

# Town of Craftsbury Selectboard Minutes

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June 25, 2013

## Agenda:

- Approval Select Board Minutes
- Road Foreman's Report
- Craftsbury Outdoor Center Letter
- Green Mountain Power Letter
- Action Plan Discussion
- Clerk's Report
- Committee Reports
- Class 4 Road Policy
  - Conservation Commission Update
  - Planning Commission Member Needed
- Tax Rate
- Other Business:
  - Class 4 Road Policy
  - Dog Warden Position
  - Elinor Osborn Letter

The Selectboard met at the Craftsbury Town Hall on Tuesday, June 25, 2013 at 7 PM. Selectboard present were Bruce Urie, Jim Jones and Susan Houston. Steve Marckres (Road Foreman), Yvette Brown (Town Clerk), June Cook (Hardwick Gazette), and Michelle Warren (Clerk of Selectboard) were also present.

## Approval Select Board Minutes:

**Jim made a motion to approve the June 11, 2013 with one date correction; Susan seconded, approved.**

## Road Foreman's Report:

The Selectboard discussed with Steve roadside mowing bids. Brian Sanville wasn't able to do the mowing this year. Peter Snyder from Irasburg quoted \$3,600 for one pass. Putnaude quoted \$5,700 for one pass. **Jim made a motion to go with Peter Snyder, for up to \$4,000 which includes extra to cover trouble spots. Seconded and approved.** They talked about doing an earlier spot mowing next year to cover the invasive species sections.

## Craftsbury Outdoor Center Letter:

The Selectboard received a letter regarding the Selectboard's concerns with their act 250 permit. They had noted there is additional parking on the Rowell property now plus there will be extra parking with the new building. Although they have considered their own paved rollerski loop, they only considered it briefly due to costs and environmental impact.

## Green Mountain Power Letter:

The Selectboard received a letter from Green Mountain Power offering to meet with them if they have any questions. Yvette will check with Green Mountain Power, to see if they would be interested in meeting with the Selectboard and interested townspeople, at one of their August meetings.

Action Plan Discussion:

The Selectboard discussed the Hazard survey, which they didn't realize had a deadline. Yvette will order new exit signs after double checking with Walt. They will talk with Harry Miller about weight limit sign for upstairs. They still need to review what else should be completed for both the Town Hall and Town Garage.

Clerk's Report:

Yvette will check with Laura Britton about painting the Town Hall sign.

Committee Reports:

- Conservation Commission Update: The Selectboard discussed the recent Invasive Species Workshop, sponsored by the Conservation Commission. The Conservation Commission will try to locate where the invasive species are around the roadsides in Craftsbury.
- Planning Commission Member Needed: After discussion, the Selectboard decided to ask Emily McClure to be on the Planning Commission. Susan will let her know.

Tax Rate:

After calculation, the Selectboard declared the town tax rate of .5611. They are still awaiting the school tax.

Other Business:

- **Jim made a motion to adopt the Class 4 Roads & Trails Policy, seconded and approved.** The Selectboard signed the policy.
- Susan hasn't heard back from Chris Masse' regarding the dog warden position. Bruce said he would talk to him about it at the fire department meeting.
- The Selectboard received a letter from Elinor Osborn requesting that we don't mow along 1286 Lost Nation Road due to invasive plants along the roadside.

The Selectboard Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM. The next Selectboard Meeting is scheduled 7 PM on Tues. Aug. 6, 2013 at Craftsbury Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,



Michelle Warren, Clerk of the Select Board

Upcoming Project Considerations:

- Dog ordinance discussion
- Ancient road meeting
- Sidewalk between IA & Academy buildings
- Telecommunication ordinance amendment
- Wastewater feasibility study
- Emergency Management Plan discussion
- Coburn Hill court case
- Town Hall Relocation possibilities
- Brainstorm needs of Town Hall interior
- Brainstorm ideas for location Antiques & Uniques supplies

