

Town of Craftsbury Selectboard Minutes

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October 19, 2015

Agenda

- Walt Smith Discussion with Craftsbury Outdoor Center and Big Hosmer Lakefront Property Owners
- Approve Minutes
- Perkins House
- Road Foreman's Report
- Town Clerk
- Walk-ins that have business to come before the Selectboard

The Selectboard met at the Craftsbury Town Hall on Tuesday, October 19, 2015 at 7 PM. Selectboard present were Bruce Urie, Jim Jones and Susan Houston. Michelle Warren (Clerk of Selectboard), Lt. Walt Smith, Steve & Jane Glass, Steve & Holly George, Don Hawkins, Rita Benjamin, Bailey George Olmstead, Mark & Colleen George, Mike George, Dick Dreissigacker, Judy Geer, Betty Urie, Linda Libby, Robert Libby, Kimberly Howell, Troy Howell, Hannah George, Matt Gubar, Mary Pedrus, Davis Sutherland, Russ Spring, Lucas Schulz, Sarah George, Cassandra Purdy, Geoffrey Purdy and Tony Jones (approximately 30 people) were in attendance.

Walt Smith Discussion with Craftsbury Outdoor Center and Big Hosmer Lakefront Property Owners:

Lt. Smith met with both Craftsbury Outdoor Center and to discuss general rules and regulations on lakes in Vermont. He explained that for regatta races, an application needs to be sent to the Dept. of Public safety and approved 15 days prior to the event. He also discussed the distance needed from shoreline and from other vessels. Lt. Smith explained that no one person has any more rights to the water than anyone and no one can intentionally interfere with path of travel. After understanding that scullers went out from the Outdoor Center at 7-8:45 AM, 11:15 AM-12:45 PM and 4-5:45 PM (plus half hour before and after to get all of the sculls in and out of water), plus the green team rowing, it was estimated approximately 40 sculling boats at a time go out (55 at times) are rowing in groups on Big Hosmer. Right now the Outdoor Center has rowing Monday-Friday plus spring/summer weekends (except for 5). Several people remarked that the complimentary community rowing was a wonderful program. People that have property on Big Hosmer would also like to be able to use the pond more but it is a narrow waterway and difficult for approximately 35-40 scullers and other boaters use the space at the same time. Lt. Smith will bring this information to his superiors at the barrack, including the aquatic department and will forward his findings to Bruce. He suggested that the Big Hosmer Lakefront property owners talk with organizers of Joe's Pond to work on creating a legal organization, where all owners will have a say and work together.

Minutes:

Jim made a motion to approve the October 6, 2015 minutes as printed, seconded and approved.

Perkins House:

The Selectboard will meet with Jim Flint at the Community Dinner about the potential Perkins House on Wednesday night, October 21, 2015

Road Foreman's Report:

Steve was absent, no report given.

Town Clerk:

Yvette was absent, no report given.

Walk-ins that have business to come before the Selectboard:

None

The Selectboard Meeting adjourned 9 PM. Next meeting is scheduled 7 PM on Tuesday, November 10, 2015 at Craftsbury Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,



Michelle Warren, Clerk of the Select Board