

Town of Westmore
Selectboard Meeting Minutes
Feb 9, 2015

In attendance: Bill Perkins, Chair, Burton Hinton and David Stevens, Selectman, Kristen Olbrys, Auditor, Gerald Saindon, Lister, and Peter and Peg Hyslop

Bill called the meeting to order at 6:03pm

Bill moved and Burton seconded to add items to the agenda. Passed. Items added:

- Lease land
- State measurement Overlook Lane
- 911 Call Center Petition
- Renewable Energy VT
- Dept of Public Service – VTel/LaCross Tower

Bill moved and David seconded to approve minutes from the January 26 meeting. Passed.

There was no road foreman report.

Auditor Report: Paul Wasklewicz will not run for the auditor position.

There were no health issues.

Peter Hyslop – Frog Hollow/Westside Lane

Peter presented a “clean” map to the Selectboard and a synopsis of information about Frog Hollow/Westside Lane to give to the attorney. He also reported on information that he researched on 911 maps. Selectboard will contact attorney on how to proceed.

Certificate of Highway Miles

The state will measure tomorrow – 2/10/15. Burton moved and David seconded that the Certificate of Hwy Miles be approved and Bill be given permission to adjust Overlook Lane contingent on the State’s measurement. Passed.

Lease Land

Ashley from Bill Davies’ office called David about “lease land” in town. David explained what lease land is. Selectboard was not given specifics as to what this is about. David moved and Bill seconded that Burton look into the lease land issue with Bill Davies. Passed.

Petition to Keep 911 Center Open

Randi Pickel dropped off a petition and asked that this petition be allowed to be visible in town office.

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Renewable Energy VT

Renewable Energy VT sent a letter to the Selectboard asking them not to sign the resolution to give towns more input on renewable energy projects with the PSB. David moved and Burton seconded to take no action on the letter from Renewable Energy VT. Passed.

Town Woodlot Mgt

There was an inquiry about leasing town land for a maple sugaring operation. Before any land can be leased, a Forest Management Plan must be in place. Jason Benoit, local forester, was consulted and said that a Forest Management Plan would cost approximately \$2000 to complete. A discussion ensued about the importance of having a plan in place. Burton moved and David seconded to get started on coming up with a Forest Mgt. Plan. Passed.

When Jason Benoit was consulted about Forest Mgt Plan, he was asked about his availability to perhaps look at trees overhanging Long Pond Rd. He said that this is something he would be available to do and he would charge about \$25/hr.

Review Job Applications

Selectboard reviewed job applications for part-time highway position. Burton moved and Bill seconded to authorize Steve to choose from the applicants as he sees fit for part-time hire. Passed.

FEMA Reimbursement

The Selectboard discussed the FEMA reimbursement.

Burton moved and David seconded to approve Select Orders and Payroll #3. Passed.

Dept of Public Service – VTel/LaCross Tower

The Dept of Public Service sent a letter indicating that they agreed that aesthetics is an issue in the VTel/LaCross Tower case. They will provide an “expert” to look into the case.

Burton moved and David seconded to adjourn at 8:10pm. Passed.

Submitted by:
Kristen Olbrys

Bill Perkins (Chair)

David Stevens

Burton Hinton