

**TOWN OF DERBY, VERMONT
SELECT BOARD MEETING**

**Minutes
July 18, 2016**

Present: Grant Spates, Josh Provost, Beula Shattuck, Brian Smith, Perry Hunt.

Others: Nathalie Ouellet, Marjolaine Tremblay, Paul Prue, Louis Barber, Rod Lyon, Maryann Tetreault, Laurie Moss, Joe Profera, Bob Kelley.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER - 6:00 P.M.

Because there was no meeting on the 4th of July, the Selectboard stopped in the office 2 weeks ago and Warrants 14A in the amount of \$18,743.51 and #14B in the amount of \$92,968.28 were signed.

Warrants #15A in the amount of \$21,903.68 and #15B in the amount of \$167,789.70 were signed.

Beula moved to approve the minutes of June 20, 2016, with Grant seconding. Unanimous.

Brian added Mobile Home Tax Sale to the agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Louis Barber would like the sheriff's dept to run radar on Elm St again and thinks the speed limit should be lowered to 25 mph. People are constantly speeding along the road. The Board agreed to get the sheriff over there again.

Paul Prue was upset and questioned the board about the way the Rublee appeal was handled. The Board explained why they acted the way they did.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mobile Home Tax Sale – Delinquent Tax Collector Maryann Tetreault explained that one of the properties up for tax sale owned by Nazaire & Andre Marc-Aurele (PID #0000TTPK08-4A06) is a mobile home that has been demolished and removed from town. The address for the former owner of the mobile home is in care of an out of state son. Maryann does not see how we can possibly collect the back taxes. There was speculation that the owner is now deceased. The Board agreed that collection may be impossible. The Town needs to check to see if this can be brought to small claims court. Grant moved to remove parcel 0000TTPK08-4A06 from the grand list, with Beula seconding. Unanimous. Grant moved to remove parcel 0000TTPK08-4A06 from the delinquent tax list, with Perry seconding. Unanimous.

Sign Kingdom Games Permit Process – Brian signed the letter.

Sign State of Vermont Grant Agreement – This is the engineering grant for the Eagle Point culvert. Grant explained that he has been working on the State and the Feds to get funding for this project. Everyone thought that a bridge would be the best option for replacing the culvert. Brian signed the Grant Agreement.

Laurie Moss – Derby Line Community Day – Laurie asked if the Board would be supporting Community Day again this year. Last year the Town gave them \$1,300. Community Day has been a big success and keeps growing every year. Beula moved to give \$1,400 to Derby Line Community Day this year, with Grant seconding. Unanimous.

Sign Grant Application Note – This loan is to pay for the various projects we have until we get reimbursed from the State. Beula moved to sign the note, with Perry seconding. Unanimous.

Tennis Courts – Bob reported that it is time to fix the cracks on the tennis courts again. He has a quote from one company for \$3,469 and is waiting for a second quote. Also the trees along the south side need to be trimmed back so that they are not overhanging the courts. Bob suggested that they be trimmed back so that they are 10 ft from the fence. Bob was directed to get quotes

to do this work. The south end of the courts are getting slick because of debris falling from the trees and needs to be pressure washed, the Pickleball players may volunteer to do this. The last issue is the lines that were painted last year for the Pickleball courts has faded, the company that painted them will look at the issue the end of this week.

Municipal Building – Many of the exterior lights on the building are not working. J & S Electrical has estimated \$1,220 to replace all 7 lights with LEDs based on a full day for 2 men. The Board agreed to do the work and that the Town should check with Green Mountain Electric to see if there are any deals on fixtures that would lower the cost. The trim on the building is in bad shape. It was thought that NC³ would be able to do the job, but they were not able to get to us. The rotted boards need to be fixed this year before the rot spreads any more. Bob will look into the cost to get the rotted boards replaced and look up the quotes we got last year for painting/encasing the trim. Also the building needs to be pressure washed but this will have to wait until we are ready to paint/encase the trim.

OLD/OTHER BUSINESS:

Route 5 Speed Limit Derby Center – Derby Line – The State is reconsidering our request to lower the speed limit between Derby Center and Derby Line. The engineer is not recommending a change but would not be opposed to changing it to 40 mph from north of Walts to north of Wallace Road. The Traffic Committee will be meeting on August 3rd to discuss this. Grant recommended the board participate in the meeting by phone if they cannot attend the meeting in person. The meeting will be at 1:00 pm in the Vtrans Board Room, 5th floor of the National Life Building in Montpelier.

Road Erosion Inventory Grant – The kickoff meeting for this project is Wednesday July 20th at 8:00 am here in the Municipal Building.

ROAD REPORT:

The work on the Pine Hill Culvert should be wrapping up this week. Walmart should be paving their road cuts on Thursday. Hazen Converse needs to pave his road cut on N Derby Rd and a letter needs to be sent to him. West St is getting used more as a bypass now that there is a 3-way stop at the T. Maybe we can get NVDA to do a traffic count on the road. Also now that it is becoming more of a bypass the State needs to step up and help with this road.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

7:08 pm – Beula moved to go into executive session to discuss a personnel issue, with Grant seconding. Unanimous

7:20 pm – Out of executive session. No action taken.

ADJOURNMENT:

The next regular meeting is scheduled for 6:00 p.m. Monday, August 1st.

At 7:24 pm Beula moved to adjourn, with Josh seconding. Unanimous.

Submitted by Bob Kelley

Unofficial until approved