

**West Rutland Select Board
Minutes
January 22, 2018**

Present: Mitch Frankenberg, Sean Barrows, John Harvey, Nick Notte, Mary Ann Goulette,

Others Present: Joe Skaza.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:03 by Sean Barrows with the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda: John made a motion to approve the agenda. Mitch seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes: Mitch made a motion to accept the January 8, 2018 minutes. Nick seconded. Unanimously approved.

Public Concerns: Joe Skaza announced the Fire Department election of officers: Joe Skaza – Chief, Michael Skaza – 1st Assistant Chief; Tom Lacz – 2nd Assistant Chief; Lori Lyons – Clerk. Joe announced this will be his last term as chief. John made the motion to accept the slate of officers as presented, seconded by Mitch. Unanimously approved.

Action Items:

- a. **Sign Reappraisal Contract – Sansoucy** – The board agreed at the previous meeting to award the utility reappraisal to Sansoucy for \$27,000. Mitch made the motion for the Town Manager to sign the agreement. Seconded by John. Unanimously approved.
- b. **Sign Reappraisal Contract - Vision Government Solutions** – Vision has agreed with the changes the Selectboard proposed at the previous meeting. They will include photos in their original quote, they will exclude exempt and utility parcels. We will delete the bond requirement for a deduction of \$2,500. The new contract price is \$87,100. Motion made by John seconded by Mitch to sign the Vision reappraisal contract of \$87,100 and the Vision Cama software agreement. Motion passed unanimously.
- c. **Certificate of Highway Mileage** – No changes to the certificate of highway mileage year ending February 10, 2018. John asked if the scenic byway should be noted. Mary Ann will send a copy of the map with the certificate. Motion made by John seconded by Nick to sign the certificate of highway mileage with no changes. Motion passed unanimously.
- d. **Review and Approve General Budget** – Discussion on the redevelopment fund and bridge savings. \$10K to redevelopment fund because we will be selling two tax sale properties. Allocate \$40K to bridge account for Whipple Hollow. Discussion on listers salary increase. The listers salary were increased substantially last year. It was suggested they receive the 2.2% cost of living. Motion by Mitch seconded by Nick to approve the general budget at \$1,349,327 which is a 1.07% increase. Motion passed unanimously.
- e. **Review and Sign Warning** – all articles remain the same. The redevelopment fund is already established and will move to a budget line item. Motion by John seconded by Mitch to sign the warning as presented. Motion approved.

Discussion Items:

Town Manager Report:

We have about 400 tons of salt remaining for this year. Discussion on how to use less. Salt only on the last pass after plowing.

We will be participating in Rutland's Winterfest with snow sculptures on our Town Green.

Thank you to Carpenter and Costin for providing the snow blocks.

This week we have a recreation committee meeting and a meeting in Pittsford to discuss a permit to purchase fireworks.

Board Member Concerns:

Nick - none

Mitch – Is there an easement or trail across the street on Clarendon Avenue? There is an old trolley line that some ATV riders use.

Sean – We should try to consolidate our HHW dates with Ira and find a more visible location.

Mary Ann will check with Jim.

Approve Orders – the board approved the pay orders.

Executive Session: None

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m. on a motion by Nick and a second by Mitch. Unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Ann Goulette