

**SELECT BOARD MINUTES**  
**WELLS TOWN OFFICE**  
**January 28, 2025**

PRESENT: Select Board: Don Preuss, Paul Woodruff Jr., Tammy Holcomb  
Also: Sherry Newton, Fran Gilman, Laurel Gilman, Duane Dunbar, Walton Anderson, William Carris, Norman Cohen, Robert Harnish, David Zuckerman

1. Meeting was called to order by Select Board Chair Don Preuss at 7:00 P.M.
2. Minutes were read and approved.
3. Bills were studied and discussed and orders were signed.
4. Don commented that the town of Wells is part of a unified Rutland County share the works program with neighboring towns.
5. Norman Cohen and Robert Harnish from the Vermont Inclusion Initiative spoke about the Vermont Inclusion program and what it entails. There was a question & answer session that followed the discussion. The Select Board feels a questionnaire should be distributed to the town people before a motion to approve or disapprove the initiative is adopted.
6. Walton Anderson asked about the East Wells Road slide progress. Don has sent information to the engineer and the project is moving forward. The Select Board is hoping the project will go to bid in March or April.
7. Duane Dunbar asked if the transfer station could be turned over to a private entity. The Select Board said they have never been approached by anyone about being interested in taking over, but they are always open for discussion.
8. Don attended the Poultney Select Board meeting. Don thanked the Poultney board and road crew for their help when the Wells road crew was short.
9. The Select Board received a letter from Consolidated about pricing information. Tammy will follow up to see if any cost savings are available.
10. The Select Board received a letter about open meeting rules.
11. New training on ethics is coming up.
12. The Select Board has the information on the terms and people running for election on March 4<sup>th</sup>.
13. The Select Board has the timeline for the town plan.
14. Paul made a motion to approve an overweight permit for Newport Sand & Gravel Co., Inc./ Carroll Concrete Co., Inc. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tammy. Passed unanimously.
15. The new town truck is waiting for the box to come in to be installed.

16. Don had information on a coverall sand and salt shed.
17. Don has gotten together with the VLCT insurance representative and gone over all the details of coverage and pricing.
18. New transfer station stickers for the 25/26 season will be ordered.
19. Tammy asked about doing a rabies clinic to help encourage people to register their dogs. Tammy will talk to Todd Fenton about the fire department being involved.
20. Paul made a motion to adjourn at 8:16 P.M. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tammy. Passed unanimously.

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Don Preuss

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Paul Woodruff Jr.

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Tammy Holcomb