

**SELECT
BOARDMINUTES
WELLSTOWNOFFICE
October 4th,2016**

PRESENT: Select Board: Tim Makepeace, Paul Woodruff Jr., Tammy Holcomb
Also: Cherry Hopson, Leon Corey, Dave Ricard, Kevin Moffit, Stanley Martelle Jr., Tom Witherbee, Winnie Witherbee, Ron Dreher, Charles Holcomb, Susan Holcomb, Amber Holcomb, Jim Schubert

1. Meeting was called to order by Chairman Tim Makepeace at 7:00 PM
2. Minutes were read and approved.
3. Bills were studied and discussed and orders were signed.
4. Ron Dreher discussed tax mapping. He would like to create a tax map with thirteen neighborhoods, which he believes could facilitate statistical reappraisals in the future, which would be cheaper than complete reappraisals. He said the Vt Dept. of Taxes has given their approval. The cost of the new map would be \$1100, and he submitted a purchase order. Tim said he wanted more time to consider the issue. Paul agreed.
5. Leon Corey said he will try to do this project on the West Lake Road without touching the road but he would still like permission to dig if it turns out to be necessary. He hopes to do it by drilling under the road. Board said Dave Ricard would oversee the project and decide if digging would be necessary.
6. Jim Schubert spoke about boiler cleaning. Tammy asked for a quote. Jim stated approximately \$150. Tim said Jim could clean the ones at the town office and library and Rich Baker would do the one at the town garage.
7. Board opened sand bids. Charles Holcomb's bid was \$5.25 per yard loaded and \$9.50 per yard delivered. Stanley Martelle Jr's bid was \$8.00 per yard in the pit and \$9.00 per yard delivered. There was discussion of the quality of sand. Charles Holcomb said no one has ever complained about his sand and if there was a problem he would make it right. Dave Ricard expressed some concerns. Tim said Dave would have to approve the product and he should reject anything that doesn't meet his standards. Dave said he doesn't want silt from the ditches. Board felt that the difference in price was a major factor. Paul made a motion to get sand from Charles Holcomb and have the road crew pick it up, provided it meets Dave's standards. 2nd by Tim. Passed unanimously.
8. Board received an ad for speed limit signs. It will be given to Gary Stomski.
9. The Rutland Regional Transportation Council would like a representative from Wells. Board agreed to name Tammy as representative and Tim as an alternate.
10. Tammy reported on financial statements. Budget work is being planned. There was

discussion of a computer and printer for the road crew.

11. Property insurance renewal is due. Tammy discussed the value of the office, inventory and various issues involving the policy, including vehicles for road maintenance. Board gave her permission to sign insurance papers if necessary.
12. Tammy asked if Ryan Decelle should be paid to do the Town Report as an independent contractor or if she should be on the payroll. Tammy does not believe she should be on the payroll. She would like to wait and get more information. She believes there is risk hiring her to work out of her own home. Tim said she should be hired as a subcontractor. Tammy made a motion to pay Ryan Decelle as an independent contractor and obtain a W-9 form so that a 1099 form can be issued at years' end and terminate her out of the payroll system. 2nd by Tim, passed unanimously.
13. Work is done on the highway grants. There are two forms for the board to fill out.
14. The tree by Walker's has been taken down. Tim would like to authorize Dave to take ownership if a tree needs to be removed since it comes out of his budget. The property owners would be notified. Paul had no problem with that.
15. The alarm system at the town office is now on.
16. Fire extinguishers will be inspected tomorrow.
17. Perry Thomas from the state would like to have another meeting regarding the lake and the town groups applying for permits. The meeting would be October 14th, from 1:00 PM to 2:30 PM. The agenda would be Aquatic Nuisance Control and it would deal with the two groups and their offering approaches. Tammy thought the selectboard should schedule the meeting, and a meeting during the works hours is not convenient. Board said an evening meeting should be suggested so more people can attend. Tammy suggested October 17th, 24th, 21st or 28th.
18. Tim made a motion to adjourn at 9:33 PM. 2nd by Tammy. Passed unanimously.

Tim Makepeace

Paul Woodruff Jr.

Tammy Holcomb

