

**West Rutland Select Board Minutes
September 28, 2015**

Present: John Harvey, Sean Barrows, Pete Bianchi, Mitch Frankenburg, Mary Ann Goulette,

Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m. by Sean Barrows. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Mitch and a second by Peter to approve the agenda as presented. Unanimously approved.

Approval of Minutes: John made a motion to approve the minutes of 9/14/15 as written and Peter seconded. Unanimously approved.

Public Concerns: None

Action Items: VTrans Bike and Ped Grant: The town applied and was notified they received the full grant amount of \$820,000. The grant is to install sidewalks on Thrall, Campbell, Clarendon, Recreation Area and Ross Street. The town has to come up with \$82,000 as their match and sign the commitment form. Mary Ann shared that the town may be able to use the paving article of \$65,000. Motion by Mitch to commit to the grant and sign the project commitment form and John seconded.

Municipal Planning Grant Resolution: The grant is for \$8,000 and the town will apply for a master plan of the village center and evaluate redevelopment opportunities and develop a cohesive plan through the village. John made a motion to authorize Mary Ann to sign the resolution. Pete seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

VCDP Grant Agreement Resolution – Neighborhood Works - This grant was received a few months ago through Neighbor Works for \$850,000. Motion to sign the VCDP grant agreement for Neighborhood Work Resolution by John and seconded by Mitch. Motion passed unanimously.

Town Manager's Report: Water and Sewer ground breaking event went well. They have started boring under the pavement to connect to the south side. They are awaiting the arrival of the water pipe. It is difficult working around the old phone line.

Whipple Hollow Bridge – Mark scheduled the borings. Mary Ann plans to have everything ready for a grant application in the spring.

Sheldon Avenue getting complaints about it being hard on the trucks. \$300,000 put aside for next year.

Board Member Concerns:

Pete: Boardman Hill? – was paved on Saturday. Woodward, the sewer plant and a piece on Clarendon are still left to pave.

Pete: Denison have a burning permit? Is no longer burning. Jane looking to it. Orr requested a permit for a double wide home.

Mitch: Recreation area has a lot of dog waste. Need a sign about cleaning up after your dog. There was discussion about a dog park.

John: Roadside mowing looks great.

Sean: He has heard compliments on the water and sewer project.

Sean shared he attended a presentation by the Transportation Advisory Council who deals with towns and roads; specifically maintaining road surfaces. The town will need a general permit for the gravel roads. The town needs to do an inventory of all roads and do an assessment and keep them well graded. They should be ready by the end of this year and permits come out in 2016 along with fee schedule.

Orders approved.

Executive session: Pete made a motion to enter executive session for a real estate discussion at 6:42 p.m. Mitch seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

The board came out of executive session at 7:50. Motion by John seconded by Mitch. No action taken.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 7:52. Motion by John seconded by Mitch.

Respectfully submitted,
Charleen Bowen