

**Town of Royalton
Royalton Regular Selectboard Meeting
July 8, 2014
Town Office Safford Street**

Royalton Selectboard: Larry Trottier, Phil Gates, Joan Goldstein, Sandy Conrad
Regrets: Peggy Ainsworth

Public present: Stuart Levasseur, Ernie Amsden

Town Staff: Administration and Finance Manager Rose Hemond, Royalton Road Foreman Roger McCrillis

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

Ernie Amsden spoke to the Selectboard about cars parking on Chelsea Street in the designated loading and unloading space. Ernie told the Selectboard how unsafe it is to have cars parked in the middle of the road. He asked if the stenciling can be done over to make more apparent. The Selectboard will speak with the Road Foreman about this matter as well as Royalton Law Enforcement. Ernie also discussed dogs on the South Royalton Green. Lastly he asked about the four FEMA HMGP Properties recently acquired by the town and future plans for these parcels. He would like to reach out to Royalton residents and get some feedback on what can be done with these properties. The Selectboard expressed support of his effort.

Royalton Road Foreman Roger McCrillis discussed a culvert that was in need immediate repair on Post Farm Road. He told the Selectboard if the matter was not addressed immediately, further deterioration could cost the town over \$300k in road repair. The Selectboard discussed options to get repair done quickly and referred to some contractors currently working in Royalton who have machinery that can be used for this project. Larry and Phil will make some inquiries and get back to Roger.

Approval of Brownfield Easement on Crawford Property to the State of Vermont: The Selectboard reviewed an easement agreement prepared by Town Attorney, Tavian Mayer, and had some questions about the restrictions noted in the document. Rose will make some inquiries and report back to the Selectboard at the next meeting.

Liquor License Approval for Share, Eat in Harmony: The Selectboard reviewed a liquor license application. Discussion ensued and it was not approved due to the unclear nature of the application.

Memo from Delinquent Tax Collector Theresa Harrington: Rose read a memo to the Selectboard, from Delinquent Tax Collector Theresa Harrington, about the upcoming tax sales. Permission was requested to contract Attorney Jeff Lewis to handle the Town of Royalton's tax sales that will take place late August or early September 2014. **J. Goldstein motioned and P. Gates seconded to allow Theresa Harrington to contract Attorney Jeff Lewis to handle the upcoming tax sales. Motion passed 3-0.**

Legal fees for Crawford Brownfield Clean up: The Selectboard reviewed an invoice for legal fees for the brownfield clean up.

Approve Meeting Minutes 06/24/14: J. Goldstein motioned and P. Gates seconded to approve the meeting minutes for 06/24/14 with corrections Motion passed 3-0.

Phil Gates spoke about rescheduling a joint board meeting with Tunbridge and Sharon regarding the Royalton Rescue Squad to August 6, 2014

The Selectboard discussed and reviewed payroll reports as prepared by Compucount.

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The Selectboard reviewed and approved account payables as prepared by the Town Treasurer.

P. Gates motioned and S. Conrad seconded to enter into Executive Session at 8:45pm to discuss a potential contract matter and personnel matters. Motion passed 3-0

**J. Goldstein motioned and P. Gates seconded to exit Executive Session at 9:45pm
Motion passed 3-0.**

Action taken in regards to potential contract matters and personnel matters.

Meeting Adjourned 9:50 pm

Respectfully submitted

By Rose Hemond