

**SELECTBOARD MEETING
RICHFORD, VERMONT**

March 21, 2016

Chair Linda Collins called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 PM with members Tim Green, Wayne Hurtubise, Chris Martel, and Norris Tillotson present. Also present were Laura Ovitt, Listers Kim Collins, Eric Collins and Susan Fletcher, Bob Simmons, Lianne Trombley, Mike McAllister, John Nutting and Roger Wright.

Bob Simmons advised he is part of a group wanting to start a sports program at the playground for in-school kids. He has received a generous donation of basketball equipment from Dick's Sporting Goods. The board discussed details of the program.

Lianne Trombley discussed where to locate a permanent container at the playground for summer camp equipment. She will work with Chris Martel and Norris Tillotson. Bob Simmons, Lianne Trombley and Mike McAllister left the meeting.

Kim Collins advised she and the other listers are working on updating 911 records. As a result, lister hours may be more than budgeted at the end of the year. She needs written selectboard permission to renumber and rename streets to bring them into compliance. Kim advised the state recommends that the selectboard adopt an ordinance requiring every property to have a legible number. She provided a sample ordinance.

Susan Fletcher discussed the town hall/library survey. Motion made by Linda Collins, seconded by Wayne Hurtubise, to prepare a quit claim deed from the library to the town, making sure to include the covenant from the original 1914 mortgage deed. The motion carried.

Motion made by Linda Collins, seconded by Wayne Hurtubise, to enter executive session at 7:55 PM to discuss a contract. The motion carried. Kim Collins, Eric Collins and Susan Fletcher left.

Motion made by Tim Green, seconded by Wayne Hurtubise, to leave executive session at 8:10 PM. The motion carried. Eric Collins rejoined the meeting.

As a result of executive session, motion made by Linda Collins, seconded by Norris Tillotson, to authorize Wayne Hurtubise to enter into a contract with Wright's excavating for the culvert replacement on South Richford Road, reducing the amount by \$4,200 which is the cost of the bond that is not being required. The motion carried. Roger Wright left the meeting.

Chris Martel discussed potential playground upgrades.

John Nutting discussed the Better Roads grant program, saying he has applied for four projects.

Chris Martel advised there are 3 projects scheduled for cemeteries – the highway department will assist. Chris Martel and John Nutting left the meeting at 8:35 PM.

Motion made by Wayne Hurtubise, seconded by Norris Tillotson, to approve the minutes of the March 7 meeting. The motion carried.

Motion made by Tim Green, seconded by Linda Collins, to approve the minutes of the February 29 special meeting. The motion carried.

Linda Collins advised the fire department has asked permission to have a coin drop on April 16 for 6 hours. Motion made by Linda Collins, seconded by Norris Tillotson, to give permission. The motion carried.

Linda Collins reported the hand rail for the town hall inside stairs needs repair.

Linda reported she met with Darlene Gregoire to clarify some concerns regarding REAC.

Motion made by Linda Collins, seconded by Tim Green, to enter executive session at 8:45 PM to discuss personnel. The motion carried. Eric Collins left the meeting.

Motion made by Norris Tillotson, seconded by Tim Green, to leave executive session at 9:00 PM. The motion carried.

As a result of executive session, the board determined to advertise the town clerk position for two weeks.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Laura Ovitt
Administrative Assistant