

Draft Minutes
SELECTBOARD, TOWN OF PAWLET
March 28, 2017
7:00 pm at Pawlet Town Hall
REGULAR MEETING

Members in Attendance:

Mike Beecher
Ed Cleveland
John Malcolm
Bob Jones

Others in Attendance:

Timothy Hughes-Muse
Barry Meinerth
Elizabeth Gibson
Nancy Morlino
Eric Mach
Keith Mason
Frank Nelson

EVENT

1. Call to order at 7:12 pm
2. Addition or Deletion of Agenda Items – no changes
3. Introduction of those present by chairperson
4. Approval of minutes from previous meeting
 - a. Motion to accept the Minutes of March 16th, 2017
Result: Approved [Unanimous]
Mover: Mr. Jones
Secunder: Mr. Malcolm
5. Barry Meinerth regarding the Pawlett Historical Society and Town Hall
 - a. The PHS proposes to affix a roadside historical sign to the Pawlet Town Hall. Mr. Meinerth presented the following text to the board for the proposed sign:
Third Century of Service
The Pawlet Town Hall, listed on the National Register of Historic Places, is an 1881 High Victorian Italianate style structure. It was built in cooperation with Macellus Wheeler, a local merchant, to function as the seat of town government as well as commercial space. It has continuously served Pawlet's town government and as the Civic Center of Pawlet, as well as having provided space over the years for a store, tin shop, school, post office, apartment and library. Prominent features include a cupola and a porch that almost encircles the entire building.

Today the first floor houses the offices of the Town Clerk, Treasurer, Listers, and Zoning. The second floor serves as a meeting space.

Pawlet Town Hall continues to preserve and enhance its position as the center of town government and village life. This cultural resource is an important part of the heritage of Vermont and the nation.

Motion to approve the Language and the attachment of the placard to the Town Hall building.

Result: Approved [unanimous]

Mover: Mr. Malcolm

Second: Mr. Jones

Discussion: Grammatical changes. Mr. Mach stated that the sign requires a zoning permit and that he will take care of the paperwork.

6. Appearances by local citizens and visitors
7. Announcements- no announcements
8. Reports
 - a. Energy Group Report- presented more details on the presenters for the Earth Day Energy Fair on April 22, 2017 and the schedule of events. More information is available at the town's website: <http://pawlet.vt.gov/town-offices/energy-group/>
 - b. Zoning Administrator's Report- Mr. Mach reporting for the Pawlet Planning Commission. The PPC is planning on getting a speaker from the AOT to discuss the issues surrounding transportation, pedestrian accessibility, and storm water management in the Pawlet and West Pawlet Village.
 - c. Road Foreman's Report
 - i. Motion to certify the Annual Financial Plan (Form TA-60) for Vtrans
Result: Approved [unanimous]
Mover: Mr. Cleveland
Second: Mr. Malcolm
 - ii. Mr. Mason presented information about the benefits to the Mack transmission over the Allison transmission in the Mack truck that is on order for the town. This will be the first year that these transmissions are available in the type of truck that the town has ordered. The consensus of the board is that if the transmission is the same cost, then Mr. Mason should change the order to the Volvo (Mack) transmission.
 - iii. Mr. Mason reported on the road conditions across town.
 - iv. Mr. Beecher asked Mr. Mason to request bids from stone crushing contractors for a bid for crushing 5000 yards of crushed slate at the town's slag pile.
 - d. Town Clerk's Memo
 - i. Signed multiple Uniform Municipal Excess Weight Permit.
 - ii. Reviewed 'Effective tax appeal workshop' flyer from Karen Folger.
 - e. Emergency Management Director's Report- No Report except on first meeting of the month.
 - f. Health Officer's Report- No report except on the first meeting of the month.
 - g. Town Treasurer's Memo

