

**SELECTBOARD MEETING
RICHFORD, VERMONT**

July 6, 2015

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, Bob Lafont of Pike Industries, Neal Lovelette, Gloria Spencer, John Libbey, Chuck Pearce, Eric Collins, Albert Perry, Joey Randall, Cameron Sheltra, Ron Sheltra and John Nutting (8.24 PM).

John Libbey requested improvements at Memorial Park citing hours, trash, lighting, and doggie bags. Tim Green responded that ANR has advised to not provide trash cans. He said new signs have been ordered.

Neal Lovelette questioned the condition of the tower clock and the plan – at one time – to improve the stairs.

Ron Sheltra discussed the 2014 water break on Main Street saying the town has dealt with everything except the foundation. The town's insurance has said they would help. Ron provided quotes for foundation repairs. He said there are issues with the storm drain at Dollar General. Ron and Cameron Sheltra left the meeting.

Albert Perry gave an overview of REAC's 111-113 Main Street project. A contract has been signed and construction is due to begin on July 13. Albert said REAC is requesting help from AOT for jersey barriers to set up the easement area. Albert left the meeting.

Bob Lafont of Pike Industries presented a quote for paving, saying work will begin in August and last about three days.

Motion made by Norris Tillotson, seconded by Chris Martel, to approve the minutes of the June 15 regular meeting. The motion carried with 3 yes and Norris Tillotson and Linda Collins voting no. Motion made by Norris Tillotson, seconded by Wayne Hurtubise, to approve the minutes of the July 1 special meeting. The motion carried, with Tim Green abstaining.

Linda Collins read letters from Valerie Martel, Jacques Desautels and Guy Charbonneau stating they wished to be reappointed to the DRB.

Motion made by Tim Green, seconded by Wayne Hurtubise, to reappoint Martel, Desautels and Charbonneau to the DRB. The motion carried, with Norris Tillotson abstaining.

Motion made by Tim Green, seconded by Linda Collins, to donate \$200 to the American Legion for their assistance to the town. The motion carried.

The delinquent tax collector has pulled the HO00019A parcel from the tax sale because the property is land locked.

Wayne Hurtubise addressed the issue with the storm drain at Dewey Street Extension.

Wayne reported the highway crew has been grading and spreading gravel and chlorine on the back roads.

Wayne reported the highway crew will be addressing side walks.

Chris Martel reported the summer camp is in full swing at the playground.

Chris is looking for someone to lock the playground at night. Tim Green said he may be able to help.

Linda Collins reported the Health Center wants a storage container at the playground for summer camp materials. The container will require zoning approval.

Tim Green reported the Lions Club has sold six picnic tables to the day camp.

Chris read a letter of appreciation from a relative of Troy Street cemetery residents.

Tim Green reported the replacement of the library roof is progressing.

Tim thanked the highway department for their assistance with Riverfest.

Chris Martel discussed the ATV issues. Tim Green said he has worked with the Sheriff's Office patrol commander and the situation is improving.

Linda Collins reported a complaint issued regarding a sheriff dispatcher. She read a letter from the Lamoille County Sheriff to the citizen. Linda also reported that the sheriff patrol has been stopping ATVs and, in some cases writing tickets.

Linda reported Beth O'Brien has expressed appreciation to the selectboard for the improved down town conditions.

Tim Green reported the Universal Recycling law took effect on July 1.

He discussed a concern from the zoning administrator regarding the common dumpster at 60 River Street. The landlord will be notified to provide adequate trash removal.

Norris Tillotson reported a water line break has occurred at the intersection of Liberty and Troy Streets. The board discussed water billing payments and meter readings.

John Nutting reported he contacted three paving companies and received one bid.

Motion made by Wayne Hurtubise, seconded by Linda Collins, to accept the bid from Pike Industries.

The motion carried.

John discussed the buried utility permit, saying he worked with Vt. Electric Coop and the state to modify an existing permit from another town.

Motion made by Linda Collins, seconded by Wayne Hurtubise, to adopt the permit. The motion carried. John discussed the replacement of Bridge #6 on North Branch Road. Signage for the detour will be installed and covered until construction begins.

Linda Collins discussed the handicapped parking spaces at the American Legion. John will provide the signs and ask the Legion to set the signs on the building.

John reported a Better Back Roads grant has been awarded for erosion control. The grant is for \$3520 and does not require a match from the town.

The board discussed the replacement of the Golf Course Road culvert.

John left the meeting.

The board revisited the Sheltra foundation issue and reviewed the proposals presented. Laura will scan the proposals and send them to the board.

Laura will send a letter to the Sheltra's saying the board needs to review the proposals and contact the insurance carrier. They will discuss the issue further at the July 20 meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:55 PM.

Laura Ovitt
Administrative Assistant