

Town of Westmore
Selectboard Meeting Minutes
Nov 4, 2013

In attendance: David Stevens, Chair, Burton Hinton and Bill Perkins, Selectmen, Greg Gallagher, Town Clerk, Steve Davenport, Road Foreman, Vince and Louisa Dotoli, Bruce Wheeler, Chris Evans, Lister, Gerald Saindon, Paul Wasklewicz, Randi Pickel, Mary Lou Cummings, Gary Seslar, and Raymond and Gloria Rodrigue, Orleans Snowstormers.

David called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Burton moved and Bill seconded to add the following to the agenda:

- Town Ordinances
- 2013 Town Map

Passed.

Bill moved and David seconded to approve the Minutes of Oct 21st and Oct 30th. Passed.

Road Foreman:

Steve reported the state is moving road maintenance out of the garage. They would like to be able to use the Town bucket loader to load salt if needed. They will need a key to the shop.

Burton so moved and David seconded provided we get a signed agreement with the state accepting liability for any damage. Passed.

Steve stated that they do not use the small trailer nor the sander. He asked if the Town would like to sell them.

Burton moved and Bill seconded to put the equipment (trailer and sander) out to bid with the right to refuse all bids. Passed.

Bill stated that he had not been able to check out the ditch that Paul had said needed attention on Long Pond Rd. He will get to it this week.

Randi commented that she had seen a very large logging truck with a trailer coming down off Long Pond Road the other day. She thought it had to be overweight. Randi said she thought it was the logger who is cutting Dotoli's land.

Vince and Louisa said that their logger has an overweight permit and knows when the roads are safe to travel on.

Listers: Chris Evans introduced an Errors and Omissions proposal for Barton Electric. John Westinghouse, Vermont Property Value and Review advisor to Westmore has pointed out that there is a discrepancy in Barton Electric's fair market value. Instead of \$657,800, the value should be \$969,968. Burton moved and Bill seconded to approve the Listers' proposed Errors and Omissions for Barton Electric. Barton Electric will be sent a revised property tax bill and given 90 days to pay before it becomes delinquent. Passed unanimously.

Raymond and Gloria Rodrigue, Orleans Snowstormers, presented their annual "Landowner Permission Form" for permission to cross the North Beach and parking lot. They will provide Greg with a certificate of insurance.

Bill moved, and Burton seconded to sign the VAST "Landowner Permission Form". Passed.

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Gary Seslar and Mary Lou Cummings informed the Board that the Westmore Association was applying for a Greeter Grant for \$6,825. The Westmore Association will contribute another \$4,500 and they asked the town to contribute \$4,500 and sign a letter of support for the proposal.

Bill moved and Burton seconded to accept the proposal and add it to the Annual Meeting Warning. Passed.

There were no health issues.

David moved and Bill seconded to approve Select Orders and Payroll #23. Passed.

Jacques Roberge Was unable to make the meeting. He will be at the Nov 18th meeting. Greg explained the Employee Health Insurance situation with the State as best he could. Employers have been granted a reprieve by Gov. Shumlin. They no longer need to insure employees through VT Health Connect until March. The employer needs to register with VT Health Connect and decide how much they are going to contribute to employee health insurance. Mr. Roberge is a Health Insurance Broker who can handle setting up Westmore and working with employees to select their coverage. There is a State set fee of \$20 per employee per month for this. Then there is a \$7 per employee per month rebate, netting out to \$13 per employee per month.

Bill said he has spoken with attorney Brian Monahan about the Overlook Lane dispute and asked Greg if he had sent the attorney the case files. Greg said he had.

Greg presented a press release required for the Milfoil Grant. The Board said it was fine the way it is.

After Greg explained the way the State handles late Homestead filings, Burton moved and Bill seconded to set a 0% late fee on the tax payers. Passed unanimously.

Greg presented the 2013 town highway map. He said that any changes should be included on the Certificate of Highway miles.

Greg presented an e-mail from Jim Barlow proposing drafting ordinances for the town. Burton moved and Bill seconded to accept Jim's proposal for \$880. Passed unanimously. Bruce had asked if they could include a curfew at the beach from 11 PM until daylight.

David had talked with Steve after he had been working at the closed landfill. Steve said there was quite a bit of traffic thru there on 4X4s. David said some action needed to be taken to prevent that.

The Board reviewed correspondence.

David moved and Bill seconded to adjourn at 8:14. Passed.

Signed by,

Greg Gallagher
Westmore Town Clerk

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Bill Perkins

Burton Hinton