

Minutes
West Rutland Select Board Meeting
June 22, 2015

Present: Sean Barrows, John Harvey, Chet Brown, Pete Bianchi, Mary Ann Goulette, Mike Moser, Gary Kupferer, Mark Youngstrom and Ed Savage.

Call to Order: Sean Barrows, board chair, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda: The agenda was approved on a motion by Chet and a second by Peter. Unanimously approved.

Minutes: Chet made a motion to approve the minutes of 6/8/15 with the following change: Leave out last sentence on page 2 which referred to a committee being formed. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Concerns: Mike Moser shared that at a DRB meeting a discussion on solar panels revealed that the panels are not allowed for commercial use. Private home owners can install the panels and wind devices. DRB follows zoning regulations. If sold to individuals, they are still commercial as the individual does not own the land. Mike suggested the board may want to look at revising this part of the Town Plan. John feels we should revise wait for a final revision. Boardman Hill farm is operating panels but the town approved it previously. It was decided that the board will deal with it once the town plan is opened.

Speeding: Received a complaint on excessive speeding on Dewey Avenue. Mary Ann did ask the sheriff's department to increase patrol near Clark Hill. She will give an update with the number of tickets at the next meeting. May also need to restripe Dewey Avenue.

Action Items – Acceptance of Safe Route to School Report – The Selectboard needs to officially accept the report that we have. We are applying for a Bike/Ped grant based on their recommendations. John made the motion and Chet seconded to accept the Safe Route to School report. Unanimously approved.

Discussion Items: Green Mountain Power Easement. Reviewed map. Poles need to be replaced at school and church property. GMP met with Frank and they want to build an access road entering behind the garage and running diagonally up the hill. They cannot gain access from the state highway. Peter

made a motion and Chet seconded to give preliminary approval for easement right of way for access to the power line. Unanimously approved.

Town Manager Report The one-ton was damaged in the yard at Fairfields. The corner post was damaged. It was repaired and delivered. Now the paint coating is flaking off. Fairfield will take it back and fix it.

School is putting in soccer score board and will run electricity from the town garage.

Blood drive tomorrow.

Sean wants a copy of the road condition inventory when it is completed.

Board Member Concerns:

Pete: How are we doing on the blacktop? No answers yet. Pleasant Heights, Highland, Boardman, Clark, and Proctor Street are on the schedule to be paved.

John: Christmas tree – new offer for a tree.

Pay orders signed.

Executive Session Contract negotiations: Motion by John and second by Chet to enter executive session at 6:45 p.m. for contract negotiations. Unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Chet and seconded by John to exit executive session at 7:35. No action taken.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 7:37 on a motion by Chet and a second by Peter.

Respectfully submitted,
Charleen Bowen
