

MINUTES - SELECTMEN'S MEETING
TOWN OF BARNET, VT
MONDAY, JUNE 28, 2010

Meeting convened at 7:00 p.m. in the conference room of the Barnet Town Clerk's Office.

Board members present: Selectmen Theodore Faris, Jeremy Roberts, and Gary Bunnell.

Meeting Chair: Co-Chair Jeremy Roberts acting as Chair for this meeting.

Others present: Town Clerk Benjamin Heisholt, Road Foreman Timothy Gibbs, Tinalyn Caisse, Thomas Gould, and Shirley Warden.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Motion made by Faris to approve as presented the minutes of the regular meeting held June 14, 2010. Seconded by Bunnell and approved by voice vote.

APPEARANCE BY TINALYN CAISSE REGARDING RENTAL OF HARVEY'S LAKE BEACH PAVILION

Ms. Caisse appeared to request that the Board reconsider their June 14, 2010 decision to deny her party rental of the Harvey's Lake Beach pavilion. Ms. Caisse stated that the Board's decision was based in part on misinformation presented by Harvey's Lake Beach Committee member Robert Zita regarding her party's rental of the pavilion last year. Her party would like to use the pavilion this year on August 5 from 4:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. They plan to have a barbeque and play amplified music.

After brief discussion, the Board agreed to rescind their decision of the previous meeting and grant Ms. Caisse's party rental of the pavilion during the time requested. This permission was granted on the condition that the party posts warnings at the Beach to advise the public of this event. The Board also requested that Ms. Caisse's party use discretion in amplifier volume.

REVIEW OF 2010 UNLICENSED DOGS

Briefly reviewed list of dogs on record with the Town Clerk's Office that have not been licensed in 2010. Also reviewed a list of dogs not licensed since 2008 or 2007. Owners of all dogs on these lists have received two notices of delinquency in 2010.

After brief discussion the Board agreed to forward these lists to First Constable Timothy Gibbs for pursuit of licensing.

REVIEW OF APPROVED ZONING PERMIT FOR RECYCLING SHED

Reviewed permit for addition to recycling shed, as approved by Zoning Administrative Officer Shirley Warden.

Roberts discussed the possibility of paying the Highway Department employees overtime rates to build this addition rather than hiring a builder. The Board and Road Foreman Timothy Gibbs agreed to pursue this approach.

**CORRESPONDENCE FROM TOWN AGENT JAY ABRAMSON
REGARDING APPEAL OF ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT'S
DECISION**

Read letter regarding the appeal of Patricia Wood, Trustee of the Gibson Wood Family Trust and reviewed enclosed letter from the Vermont Environmental Court regarding procedures governing the appeals process.

**CORRESPONDENCE FROM TOWN AGENT JAY ABRAMSON
REGARDING PURCHASE AND SALES AGREEMENT FOR CLARA
BROCK HOUSE**

Read email and reviewed revision of the Purchase and Sales Agreement for transfer of the Clara Brock cottage on the shore of Harvey's Lake Public Beach.

After brief discussion, signed the revised agreement.

Discussion ensued regarding the logistics of the removal of the cottage.

**CORRESPONDENCE FROM VERMONT LEAGUE OF CITIES & TOWNS
REGARDING HAZARD SURVEY OF TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE**

Read cover letter and reviewed action plan resulting from a June 8, 2010 hazard survey conducted by the Town's property insurance provider. The action plan identifies four hazards, each rated on scale of A through C, with A being the most significant hazard. Two of the hazards identified were rated "B" and two "C."

After brief discussion, a motion was made Bunnell to appoint Roberts to take action regarding these recommendations. Seconded by Faris and approved by voice vote.

**2010-2011 SERVICE CONTRACT FROM CALEDONIA COUNTY
SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT**

Read contract for term of July 1, 2010 to July 1, 2011 for the Caledonia County Sheriff's Department to provide the Town with police services including the aggregate amount of six hours per week from June 1 to October 31 and four hours per week from November 1 to May 30. Town expense for contract includes officer time at the rate of \$30.00 per hour, and court time at the rate of \$30.00 per hour. Other terms and conditions read.

After brief discussion Roberts signed the contract.

**APPLICATION FOR FIRE COST REIMBURSEMENT FROM STATE OF
VERMONT DEPARTMENT OF FOREST, PARKS AND RECREATION**

Reviewed and signed application for wildland fire cost reimbursement as submitted by Fire Warden Joseph Barrett.

CORRESPONDENCE FROM FAIRPOINT COMMUNICATIONS WITH PETITION AND ORDER REQUEST FOR BURIED CABLE ON GARLAND HILL

Read cover letter and reviewed proposal for buried cable on Garland Hill near the road's intersection with US Route 5 South in McIndoe Falls.

After brief discussion, the Board instructed Road Foreman Timothy Gibbs to contact FairPoint Communications to discuss the proposal's depth of cable burial.

DISCUSSION REGARDING POTENTIAL CHANGE IN RESERVE ACCOUNT INVESTMENTS

Discussed reports presented by Treasurer Benjamin Heisholt at June 14, 2010 meeting.

Board requested that Heisholt seek rate quotes from local banks for money market accounts and short-term certificates of deposit.

OTHER BUSINESS

- Reviewed emails regarding Act 250 permits of Calvin and Cherryll Bunnell and of Milarepa Center.
- Road Foreman Timothy Gibbs discussed a Highway Access Permit granted to Paul Edmondson in May of 2007. The new owners of the property for which this permit was granted have inquired about the driveway currently in place. Gibbs has inspected the driveway and found that it complies with the conditions of the permit.

UNIFORM MUNICIPAL EXCESS WEIGHT PERMIT

Approved fleet permit application of Karl R. Johnson Trucking, Inc.

OUTSTANDING CHECK WARRANTS

Reviewed and signed all outstanding check warrants.

EXECUTIVE SESSION REGARDING PERSONNEL MATTERS

Motion made by Faris to enter executive session. Seconded by Bunnell and approved by voice vote. Entered executive session at 8:15 p.m.

Motion made by Faris to exit executive session. Seconded by Bunnell and approved by voice vote. Exited executive session at 9:00 p.m.

No action taken.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Faris to adjourn. Seconded by Bunnell and approved by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

A true copy.

Attest: _____
Town Clerk