

**Approved Minutes
West Fairlee Selectboard Meeting
Monday February 1, 2016**

Present: Bev Ash, Fred Cook, Delsie Hoyt, Steve Malinoski, Al Pfeiffer

Visitors: Sheila Bedi (Creative Spirit), Bonnie Cray (Historical Society), Jim McDade (Historical Society)

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

Bev moved to approve the minutes of the January 18, 2016 Regular Meeting and the January 25, 2016 Special Meeting as presented; Steve seconded; passed.

Visitors/ Hear and act on reports of Town Officers and Committees

- Update Tri-Town Lake Fairlee Dam Committee - There hasn't been a meeting, but Steve asked the question about VLCT treating the Commission as a separate entity, and apparently - for the writing of insurance policies, at least - it is.
- Temperature extremes in Community Building - This has been a problem since the building was insulated. Perry's has ordered the part that's needed, but it hasn't come in yet, and this is a priority.

Review Treasurer's Financial Statements/Journal Entries

- The January financial statements were reviewed briefly; Town Treasurer Joe MacPherson will attend the next meeting to answer any questions.

Roads

- VTrans regional repaving priorities - Except for finishing Route 113, nothing in our area seems to be high priority in terms of State roads.

Public Safety/Ordinance Enforcement –

- Bill Bohnyak visit - Bev is scheduling.
- Dogs – Discussion re: the agreement with Central Vermont Humane Society; Hoyt noted the town is only charged if an animal is sheltered. Upper Valley Humane Society in Lebanon is now also willing to shelter strays providing a second option. Steve moved to go ahead with the stray animal holding agreement with Central Vermont Humane Society; Bev seconded; passed.
- Dog Registration - The Town Clerk has already sent out reminders to register dogs, and Delsie will post it on the listserv as well.

Old Business

- Review Town Report proof - The proofs look fine, and it will be delivered to the printer in the morning. Steve will pick up the booklets from the printer; Staci has been asked to produce labels.

New Business

- Selectboard timesheets - Timesheets for the past year were filled out and turned in to the Treasurer.
- Processing overweight truck permits – Bev volunteered to handle them. Those filed to date were approved and returned.
- Brandi wants to put up signage for her fitness classes – What she wants is half-size A-boards out by the road during her classes, and those should be fine. Bev will contact her about her signage.
- Illegal landfill – Fred received a complaint about an illegal landfill in a wetland 75' from Lake Fairlee on Route 244; this is a potential environmental hazard that needs to be dealt with.

Other Business/Agenda Items (to be acted on at next regular meeting)

- Expansion of Brushwood Forest Special Treatment Area - A proposal from the Conservation Commission to rename, broaden, and extend the Special Treatment Zone in Brushwood Forest (circulated by mail) was noted. The land leading down to the wetlands is steep and wet; making roads and the property line borders will make it easier for people to know where those boundaries are. The proposal will need Selectboard approval, and then approval of the State which holds the conservation easement on the property.

Bev moved to sign the orders; Fred seconded; passed.

Review Correspondence –

- Greater Upper Valley Waste wants to schedule special collection events such that area towns coordinate.

Upcoming Events – Informational Meeting for the Budget on February 24th at 6:30 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:26 p.m.