

**Royalton Selectboard Meeting  
November 20, 2012  
Royalton Town Clerk's Office**

Public present: Town Clerk: Karmen Bascom, Jason Caron, Financial Manager Rose Hemond, Nathan Cleveland, Town Treasurer: Theresa Harrington

Selectboard present: Larry Trottier, Peggy Ainsworth, Ernie Amsden, Joan Goldstein, Phil Gates

Chairman L. Trottier called the budget meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

**Selectboard minutes of November 13, 2012**

**P. Ainsworth/J. Goldstein motion (capitalize RD under oxbow rd guardrails) motion passed 4-0**

**Motion by P. Gates, second by E. Amsden to approve utility permit application submitted by Sovernet. Motion passed 4-0**

**Mowing Contract (FY 2013 – 2014)**

**Motion by E. Amsden, second by L. Trottier to accept all bids including those received after 10:00 a.m. deadline. MOTION DENIED 1-3 with E. Amsden in favor.**

**Bids were as follows:**

**Countryside Property Management:**

**Mowing = \$820      Spring Cleanup = 1,000      Fall Cleanup = 1,250  
(25 mowings = \$20,500) W/Spring and Fall cleanup = \$22,750**

**Thad Giles**

**Mowing = \$680      Spring Cleanup = 680      Fall Cleanup = 680  
(25 mowings = \$17,000) W/spring and fall cleanup = \$18,360**

**Mark Corliss**

**Mowing = \$600      Spring Cleanup = 950      Fall Cleanup = 800  
(25 mowings = \$15,000) W/spring and fall cleanup = \$16,750**

**Jason Caron**

**Mowing = \$940      Spring Cleanup = 490      Fall Cleanup = 1,485  
(25 mowings = \$23,500) W/spring and fall cleanup = \$25,475**

**Valley Turf Services, LLC**

**Mowing = \$615      Spring Cleanup = 805      Fall Cleanup = 805  
(25 mowings = \$15,375) W/spring and fall cleanup = \$16,985**

**Richard Nelson = not accepted, received after 10:00 a.m. bid deadline (10:50 a.m.)**

**M/D Durkee Lawn Care = not accepted, received after 10 a.m. bid deadline (delivered to Town Clerk called at 1:00 p.m.)**

**Clay's Property Improvement = not accepted, received after 10 a.m. bid deadline (1:00 p.m.)**

**Motion by P. Gates, second by P. Ainsworth to contract with Mark Corliss for mowing of town properties for the summer 2013 mowing season. Motion passed 4-0**

#### **Proposed FY 2014 General Fund Budget**

Discussion ensued on the proposed FY 2014 General Fund budget.

Branchview Cemetery need maintenance budget from Keith and Theo Grimes.

The Listers and Recreation budget still need to be submitted. **Need to confirm if we appoint a tax collector when does that become effective? It was noted that there are 2 years left to pay off the Hope Property purchase, and another 10 years left on the Chelsea Street Bridge. Cash flow statement with payback schedule. Show Town expenditures. Get the state statute on appropriations.**

#### **Proposed FY 2014 Highway Fund Budget**

Discussion ensued on the proposed FY 2014 Highway Fund budget.

#### **Additional Business**

Chairman Trotter thanked Nathan Cleveland for the work he has done for the town and wished him the best in his new position with the State of Vermont.

**P. Gates /J. Goldstein motion to enter into executive session to discuss pending litigation.**

**Entered executive session at 9:24 p.m.**

**Exited executive session at 9:45 p.m. with no action taken. (P. Goldstein, E. Amsden)**

The Selectboard would like to invite a representative from Stizel, Page and Fletcher, PC to the next Royalton Selectboard meeting to discuss pending litigation.

Meeting adjourned at 9:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:  
Nathan P. Cleveland