

**SELECT BOARD
MINUTES WELLS TOWN
OFFICE**

May 30th, 2017

PRESENT: Select Board: Paul Woodruff Jr., Tammy Holcomb, Ron Bremer
Also: Cherry Hopson, Carole Duquette, Felix Reed, Edgar Corey, Erin
Thompson, Dave Ricard, Cathy Walker

- 1 Meeting was called to order by Chairmain, Paul Woodruff Jr. at 7:00PM.
- 2 Minutes were read and approved.
- 3 Bills were studied and discussed and orders were signed.
- 4 Erin Thompson asked about road work on Sawmill Hill. She expressed concern about potholes which she said caused damage to her car. Ron said the weather had prevented grading in Wells and other towns but it will be done when conditions permit. Tammy stated that we have advised people to drive slow on the bank roads until roads are fixed.
- 5 Felix Reed expressed concern about vandalism at Lakeside Park. Tammy said it was hard to deal with that sort of problem. Felix mentioned ordinances, cameras, gates and more patrolling. Ron said these issues occur in many other places. Tammy said Gary Stomski does patrol there regularly.
- 6 Cathy Walker brought copies of letters of support for the Delaney Committee. Tammy made a motion for Ron to sign the letter of support on behalf of the select board. 2nd by Paul. Passed unanimously.
7. An emergency meeting of the Planning Commission was called to order by Chairman Carole Duquette at 7:10 PM for the purpose of approving the letter. Cherry made a motion to authorize Carole Duquette to sign the letter of support on behalf of the Planning Commission. 2nd by Felix. Passed unanimously. Edgar made a motion to adjourn the emergency Planning Commission meeting at 7:25 PM. 2nd by Felix, passed unanimously.
8. Dave Ricard discussed the pothole issues and how the road crew is dealing with them.
9. Mark Brace sent a letter commending Brian Bishop for his work mowing town properties. Board agreed that he is doing a fine job.
10. Board discussed a new truck. Dave is getting information on trucks. After July 1 there will be \$100,000 in the Vehicle Replacement Fund. Dave said three of the current trucks could be sold because the new truck would replace them and this would make room for the new one.
11. A decision regarding the lawn mower will be made at a future time.

12. Rutland County Solid Waste District sent a packet of information. Ron will talk to Nora about composting.
13. Ron made a motion to appoint Todd Fenton as forest fire warden and Don Preuss as assistant forest fire warden, assuming they will consent. 2nd by Tammy, passed unanimously.
14. VT Department of Health sent a letter stating that the select board chair is the town health officer.
15. The metal bin at the transfer station was picked up by Ace. The bin is not in good condition. Another bin might be used instead and that one needs only minor repairs. Dave will speak to Josh Brown about the repairs.
16. The garden at the Lakeside Park is in need of slate chips. The Modern Woodmen has offered to volunteer to do the fall cleanup. For the spring clean up, Tammy will get a quote on the slate chips. A tree in memory of Rich Strange was also vandalized at the park.
17. Dave would like to attend a class on asphalt. There is also a class in Poultney on June 13th that they would like to use the Wells tractor as a demonstration. Board approved the use of the tractor. The board also approved Dave's attendance at a class on asphalt. Motion by Tammy. 2nd by Ron. Passed unanimously.
18. Paul made a motion to adjourn at 8:17 PM. 2nd by Tammy. Passed unanimously.

Paul Woodruff Jr.

Tammy Holcomb

Ron Bremer