

**SELECTBOARD MEETING**  
**Tuesday, July 18, 2017 at 6:00 PM**

Those in attendance: Ted Domey, Mike Hogan, Jack Daniels, Bernie Shatney, Fred Ducharme, Karen Deasy, Richard Aronson, Linda Savoca, Larry Gochey, Don Mitchell, Irving Robbins, Michelle Leclerc, and Betty Ritter

1. The meeting was called to order by Ted at 6:00 p.m.
2. Approve Agenda –A motion was made by Mike and seconded by Jack to approve agenda. Ted asked if anyone would like to add anything to the agenda. Fred would like to add Durant Cemetery and dog in the Willey Building under Other Business. Jack would like to add Ambulance service. Motion passed to approve the agenda with the additions.
3. A motion was made by Fred and seconded by Mike to accept the minutes as printed. Motion passed.
4. Public Comment – Linda Savoca was at the meeting to discuss the compromised bank by her house. Water is still going in her garage and her den from the road being fixed last year. Karen thought it was the down spout. The spout is down by the drainage. Linda doesn't think there is anything she can do and would like the town to take a look at it. The engineer, Doug Newton, came and they made the corrections. Jack would like to have Doug Newton come back or another engineer. Ted would like to have a catch basin put in. Larry Gochey and Don Mitchell made a few suggestions, also. When the new water lines are put in, they will be able to lower the road, but an interim solution must be found perhaps by grading the road to slope it.
5. Proposed Rental Codes – Mike handed out a few pages on Rental codes that he did research and found the Town of St. Johnsbury's version could be closely. They just updated their ordinance on rental codes and it is fully backed up by Vermont Statutes. Mike will put it in a form for Cabot and send it around.
6. Dog Ordinance – Ted has reviewed multiple sections on the Dog Ordinance and passed out his suggestions and would like for the Selectboard to review. We will discuss at next meeting.
7. Review of Budget - The Budget was passed out for General Fund and Highway Fund through June 30, 2017. Jack suggested that we have a comparison of actual vs. budget. This will be emailed to Selectboard on Wednesday. We will begin working on the interim budget and have it ready for an informational meeting in November.
8. Water/Wastewater – We have received the signed contract from Aldrich and Elliott. They would like to have a meeting with the board on August 1 or August 15<sup>th</sup>.
9. Road Commissioner
  - a. Project Update – The Danville Hill Road is now closed and should be done by August 1<sup>st</sup>.
  - b. Emergency Management has called Karen regarding Sawmill Road Dam.

- c. Aldo is going to Houghton Road to look at the culvert. Aldo would to know what the policy is for driveways and the replacement of culverts. We will work on a policy for culverts.
  - d. Old Garage Update – The site is finished and looks much larger and nicer. All the paperwork will be done and there needs to be a hearing to close the grant. The public hearing will be on August 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:45 p.m.
  - e. Recreation Policy Signatures – Done except for Jack who needs to read the policy.
10. A motion was made by Fred to recess the meeting in order to do the Meeting on The Town Plan. This was seconded by Mike. Motion passed. It was recessed at 6:59 p.m.
11. The meeting was then reconvened at 7:20 P.M. with a motion by Fred and seconded by Mike.
12. Town Clerk's Office
  - a. Orders - Done
  - b. Administrative – Dog Hearing Wednesday, July 26 at 6 pm.
  - c. Jack said the 2016 Audit has been discussed with Linda McClay regarding the Budgets. The 2016 will be mailed to us by Friday.
13. Other Business
  - a. Durant Cemetery – Fred said there's a couple pine trees that are very bad. Those trees need to come down before they take down the power lines. Michelle stated that she gave two numbers to Melvin for cutting the trees down. Fred will discuss this with Melvin.
  - b. Dog in the Willey Building – Fred feels that the dog in the Library can become a liability to the Town. He believes that if it is not a service or therapy dog we should not allow them to be in the building. We will work tis into the Dog Ordinance. Ted will talk with Kathleen about this.
  - c. Cabot Ambulance – We do need to follow up on this and Jack would like to get the Cabot Ambulance volunteers together to discuss this.
  - d. Public Town Watch – this is still in process. In order to make law enforcement more noticeable in Cabot, we will need to appropriate funds for this additional service.
  - e. Betty advised that Bobby Searles has received his liquor license and will open on Wednesday.
  - f. There is a school survey and would recommend that all fill this out.
  - g. Betty wanted to remind the Selectboard there will a dog hearing on Wednesday, July 26, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.
14. A motion to adjourn was made by Fred, seconded by Bernie. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45.

Respectfully submitted,

Betty Ritter, Town Clerk/Treasurer