Appraisal Services. Motion carried (4-0).

**Road Commissioner Report.** Road Commissioner Phil Baker was not present.

**2016 Road and Bridge Standards.** R. Regula made a motion that was seconded by G. Fredette to approve and sign the Bridges and Roads Standards adopted by the Selectboard in March of 2013. Motion carried (4-0).

**2017 VTrans Grant Program.** By unanimous consent, the board agreed the town should apply for Class 2 paving grants for Route 140W and Creek Road.

**Town Meeting Preparation.** Board members reviewed notes regarding changes in the municipal budget from FY'16 to FY'17 in preparation for the February 29 floor meeting.

**Public Comments.** None

**Mowing Bids.** The board reviewed the four bids received for mowing municipal properties this year. G. Fredette made a motion that was seconded by R. Regula to award mowing duties to F.A.S. Trucking and Landscaping. Motion carried (4-0).

It was noted that F.A.S. Trucking and Landscaping was not the low bidder, but the company's mowing estimates were close to the low bidder. It was further noted F.A.S. had provided satisfactory mowing services for the town over the past two years.

**Rutland Town Solar Resolution.** The board agreed to seek the Energy Committee's input on the Rutland Town Solar Resolution before acting upon it. The matter was tabled to a future meeting.

**Annual Security Policy Review.** B. Brooks made a motion that was seconded by G. Fredette to approve the list of people with keys to various town buildings and offices. Motion carried (4-0).

**NEMRC Workshop.** There was a brief discussion regarding the town assessor's request for reimbursement to attend a NEMRC Workshop. Board members agreed the assessor is not an employee, therefore the town should not pay for career development.

N. Tift made a motion that was seconded by R. Regula to deny the workshop request. Motion carried (4-0).

**Planning Commission Resignation.** The board by unanimous consent accepted with regret Nathan Astin's resignation from the planning commission. They extended the town's appreciation to Mr. Astin for his service.

**Selectboard Concerns.** R. Regula asked the status of the planning commission and zoning administrator's review of the South Wallingford industrial zone after citizens expressed boundary concerns. It was noted the zoning administrator was seeking input from VLCT.

**Other Business/Announcements.** The board authorized violation notices be sent to property owners bordering the Vtel property in South Wallingford if the town's constable determines they were in violation of the municipal junk ordinance.

Board members approved a request by Unison to inspect the Town Hall cell tower equipment.

The board by unanimous consent approved the purchase of a third fire extinguisher at the transfer station for the building that stores used oil.

The board tabled any action on Holden Engineering's proposal to inspect and draft a report for the Creek Road bridge at a cost of \$5000.

Board members agreed the town should continue to develop a 10-year Capital Highway Plan as part of the Network Inventory.

The board set the next meeting for Monday, February 29 at 6:30 p.m. at Wallingford Elementary School.

The meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Date Approved:

Sandi Switzer, Town Administrator

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