

Wallingford Selectboard Meeting
Minutes
March 2, 2015

Selectboard Members Present: Nelson Tift, Gary Fredette, Rose Regula, and Mark Tessier.

Others Present: Sandi Switzer

Chairman Nelson Tift called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. at Wallingford Elementary School.

Agenda Amendments. Town Administrator Sandi Switzer added Zoning Administrator workshop request and VLCT PACIF 2015 Equipment Grant.

Minutes. R. Regula made a motion that was seconded by M. Tessier to approve the Minutes of the February 16, 2015 meeting. Motion carried (4-0).

Selectboard Orders. S. Switzer added \$89.84 to the pay orders for dog licensing tags. G. Fredette made a motion that was seconded by R. Regula to approve pay orders totaling \$26,075.05. Motion carried (4-0).

Annual Lister Certificate. M. Tessier made a motion that was seconded by G. Fredette to approve assessor John Tiffany's request to sign the annual No Appeal or Suit Pending form for 2014. Motion carried (4-0).

Town Service Officer. M. Tessier made a motion that was seconded by R. Regula to reappoint Julie Sharon as town service officer. Motion carried (4-0).

VTrans Bridge Priority List. The board reviewed a bridge rehabilitation priority list submitted to the town by Rutland Region Transportation Council on behalf of VTrans. The board agreed Bridge 54 on Route 140W should be removed from the list as it was rehabilitated a few years ago. The board agreed Bridge 59 on Creek Road ought to be moved up the priority list to #2.

Other Business/Announcements. The board discussed a request by Sharon Nimitz to allow a snowmobile to travel over the trails at Stone Meadow to pack down the snow after storms for skiers, hikers and snowshoers. The board agreed this could create an issue with snowmobile operators thinking they would be allowed to use the trails. The board by unanimous consent denied the request.

Zoning Administrator Jeff Biasuzzi's request to attend workshops on March 5 in Manchester at a cost of \$40 and June 10 in Morey at a cost of \$109 was approved by unanimous consent.

The board approved by unanimous consent submitting a VLCT PACIF 2015 Grant application totaling \$1426.99 for security lights at the ballfield and Elfin Lake. If approved, VLCT would award 50% of the total with the town responsible for a 50% match.

The board briefly reviewed Wayne Kelly's letter regarding snow plowing on West Hill Road. They directed S. Switzer to provide copies to the road foreman and road commissioner.

M. Tessier said he received a complaint about a plugged culvert on High Street. S. Switzer indicated she had contacted the road foreman about that concern.

The board briefly discussed road crew overtime. S. Switzer said she obtained information at the board's request from the state Department of Motor Vehicles regarding the number of consecutive hours an employee can work and operate a municipal vehicle. A DMV official indicated there were no time restrictions, but the town would be responsible for accidents due to driver fatigue. The board discussed establishing a policy limiting the road crew to 15 hours of work before required rest. The board agreed to revisit the issue at a future meeting.

The board received copies of the constable's February monthly activities' report. The board also received the zoning administrator's notice of a public hearing scheduled for March 19 at 7:30 p.m. The hearing is related to an appeal of the Phillips' lot line adjustment permit for Route 140 and Waldo Lane property.

The meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Date Approved: 03/16/15

Sandi Switzer, Town Administrator