



MINUTES OF THE PAWLET SELECT BOARD

August 9, 2011

7:03 pm Meeting called to order by chair Mike Beecher

Present: Sue LaPorte, Joe Clark, Clarence Decker, Bob Jones, Mike Beecher

Audience Present: Charlie Mason

Minutes of July 12, 2011 were reviewed. *Motion by Deck, seconded by Sue to accept the minutes with corrections, so voted.*

Minutes of July 20, 2011 were reviewed. *Motion by Deck, seconded by Joe to accept the minutes as written, so voted.*

There was no meeting on July 26th, due to lack of quorum.

Audience

Charlie Mason, Lister:

- Sales are coming in, along with calls about getting assessments lowered. The equalization study will determine whether these assessments need to be adjusted.
- The Listers found some errors and omissions in the Grand List and submitted this list to the board. The board needs to vote on the list of errors and omissions to get it included in the grand list.

The board reviewed the list of errors and omissions from the listers. *Motion by Sue, seconded by Deck to accept the errors and omissions as submitted by the listers, so voted.* The document was signed by all the select board members.

Correspondence

Notes from Peter Pochop from Green Mountain Engineering were read. Mike will ask Peter for a recommendation on bond council. The board is in agreement to pursue the bond vote, as voted at a previous meeting. Mike signed the documents provided. Mike will talk to Peter about the ordinance.

The Clerk's memo was reviewed

- Make a note in the minutes for the approval of the Bush/Waite underground electrical permit. So noted.
- Note in the minutes that Fred Stone has been approved for mowing. So noted.
- Review the dog complaint submitted by Dave Ricard. The complaint states that the Animal Control officer quarantined the animal. The board will check with Dave Ricard to see if he thinks a hearing is necessary. Sue asked if Dave told the people to keep the dog hitched. Sue will call Dave and invite him to the next meeting to discuss the steps to be taken.
- Address, review and sign necessary documents for Peter Pochop.
- Deb would like approval to mount two flag pole brackets to the building so that we may display the American and Vermont state flags during operating hours. Deck will get the brackets. Sue asked Judith Ehrlich at the Vermont Division for Historic Preservation for approval, and it was granted. The board unanimously agreed to have the flags.
- Letter regarding the State Appraisers decision of the Larson Tax Appeal from John Thrasher. Mike read the letter, which stated that the State Appraiser upheld the BCA's decision.
- Please address the packet from Susan Schreiber regarding adoption of the Hazard Mitigation Plan. Mike read the letter. *Motion by Deck, seconded by Joe to adopt the Hazard Mitigation Plan, so voted.*
- Letter from Judy Coolidge regarding Scenic Byway meetings: she requests that the meetings be held after business hours so it is not as distracting. The board discussed Judy's letter, and no action was taken.
- Letter from Nature Conservancy regarding purchase of property i/n/o Aldo and Karen Morelli. This transaction has already taken place.
- Thank you for removing the old refrigerator.

Letter from Kevin P. Barrett re: dust control ad.

Unfinished business

Deck stated that he is in the process of doing benefit costs on the FEMA grant

Joe hasn't gotten a response from Schindler about a drill, so he will proceed without them. Both departments will tour the town hall and the library buildings.

New Business

Danby Mountain Road: New signs will be put up.

Fred Stone noticed an old fuel tank among the junk culverts and offered \$30 for it. The board approved selling the tank to Fred for \$30.

The crushing is proceeding well.

Keith is happy with the truck repair, and there is a three year warranty.

The town needs to send Michael Smith the check for the final portion of his invoice in order to be reimbursed by the state.

Keith will cold patch the potholes on School Street.

Any other business

Select board members noted that several homes and businesses in the area have been broken into recently.

8:36 pm *Motion to adjourn by Deck. So voted.*

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Folger, clerk