

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

**Minutes**

**January 30, 2017**

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

**Others:** Erik Christman, Sue Best, Albert Stringer, Joe Profera, Bob Kelley.

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

Warrants #3A in the amount of \$17,756.33 and #3B in the amount of \$39,804.03 were signed.

Brian moved to recess the meeting for a public hearing on the proposed discontinuance of a portion of Town Highway #33 (Christman Road), with Perry seconding. Unanimous.

**PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES:**

The proposed discontinuance being all that portion of the roadway designated on the Derby Town Highway Map as Town Highway No. 33, known as the Christman Road, which is presently classified as a Class 4 Town Highway, the center line of which said portion is described as follows: Commencing at the point located 0.90 mile West Southwesterly from the intersection of the center line of said Town Highway No. 33 with the center line of Derby Town Highway No. 5, known as the Hinman Settler Road; hence proceeding in a general Southerly direction a distance of 0.45 mile, more or less, to the point of termination of said Town Highway No. 33.

The Planning Commission reviewed the proposal and do not have any problem with it. Erik Christman asked that the board coordinate their site visit with his mother. There was no opposition to the proposed discontinuance. The Board agreed on a site visit to examine the road at 8:00 a.m. Saturday, February 4, 2017.

At 6:05 Brian moved to close the public hearing and return to their regular meeting, with Beula seconding. Unanimous.

**APPROVE MINUTES:**

Beula moved to approve the minutes of January 16, 2017, with Josh seconding. Unanimous.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Listers – Town Wide Reappraisal** – Sue Best explained the need for a reappraisal. The last town wide reappraisal was completed for the 2007 Grand List. The firm that did the last reappraisal can do this one over the next 3 years and have it completed for the 2020 Grand List. The State provides the Town with \$7/parcel/year for reappraisals. By 2020 the dedicated reappraisal fund will be sufficient to pay the anticipated \$235,000 for the reappraisal. The Board agreed to have the listers proceed with getting a contract for them to review and approve.

**Sign Liquor Licenses – (Kinney Drugs, Price Chopper, CVS Pharmacy & Newport Elks) –**

At 6:18 Brian moved to go into a liquor board meeting, with Perry seconding. Unanimous.

6:20 Brian moved to come out of the liquor board meeting, with Perry seconding. Unanimous.

Beula moved to approve the licenses for Kinney Drugs, Price Chopper, CVS Pharmacy & Newport Elks, with Josh seconding. Unanimous.

**Sign Excess Weight Permits: RG Gosselin, Gosselin Water Wells, Velco, Newport Sand & Gravel, Caroll Concrete, and CSE Inc.** – Perry move to have the Road Commissioner sign the Excess Weight Permits for RG Gosselin, Gosselin Water Wells, Velco, Newport Sand & Gravel, Caroll Concrete, and CSE Inc, with Josh seconding. Unanimous.

**Sign Warning** – The Board signed the warning for the 2017 Town Meeting.

**Sign Audit Draft** – The Board signed the Audit Draft and would like a copy of the Final Audit for all Board members.

**Sign Budget** – One anticipated appropriate was not submitted lowering the proposed budget by \$1,000, Brian moved to approve the revised budget of \$2,774,787.18, with Josh seconding. Unanimous.

**Jr. High Crosswalk** – A letter is needed to request approval from the State for the crosswalk at the Jr. High. Bob drafted a letter for the Board to review. The Board authorized Grant to sign the letter.

**OLD/OTHER BUSINESS:**

**Drift Dusters Annual Landowner Appreciation Dinner** – Brian is interested in going to the dinner and will fill out the form and return it to them.

**Legislative Update** – Brian updated the Board, he is on the General Affairs, Housing and Military committees. The senior hunting licenses have been moved back to the age of 66. Low and middle income housing is a priority in Montpelier this year.

**Dairy Air Wind – Holland** – The wind project has had 2 people filing for party status.

**Zoning – Barrup Violation** – Bob updated the Board, an application has been submitted for the lights that are in violation, but Mr. Barrup refuses to pay the added fee for applying after the fact. This makes it an incomplete application and it cannot be processed until the full fee is paid.

**ROAD REPORT:**

Potholes have been an issue with the weather we have been having, but there is not much we can do about it except keep repairing them.

3 trucks went off the road in the last storm due to slippery conditions, not driver error. They were all using chains at the time and there was no damage to the trucks or drivers. One hit a telephone pole on Ridgehill Drive and was a pain to get back onto the road because it was fully loaded.

The cab for the grader should be in on Friday.

We have a quote for a new truck; \$99,925.10 for the truck & \$55,100.00 for the body/plow. Total price \$155,025.10 This is \$10,000 under budget. Perry asked for permission to order the truck with a clause that it is dependent on the budget passing. Josh moved to purchase the truck, with Beula seconding. Unanimous.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** None.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The next regular meeting is scheduled for 6:00 p.m. Monday, February 13, 2017.

At 6:59 pm Beula moved to adjourn, with Brian seconding. Unanimous.

Submitted by Bob Kelley

*Unofficial until approved*