

**Approved Minutes  
West Fairlee Selectboard Meeting  
Monday October 17, 2016**

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

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

Fred moved to approve the minutes of the October 3, 2016 Regular Meeting as printed; Bev seconded; passed.

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

- Update Tri-Town Lake Fairlee Dam Committee: Steve/Fred
  - Procedures for Kingsbury settlement - It was reported that West Fairlee's share of the settlement is just over \$17,000. The law firm of Primmer and Piper is representing the Tri-Town Commission (and the Towns) in this matter. The Town Treasurer has been consulted on how these funds should be drawn and accounted for. Steve moved to warn a Special Meeting Monday, October 24 at 5:00 p.m. for the purpose of meeting with the Treasurer discuss the financial implications of the settlement and the overage on the dam project; Al seconded; passed. Delsie will warn the special meeting.
  - Planning Commission update: Al - reported that the Planning Commission met Monday to make sure everyone was on the same page with the re-adoption of the Town Plan and the flood resilience chapter. Two Rivers will be sending maps to show the areas in flood plains, and the Commission is putting together handouts for the public meeting, which Al will run. The municipal planning grant has been submitted by Two Rivers; funds are extremely tight; notification should be in December or January. Delsie noted that the budget will have to reflect these expenses if grant funds are not awarded.

**Review Treasurer's Financial Statements/Journal Entries**

- Schedule for Development of 2017 Budget - Initial review of the budget has been started; next regular meeting personnel and general expenses will be discussed. The Selectboard will also talk with the Treasurer on the 24th about his involvement in the budget process.

**Roads**

- Renewal of highway contract - Following discussion, Steve moved to extend the term of contract with J&J Blake Excavating until 2020 with annual review as currently written; Al Seconded; passed.
- Update culvert inventory - Delsie will start taking walks to look at culverts, and stated that anyone else can help.
- 2017 paving/project plan - BlakTop will be patching on Middlebrook Road tomorrow; a preliminary estimate (for budgeting purposes, this does not supplant a full bidding process next spring) for possible paving projects on Blood Brook next year will be scheduled shortly.

**Public Safety/Ordinance Enforcement**

- Community policing options - Will be discussed at a later date.

**Old Business**

- Follow-up re: illegal dumping on Rt. 244 - The certified letter was returned; no one would sign for it. Further options were discussed including service by the Sheriff's Department.

**New Business**

- Damage to Village Park - The Sheriff requested that the Town file a complaint about the damage. If the vandal(s) are indentified, it is possible an insurance claim could be made.
- Delsie will be meeting with Thetford Selectboard Chair Stu Rogers tomorrow at 1pm to discuss and brainstorm on issues/programs of mutual concern.
- Approve/process overweight truck permits - Bev

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

**Upcoming Events -**

- Reminder - The ARC technician is scheduled for October 26th; a Selectboard member will have to give them access to the Library and Historical Society spaces to install new thermostats.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:53 p.m.