

**SELECT BOARD
MINUTES WELLS TOWN
OFFICE**

January 24th, 2017

PRESENT: Select Board: Tim Makepeace, Paul Woodruff Jr., Tammy Holcomb

Also: Cherry Hopson, Kevin Moffit, Eleanor Jones, Dave Ricard

- 1 Meeting was called to order by Chairman, Tim Makepeace at 7:00 PM.
- 2 Minutes of the meeting on January 10th regular meeting and January 20th special meeting were read and approved.
- 3 Bills were studied and discussed and orders were signed.
- 4 The highway mileage certificate has been approved. The mileage is 41.379%.
- 5 Pawlet has returned the paperwork for the lease on the sander. More information on insurance is needed, and the check has not been received.
- 6 Board received a copy of the policy for property and casualty and workers comp insurance.
- 7 Newport Sand and Gravel Co and Carroll Concrete requested an overweight permit. Board approved and signed the permit.
- 8 VLCT will have a special membership meeting on February 15th at 1:30 PM.
- 9 There will be a rabies clinic on March 4th at 2:30 PM to 3:30 PM at the firehouse.
- 10 The March 7th Selectboard meeting will be rescheduled because of Town Meeting.
- 11 Board will seek information on options to make the transfer station more efficient.
- 12 Tammy has been getting quotes on new computers. The Comcast contract will come up for renewal in April. Tammy made a motion to order laptops- one for the highway department and for the listers pending confirmation that the listers still want one, at costs not to exceed \$1000.00 each. 2nd by Tim, passed unanimously.
- 13 Guardrails will be put on Tadmer Road by June 1, 2017.
- 14 Felix Reed mentioned to Tim that the town may want to give TH 16 to the property owner because it might be financially beneficial to the town. The road is 0.08 miles. Board chose not to pursue the issue at this time.
- 15 Allen Gambozi sent a letter regarding the Ballard Farm Road. He is selling property there for Gary Jones and he wondered about road maintenance. The Class 3 road is not being plowed but the town could start plowing and maintaining it if property owners wished.

- 16 Steve Coffee from Clayton Tract has mentioned runoff problems on his road. Dave Ricard will look into the matter.
- 17 Board discussed tree and brush removal in the cemeteries. Wanda Crossman has expressed interest in mowing and maintaining the East Wells Cemetery. The Highway crew will take care of the fallen trees and branches that are piled at the cemetery right now in the spring.
- 18 Jesse Larson has looked at the town property on Geer Road for an appraisal.
- 19 Dave Ricard said he did not believe tarps would be beneficial to cover town equipment due to moisture.
- 20 Salt storage was discussed.
- 21 The role of the Town in issues pertaining to the library was discussed. Board authorized Tim to go through the library with Dan Jones to be sure there are no wiring problems or fire hazards.
- 22 Judy Dreher has rescinded her letter of resignation as a library trustee and will remain in her position.
- 23 Joel Pliner has asked the State to reconsider using the town property as an access area. The property in question is at the Lakeside Park where there is recreational access.
- 24 Dean Russell will be paid for his work on the tax maps but some issues still need to be addressed. The listers will be invited to the next meeting to discuss these issues.
- 25 Kevin Moffit expressed concern that one lister might be using town time to explore property acquisition and grants not dealing with lister duties.
- 26 The hearing on the Town Plan will be held on February 3rd at 7:00 PM at the school.
- 27 Tammy made a motion to adjourn at 8:45 PM. 2nd by Paul, passed unanimously.

Tim Makepeace

Paul Woodruff Jr.

Tammy Holcomb

