

**Town of Royalton
Regular Selectboard Meeting
Selectboard Office
July 9, 2013**

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

Public present: Rose Hemond, Sandy Manouvelos, Stuart Levasseur, David Laurin, Bob Hull

Chairman Larry Trottier opened the Regular Selectboard Meeting at 7:00pm

David Laurin presented a modified floor plan for Town Offices using the rehabbed Crawford Auto Building. The cost is estimated at \$1.3 million dollars.

Johnson Hill Culvert: State project under the Vermont Structures Grant program. Rose presented three options prepared by Dubois and King for the Johnson Hill culvert. Before any work can be done the road crew needs to dig a test pit near the already existing culvert and determine if there is ledge present. If so Dubois and King need to come up with an alternate option. **J. Goldstein motion and P. Gates seconded to accept option # 3 if the test pit does not have ledge underneath it. Motion passed 4-0.**

Larry received an email from Marcos Miller from the Traffic Operation Department at V-Trans in response to a letter sent to the state in regards to Peg Elmer's request for "No Parking Signs" on Route 14 on the river side by her home. The email states those original signs were there illegally. The Vermont Traffic Committee does not meet again until the fall and then the town can submit a formal request for "No Parking" signs at this location. In the meantime to address the immediate problem the state offered to put up 200 feet of delineators, at no cost to the town, along this stretch of Route 14 along the White River in front of residence 3272. They will be spaced to deter parking along this area. **P. Ainsworth motioned to install the delineators and follow up with the state in the fall in regards to having formal signage posted at this location J. Goldstein seconded Motion passed 3-1 Ernie voted no.**

High Risk Rural Road; Details were presented to the Selectboard in regards rural road maintenance. The state is replacing signs and guardrails in the Town of Royalton at no cost to the town. **P. Ainsworth motioned to sign the town road maintenance agreement and J. Goldstein seconded. 3-2**

Bid Opening for Vermont Historic Preservation Project for Royalton Town House George White \$7460.00 and Blake Spencer \$7400.00. Joan commented that George Whites bid had more detail. The state grant is for \$3900.00. **J. Goldstein moved and P.Gates seconded to approve George White bid to make repairs to the Royalton Town House Motion passed 4-0**

Sign Revolving Loan to Town of Royalton for audit purposes Rose presented a letter to the Selectboard to sign acknowledging borrowing \$113,300.00 from the Revolving Loan fund to purchase the Crawford Property. Term 5 years, Annual payment amount \$22,660.00. The first payment is due on 06/01/14.

Angolano and Company Audit Sign Engagement Letter Auditors will be on site 08/30/2013 and the fee for the audit will be \$7700.00 **J. Goldstein motioned and P. Ainsworth seconded to sign the audit engagement letter. Motion passed 4-0**

Shaal Electric Generator Contract: Selectboard signed copy of the contract
Sign PT -172 for Use of Easement P Gates motioned and P.Ainsworth seconded to sign PT-172 Use of Easement on Route 14 Motion passed 4-0

Town of Royalton Tax abatement sign form for Crawford Property P. Gates motioned P.Ainsworth seconded to have Larry sign tax abatement on Crawford Property. Motion passed 4-0

Town Agent Appointment P. Gates motioned and J. Goldstein seconded to appoint Tavian Mayer as Town Agent to complete Frank Berks term until March 2014. Motion passed 4-0.

Dick Ellis requested use of the bandstand for Jazz Ensemble on 07/30/13 or 07/31/13 (Changed to 07/29/13) at 7pm **J. Goldstein motioned P. Gates seconded to allow concert on bandstand motion passes 4-0.**

Parking Ticket # 5586 appeal no motion made

Approve Meeting minutes 06/25/13 P. Ainsworth motioned and J. Goldstein seconded to approve meeting minutes for 06/25/13. Motion passed 4-0.

Special meeting minutes of June 28, 2013 J. Goldstein motioned and P. Gates seconded to approve the special meeting minutes. (Peggy and Ernie abstained not in attendance) Motion passed 2-0.

Fire Marshall Inspection Results Log Cabin. Selectboard decided to make the necessary repairs to convert the log cabin into office space for the listers. The listers could make appointments and meet with the public at the town clerk's office. **J. Goldstein motioned and P.Gates seconded to make the necessary repairs to use the log cabin as the Listers office. Motion passed 4-0.**

Recreation Committee appointment J Goldstein motioned and P Ainsworth seconded to appoint Jenny Lane for another term on the Recreation Committee. Motion passed 4-0

Rebecca Beguin resignation from the Royalton Planning Commission **J. Goldstein moved and P. Ainsworth seconded to accept Rebecca Beguin's resignation. Motion passed 4-0**

Solid Waste Facility Joint Board Appointed members Phil Gates, Bushrod Powers and Everett Lyons P.Ainsworth motioned and J. Goldstein seconded to approve the Joint Board members for District members from Royalton for the Solid Waste Facility in Royalton. Motion passed 4-0

Dell Cloud informed Larry that VLCT will pay \$160,240.91 on the embezzlement case P. Ainsworth motioned and P Gates seconded to accept the VLCT settlement on the Royalton Bethel Transfer station embezzlement. Motion passed 4-0

Rose presented a memo to start working on the FY 14/15 budgets starting as early in September 2013.

Seleboard approved Accounts Payable as prepared by the Town Treasurer.

Meeting Adjourned 9:40pm
Respectfully submitted
By Rose Hemond