

# FRANKLIN SELECTBOARD MEETING

## SEPTEMBER 21, 2016 @ 7:00 p.m.

### TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE

Members Present: Brooks Sturtevant, Peter Magnant, Yvon Dandurand, Andy Godin and Sandi Murphy (minute taker)

GUESTS: RON JACKSON, KIM GATES, HUGH GATES, BRIDGETTE FAVREAU, STEPHANIE HO, BRIDGETT THOMPSON.

At 7:04 p.m. Peter M called the meeting to order. All recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA AMENDMENTS: Add under New Business - town road electric crossing on Messier Road and the Dog Complaint.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD - Ron Jackson was present to ask a question, but this will be taken up under agenda item #4.

APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 7, 2016 MINUTES: Yvon D/Brooks S made the motion to accept the minutes as corrected. Corrections are to add Jeremy Barnum to the Guest list and to delete lines 79 and 80 where it says "hold off on sending the letter". Vote taken. Motion carried with all in favor of approving minutes as corrected.

BEACH PROPERTY - Resident request

Ron Jackson at 2487 Lake Road was present to ask the SELECTBOARD if the Town would consider leasing or selling the waterfront directly in front of his camp. This is approximately 100-115 feet of lake frontage. Peter M said the board would need to discuss this further and he asked Mr. Jackson to please make his request in writing. This will be discussed further later.

FRANKLIN TELEPHONE - Park and Ride discussion

Kim Gates was present. She said they went to their Board of Directors with this discussion and they have not come up with a solution. Peter M stated what he understood the State wanted for the Park and Ride. Kim asked if the SB has looked into the Insurance issue. She suggested maybe the VLCT could help with this. Brooks S asked if there were any areas of compromise. Hugh Gates said if the SB had gone through the Planning and Zoning process it may have helped early on. Hugh said the driveway agreement was a compromise. Peter M is concerned about what the State will expect. It was suggested the town take down the sign, monitor the use over time and check with VLCT for help. This will help give updated info to the State.

RECREATION BOARD Member appointments - Peter M talked about the meeting that was held. The Selectboard has not decided yet how many members the Rec Committee will have. Peter M thinks five voting members who are town residents would be good with an advisory board of others that could be non-residents. Six letters have been received from people interested in serving on the Rec Committee.

Just now(7:40p.m.) the members of the Interim Rec Committee arrived.( Bridgette Favreau, Stephanie Ho and Bridgett Thompson). Peter caught them up on the conversation in progress and asked if they had any recommendations for who the remaining Rec Committee members should be. Bridgette Favreau spoke recommending Nicki Tatro and Brady Giroux. Once the Rec Committee Board is up and running the terms will be staggered. Lisa will notify any new appointees. The Rec Committee wants new members ASAP because of the Little League ballot voting next week.

REVIEW AND SIGN BILLS - all SB members reviewed and signed the bills and orders.

OLD BUSINESS –

- Weed Harvester update: Brooks S said Ed Rainville had run the harvester on Friday for about two hours and all went well. The SB is in agreement that the engine needs to be changed in the future. They will need to budget for this. It was agreed the harvester should be removed from the lake soon.
- Library Pillars: Henry Rainville will give an estimate next week and he can get to the job later this fall.
- Flashing Speed Sign on Rte. 120: an 1111 Permit is needed. Even though we are not sure about doing the sign we can apply for the Permit. Lisa has one filled out and ready to sign. Brooks S/Yvon D made a motion for Peter M to sign the application. Vote taken, Motion carried with all in favor.
- Better Road Grant Signing: this Grant is to stabilize the culverts on Swamp Road. Brooks S/Yvon D made the motion for Peter to sign the Grant Application. Vote taken, motion carried with all in favor.

## NEW BUSINESS –

- Towle Neighborhood Rd: the SB members reviewed the bill Lisa prepared for the Towle Neighborhood Road culvert work. It was determined the bill needs to be revised before it is sent out.
- ACT 250 paperless delegation - the State wants the SB to authorize/delegate someone to accept service for the purposes of Act 250 Paperless Application Notices. Brooks S/Yvon D made a motion for Peter M to sign for this to happen. Vote taken, motion carried with all in favor.
- Resolution for Municipal Planning Grant – Brooks S/Andy G made a motion for the SB to apply for this Grant. Vote taken, motion carried with all in favor.
- Town Road electric crossing on Messier Road - VT Electric Coop had a form they wanted signed to allow this. Brooks S/Yvon D made a motion to allow VELCO to do this. Vote taken, motion carried with all in favor.
- Dog Complaint- Cecile Beauregard said dogs located at 505 Messier Road are vicious and are attacking her. Lisa has given a copy of the complaint to Dennis Demar, the town dog catcher. Peter M suggested they meet Monday, September 26th, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. to address the dog complaint.

SELECTBOARD FOLDER - Peter went over the contents with all present.

## MEMBER CONCERNS/OTHER BUSINESS

- Brooks S/Andy G made a motion to have a five member board Rec Committee and an advisory committee with as many members as needed. Vote taken and the motion carried with all in favor. Andy G/Brooks S made a motion to appoint Brady Giroux and Nicki Tatro to the Rec Committee Board. Vote taken, motion carried with all in favor. Lisa will send letters to the new appointees.
- Member Concerns- Andy G said they found the "Rule Sign" that is usually posted at the north end of the lake. They will repost it next spring along with a "don't feed the ducks" sign. Andy G asked who has say over ATV's on state highways? Answer:VTRANS
- Brooks S has no concerns.
- Yvon D wants to know if the SB can discuss the tax rate issue again. Peter said Lisa is checking with the Auditors on the best time to have a special meeting. Yvon D asked about the sidewalk issue near the store. No resolution. Yvon D said the Kabota tractor needed repair work and he wanted to know if the school could pay for this.
- Peter M asked Andy when the paving would start. Andy will check on this. St.Onge will start as soon as he gets a permit from the state. Peter M said the brick repair work on this building needs to be done. Peter M asked what everyone's thoughts were on selling off the beachfront. All members agreed to bring this up at town meeting.
- Andy G spoke concerning the undercoating on the new truck. He had a quote of approximately \$3,000. Also, the new truck had some issues that are being addressed by Clark's and Viking. Also, Square Road needs some crack sealing. Andy will look closer at the cracks and if Demag Sealing can do it for under \$500 he can go ahead and get it done.

At 9:10 p.m. Brooks/Yvon D made a motion to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING WILL BE OCTOBER 5th, 2016 At 7:00PM

Respectfully submitted,  
Sandi Murphy (minute taker)

**These minutes are not official until approved at the next regular board meeting.**

These minutes were approved at the October 5, 2016 board meeting.