

**Approved Minutes
West Fairlee Selectboard Meeting
Monday November 16, 2015**

**Present: Bev Ash, Fred Cook, Delsie Hoyt, Steve Malinoski, Al Pfeiffer
Visitors: Bonnie Cray, Jim McDade, Sam Petrone, Rebecca Wurdak**

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

Steve moved to approve the minutes of the November 2, 2015 Regular Meeting as corrected; and the November 9, 2015 Special Meeting (joint meeting with Fairlee and Thetford Selectboards concerning the Lake Fairlee Dam project) Bev seconded; passed.

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

- Update Tri-Town Lake Fairlee Dam Commission – Discussion centered around recent developments on dam project from joint Selectboard and Tri-Town Commission meetings. Steve moved, based on the recommendation of the TriTown Commission at its November 12th meeting, that West Fairlee approve the \$8,800 (our 22% share of the \$40,000) to Kingsbury LLC for mobilization costs; Fred seconded; passed.

- Town Forest Award – Rebecca brought in the beautiful plaque the Conservation Commission accepted on behalf of West Fairlee for the Vermont Town Forest Centennial Award in recognition of dedication to and excellence in stewardship of Brushwood Community Forest. The Selectboard thanked the Conservation Commission for its central role in maintaining Brushwood and in the receipt of this award. The award will be hung in the Town Office.

- Vacancy on Tri-Town Commission – Skip Brown has moved and resigned; replacements were suggested and discussed.

- Flushing of Bean Hall drain – Bonnie Cray and Jim McDade presented the bill for investigating the drainage system in Bean Hall approved at the October 5, 2015 meeting, and to request permission to flush the drain, which the West Fairlee Fire Department would do for free. After discussion about precautions to be taken, Bev moved to allow the WFVFD to flush the drain in Bean Hall; Al seconded; passed.

Review Treasurer's Financial Statements/Journal Entries

- Continue formulation of 2016 Budget – There were no journal entries. Delsie plugged in budget numbers based on projections for year-end. The Selectboard proceeded line-by-line through Town Office and General Expenses. The contract with Orange County Sheriff's Department, highway budget, and contributions to capital funds will be worked on at the next meeting.

Roads

- Temporary Access Permit (logging) Jennings Road – Steve moved to approve temporary access to Knapp Logging for logging on Chip Otis's property; Fred seconded; passed.

- Discussion of traffic/maintenance Class IV King Hill Road – It has been suggested that we block off King Hill Road and not let anybody through. After extensive discussion about the ramifications of closing it off – both positive and negative – Bev moved to leave the Class IV King Hill Road open to the public and Delsie would follow up with a letter to the homeowner; Steve seconded; passed.

Public Safety/Ordinance Enforcement

- Changes to dog ordinance & policies – Deferred.

Old Business

- Community Building insulation – Will take place right after Thanksgiving, possibly into early December.
- Planning Commission membership – Sam Petrone accepted a position on the Planning Commission.
- Steve moved to appoint Bev as library trustee until March; Fred seconded; passed.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 7:23 p.m.