

Selectboard Memo
March 16, 2015 SB Meeting

Discussion with Vermont State Police; Consideration of 2015 State Police Contract

- Middlesex Division Chief Lieutenant Matt Nally will be here to discuss current services and any concerns as well as present the 2015/16 contract

Consideration of Planning Commission Plan to Consolidate Zoning Regulation Amendment Proposals

- See document from PC requesting that SB stop the current review of the 2014 amendment packet and “return” it to the PC to be consolidated with its current amendment proposal (soon to go to hearing)

Discussion on Remaining Farm Contracts

- The only one left as of April 1, 2015 is Theresa Parker, 2188 US Rte. 2; 22 acres, expires March 2016; the “cost” (the amount we need to raise as part of the local agreements tax rate) of the contract for tax year 2015/16 is approximately \$500 (less than \$0.0002 on the tax rate)

VTrans High Risk Rural Roads Program Participation Option

- CVRPC submitted County Road as a potential target for the program this year; it and a road in Waterbury were chosen in Central Vermont
- Essentially our part of this is for Road Foreman Garand and at least one board member to participate in a site visit/meeting; VTrans will produce a report with recommendations; the town will have the opportunity to reject the report or offer amendments; once accepted, we’ll need to agree to maintain whatever work is performed; VTrans will then contract with a firm to do the actual work (generally in the following year, so 2016 in this case)
- If willing to participate in the program, need motion authorizing TA Johnson to sign form

2015 Selectboard Organization

- At a minimum, board needs to elect a chair and vice-chair

2015 Selectboard Rules of Transaction

- See draft 2015 rules; no changes from 2014
- The board needs to adopt 2015 rules to meet statutory requirements for meeting notice

2015 Town Meeting Review

- No one ran for Second Constable; Paul Haynes, former 2nd Constable received most write-in votes (far short of the necessary total)
 - According to VLCT’s Gwynn Zakov (attorney), the 2nd Constable is an optional position and does not need to be filled
 - 17 V.S.A. §2646(7) allows the 2nd Constable “if needed”

Additions to Agenda

- Forest Fund CD at Maturity:
 - Treasurer Welch recommends continuing to invest this fund in an annual cd; no specific plans for fund use at this time; possibility of revenue for fund in the future (no specific date, but not too many years out) due to potential logging activity in the town forest (Forest Committee considering possibility)
- Town Meeting Minutes:
 - Town Clerk Conti has prepared draft 2015 School & Town Meeting minutes; if possible, she would appreciate board signatures on the town meeting minutes (the school board is facing a similar request at its meeting this evening)

Appointments

- See sheet of pending appointments
- Town Service Officer form needs to be signed by all board members
- CVSWMD Representative form needs to be signed by Chair Gardner
- Need to decide how to handle CVRPC alternate representative vacancy

Town Administrator Report

- Animal Control Officer Update:
 - Complaint from lady at 360 Horn of Moon Road; around March 4th visiting male friend (from White River area) jogging on North Street was nipped by one of Amy Thornton's dogs (broke skin; no medical attention; no desire to file formal complaint)
 - Sandy followed up
- Fire Extinguisher Annual Contract
 - We've always just had VT Fire Extinguisher do the annual servicing of extinguishers (total cost for both the town office and town garage is less than \$160)
 - FireProTec would like an opportunity to handle the service
- Mold Inspection Services
 - Town Clerk Conti has been hinting again that she would like a mold inspection
 - Firm in Montpelier (Green Home Solutions) is conveniently soliciting business
 - We last were inspected after the mold remediation work in 2011
- Road Foreman Update:
 - Accident with town pickup
 - Backed into a state truck; little damage; report filed with VLCT
 - Sodom Pond Road
 - Water over road for past week; needs material to raise area
- Upcoming Schedule of Events:
 - March 30th Special SB meeting (in lieu of regular April 6th meeting)
6:30 p.m. at town office
 - April 13th Special SB meeting (in lieu of regular April 20th meeting)
6:30 p.m. at town office
 - April 16th Quarterly EMFD budget presentation
7:00 p.m. at ESF
 - May 4th Regular SB meeting
6:30 p.m. at town office

Zoning Administrator Report

- No new applications; no DRB meeting currently scheduled