

Minutes of the Franklin Selectboard Town Clerk's Office June 7, 2017 @ 7:00 p.m.

The Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Selectboard Chair Peter M. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.

Present: Peter Magnant, Brooks Sturtevant, Yvon Dandurand, Ed Rainville and Sandi Murphy (minute taker)

Guests: Robert Bender, Gordon Bender, John Barrows from Franklin Watershed Committee and Bridget Thompson from the Recreation Department

Agenda Amendments: Elevator inspection contract has been scratched off the agenda.

Public Comment Period - The Bender's asked if there was any update on the water break. The SB has no new news. The water meeting is Monday, June 12, 2017.

Approval of Minutes from the May 17, 2017 meeting – Brooks S/Ed R made a motion to accept the Minutes with one correction (line 104 has a misspelled word - advise). Vote taken, All in favor and the motion passes. The Minutes of May 17, 2017 are approved.

Highway Department -

- Main Street ROW resident concerns - The Bender's who reside at 5225 Main Street have concerns about the public and delivery trucks parking in front of their home and blocking their driveway. They have put up "Do Not Block Driveway" signs. They are asking the SB for help. The SB agreed to discuss their options. Ed R agreed to talk with Bill Mayo, the store owner about the delivery trucks. Also, the Bender's spoke about the speeders on Main Street.
- Road Foreman job description posting notice draft – Peter M said the SB needs to meet with Jeremy to go over what the Foreman position entails. Yvon D talked to Jeremy and he is ready and willing to talk with SB any time. Peter M suggested June 12, 2017 @ 7:00 p.m. After the water meeting. Lisa the Town Clerk needs to warn this meeting.
- Sign the Better Roads Grant agreement for Webster Road - The Grant is for \$6328 total with a 20% match from the town. Jim from the State should look at the culvert. Ed R/Yvon D made the motion to sign the Grant Agreement. Vote taken, all in favor, motion carried. Pete M signed the Grant Agreement.

FWC - John Barrows regarding Swamp Road culvert work - There are three culverts involved. FWC is doing the stonework and there is a 20% match needed from the Town. John Barrows went over the work to be done. He has received three quotes for the job description. 1) Shumway Landscaping from Swanton, VT quoted \$1943.06 2) Charles Havreluk from Fairfax quoted \$5630. 3) Phillip Pelkey quoted \$10,722. No Permits are needed. Discussion ensued. Brooks S/Ed R made the motion to accept Bid #1 from Shumway Landscaping. Vote taken, all in favor, motion carried.

Town Clerk concerns

- Rec Dept. Insurance - Bridget Thompson was present to discuss making sure the Rec.Dept. Employees and Independent Contractors have the right kind of Insurance. Also, the Rec. Board Members need to be appointed for certain terms. Two positions need to be filled. The

Rec. Committee will make recommendations to the SB. Brooks S/ Yvon D made a motion for the Rec.Dept. to use 1099 Independent Contactor status for associates and to cover the costs of all exposure out of fees received. Vote taken, all in favor, motion carried.

- Procurement Purchasing Policy - Lisa has been working on this as it is needed for Grant writing. Drafts need to be reviewed. Discussion will follow at the next meeting.
- Dog complaints - A complaint dated June 6, 2017 came in from Carolyn Kittell. The incident happened on June 5, 2017. Carolyn's dog (Henry) was bitten by Irene Robear's dog. Peter M suggested the SB send a letter to the Robear's and ask Dennis Demar (dog catcher) to pay the Robear's a visit. Also, on May 19, 2017 Arnold Lagrow complained that Mark Comb's dog does his daily BM on Lagrow's property. Peter M suggested the same response; a letter to Comb's and a visit from Dennis Demar.
- Old wooden door in the attic - Eric Gerard has offered \$50 for the door. A SB member will look at the door to help determine if they want to sell it and what the value may be.
- Highway internet costs - it will be \$75 for the modem and \$38.95 per month for the wifi service. (a total of \$542 for the first year). Discussion ensued. No action taken.
- Dog warrant - this warrant allows for dogs to be picked up if they are not registered. Brooks S/Ed R made the motion to sign the dog warrant. Vote taken, all in favor, motion carried. The warrant was signed by Peter M.

Review and Sign Bills: Board reviewed and signed bills presented.

Old Business

- Town Hall electrical contract/ pre-work meeting date – Ed R said that dimmers are recommended on the LED lights which will cost a little more. Lisa will set up a meeting with Chris Stark (the Electrician). It was suggested June 21, 2017 at 6:00 p.m..
- Sign land lease agreement - Paul Rainville rents the 18 acres of tillable land next to the Town garage and the annual lease is up for renewal. Ed R/Yvon D made a motion to sign the agreement. Vote taken, all in favor, motion carried. Peter M signed the lease.

New Business

- Bertrand Road name change - at the last discussion the SB asked Corey Bertrand to get Dan Larivee's written approval and they would discuss the matter further. Mr. Bertrand was unable to obtain Dan's approval. Now the Town Zoning Administrator, Bob Irish has received a letter from Bertrand's attorney, Meg Manahan. Peter M read the letter aloud. Discussion ensued. The SB decided not to respond to the letter at this time.
- LCCA fireworks permission letter - the letter is asking to close Route 120 at the north end of Lake Carmi on July 3, 2017 from 5:00p.m to 10:00 p.m. for the Boat Race, Pontoon parade and fireworks. Brooks S/Yvon D made the motion to sign the letter. Vote taken, all in favor, motion carried. Peter M signed the letter.

Selectboard folder

All SB Members reviewed the contents of the folder.

Member concerns

- Yvon D - no concerns at this time.

- Brooks S - Brooks is working on the weed harvester schedule. Brooks asked if they could put coasters on the Piano at the Town Hall. And the toilet at Town Hall is plugged and needs attention.
- Ed R asked who the 4 wheeler riders are. Someone needs to talk to Bob Norris about what can be done to slow these riders down.
- Peter M - Peter wants to Publicly Thank Brenna Sturtevant for the great job of organizing the Memorial Day Parade. Peter M said the SB needs to get sealing bids out soon. Peter asked what the SB/Town should do for the Road Foreman's retirement. It was suggested perhaps a BBQ at the Town garage and a small gift. Peter M/Brooks S made a motion to spend up to \$250 on a gift from the Town. They will plan a BBQ.

At 9:55 p.m. a motion to adjourn was made by Brooks S/Ed R. Vote taken, all in favor, motion carried.

THE NEXT MEETING OF THE FRANKLIN SELECTBOARD WILL BE JUNE 21, 2017 AT 7:00 P.M. AT THE HOMESTEAD FELCO ROOM IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE TOWN PLAN PUBLIC HEARING

Respectfully submitted,
Sandi Murphy
Minute Taker
June 8, 2107

These minutes are not official until approved at the next Selectboard meeting.
These minutes were approved at the June 21, 2017 select board meeting.