

## Minutes of the East Montpelier Selectboard

*APPROVED 3/19/12*

March 5, 2012

SB Members Present: Bruce Johnson (Chair), Peter Hill, Seth Gardner, Carl Etnier, Casey Northrup

Others Present: Kristi Flynn (Recording Secretary), Stephen Syz, Steven Libby

**Call to Order:** 6:32pm

**Additions to the Agenda:** Protocol on tax abatement request

**Public Comment:** None

### **Vermont River Conservancy Transfer of Former Soule Property on Coburn Road to the Town**

The SB received the final documents for the Warranty Deed & Property Transfer. The VRC will maintain in their files a notation that they shall not convey the easement to any neighboring towns.

**Motion: The SB resolves to accept the former Soule property put forth in the warranty deed from the Vermont River Conservancy.** Made: Gardner, second: Hill

**Vote on Motion:** Passed 5-0

The SB signed the VRC warrant.

### **Financing Options for the New Plow Truck**

The SB reviewed the options forwarded by the Road Foreman. The SB chose Option 1 from Mack, 5 payments with first payment at closing.

**Motion: I move to authorize the Chair to fill out and sign the Baystone Financial application with Option 1.** Made: Northrup, second: Etnier

**Vote on Motion:** Passed 5-0

### **State of Vermont Park N Ride Grant Agreement**

The agreement is a standard agreement from VTrans. The grant is for the construction, the town is not responsible for the design. Phase II of brownfields is commencing in April, should be completed in May. There was some discussion regarding protecting the tax payers; the project cost will stop at \$300,000, which is the amount of the grant. The town gets the design from the state and then hires a project manager.

**Motion: I move to authorize the Chair to sign the State of Vermont Park N Ride Grant Agreement.** Made: Gardner, second: Hill

**Vote on Motion:** Passed 5-0

### **SB Work Session for 2013 Town Plan Update**

Tabled to meeting after Town Meeting

### **SB Work Session for Town Meeting**

Farm contracts – amendment could extend expiration in 2012 by 1 year. New rules could follow state's current use rules with SB oversight.

EMFD budget article – test the sentiment of the townspeople with a straw poll

### **Access Permit – Hawkins subdivision**

There is a new driveway located between the existing trailer driveway and the drive to the pop-up barn. The Hawkins would like to have two residences off one driveway; the DRB has not approved the subdivision yet, waiting for access permit.

**Motion: I move to approve the access permit for the Hawkins subdivision as recommended by the Road Foreman.**

Made: Etnier, second: Northrup

**Vote on Motion:** Passed 5-0

### **Excess Weight Permit**

**Motion: I move to approve the EWP for Pike Industries, Scott A Brown Trucking, GK Bisson Trucking LLC, Central Vermont Solid Waste Management District, Allen Lumber Co., McCullough Crushing, Johnson Artesian Well Drilling, Huntington Homes Inc., Engineers Construction, Inc., and United Natural Foods.** Made: Gardner, second: Hill

**Vote on Motion:** Passed 5-0

**Warrants**

Signed

**Review of Minutes**

February 20, 2012

**Motion: I move to approve as amended.** Made: Gardner, second: Northrup

**Vote on Motion:** Passed 5-0

**Other Business**

Protocol for tax abatement – Chair of BCA’s job is to develop a policy; townspeople need to know what to expect

**Town Administrator Report**

Town meeting – is all set

T.S. Irene – state payment has been approved & check should be on its way

Sanfacon NOV Appeal – DRB upheld the ZA’s Notice of Violation, haven’t heard if Sanfacon will appeal

Swenson letter from ZA – re: unpermitted yurt on Fair Road

Traffic Ordinance correction – change reference to Section 2 to Section 3

Dog Issues – Sandy Conti

-North Street – loud dogs, some complaints, moved within the last month, Sandy has it under control

-County Rd – Rottweiler and 2<sup>nd</sup> dog are harassing neighbors, owners are not responding

-VT Rte 14S – friendly dog “captured” taken to the Humane Society

Goldman/Goddard mediation – first mediation session is scheduled for 3/15

Next meeting is March 19 at 6:30pm.

**Motion: To adjourn.** Made: Hill, second: Gardner

**Vote on Motion:** Passed 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm.

*Respectfully submitted by Kristi Flynn, Recording Secretary*