

Minutes for Town of Pawlet Selectboard  
Pawlet Town Hall  
July 5, 2016

Members in Attendance:

Mike Beecher  
Sarah Ludlam  
Chuck Weeden  
Ed Cleveland

Others in Attendance:

Timothy Hughes-Muse  
Keith Mason  
Eric Mach  
Sue LaPorte  
Emily Cutts  
Korrine Rodrigue  
Martin Kravitt

**Item 1:** Meeting Called to order at 7:03 pm by Ms. Ludlam.

**Item 2:** Introduction of those present.

**Item 3:** Review minutes of the June 21, 2016 meeting of the Selectboard. Mr. Weeden made motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Mr. Cleveland, motion carried, voted and approved. The meeting was handed over to Mr. Beecher.

**Item 4:** Appearances by Local Citizens and Visitors

Ms. LaPorte spoke on behalf of Elizabeth Gibson, notifying the board that the Preservation Trust Retreat has been rescheduled until July 18 and 19<sup>th</sup>.

**Item 5:** Announcements

Special Meeting of the Selectboard July 6 at 10:30pm to be held at the Waste Water Treatment Facility

The selectboard will discuss Act No. 130 regarding the Public Service Board at the July 19<sup>th</sup> Meeting.

**Item 6:** Reports

1. Energy Group Report-

- a. Ms. Morlino asked if the selectboard had a chance to look at the landfill site. Ms. Ludlam had a chance to look at it and read through the easement carefully. Mr. Mach said that it is an ideal site because it is in the industrial zone.
- b. The board reviewed a letter regarding the draft agreement from the town's attorney.

2. Road Foreman's Report-

- a. Tadmer Rd Culvert replacement has been postponed because there has been a delay in the production of the culvert.

- b. The town of Rupert has asked for help hauling slate this summer.
  - c. The board and Mr. Mason discussed how the work on Cemetery Hill Rd was designed.
  - d. Mr. Weeden discussed roadside mowing, specifically cutting brush. Mr. Weeden will look into finding a contractor who can mow brush.
  - e. Mr. Kravitt asked the board about the scheduling of work on Rupert Mountain Road, a concern that Mr. Kravitt brought to their attention in January. Mr. Kravitt expressed displeasure at not being notified of the meeting that was held with Todd Eaton of Better Roads. The board explained that short-term measures have been implemented but a long-term and costly approach is necessary which could not be undertaken this work season.
3. Zoning Administrator's Report
- a. Mr. Mach has issued three permits in the recent weeks.
  - b. The Planning commission is continuing work on unified bylaws
  - c. The planning commission is wanting to spur growth in West Pawlet. One idea is to invite Syrian Refugees to occupy the vacant buildings.
  - d. Ms. Ludlam is interested in rehabilitating the sidewalks in Pawlet and West Pawlet Village.
  - e. Mr. Kravitt mentioned that he believes that the major need is in business and industry.
4. *Town Clerk's Memo*
- a. *Reviewed the Town Clerk's Memo*
5. *Town Treasurer's Memo*
- a. Reviewed the Town Treasurer's Memo.
  - b. Mr. Weeden made the motion to approve the warrants, seconded by Mr. Cleveland, motion carried, voted and approved.
6. *Selectboard Administrative Assistant's Memo*
- a. Reviewed Assistant's Memo
7. WWTF
- a. The consensus of the board is to approve the purchase of pumps and chemical treatment system.
  - b. The board discussed the schedule of events for the special selectboard meeting on July 6<sup>th</sup>.

**Item 7:** Visit from Korrine Rodrigue, candidate for Rutland County Senate

Ms. Rodrigue spoke for a few minutes regarding her platform and reasons for running for office.

**Item 8: Old Business**

CAI Technologies Tax Map Maintenance Contract- Ms. Ludlam recommends that the board approve the contract for \$1,575, after the Town of Pawlet Listers review it.

**Item 9: New Business**

No new business.

Ms. Ludlam made a motion to adjourn at 8:53 pm, Mr.Cleveland seconded, motion carried, voted and approved.

Respectfully submitted by Timothy Hughes-Muse, Select Board Administrative Assistant.