

Town of Westmore
Selectboard Meeting Minutes
Feb. 21, 2017

In attendance: Burton Hinton (7:08), Chair, Bill Perkins and David Stevens, Selectmen, Greg Gallagher, Town Clerk, Chris Evans, Lister, Gary Poginy, Terry Sicard, Andrew Sicard, Tim Lahar, Carl Lereoux, Jim Myers, Bobby Myers, Jacob Myers, Don Anderson, Paul and Cathi Wasklewicz, Miriam Simonds.

Bill called the meeting to order at 6:02

David moved and Bill seconded to add the following to the Agenda:

- Blue Flame contract renewal
- Excess Weight permit-Bourne's Energy
- Multi-Sector General Permit, MSGP

Passed

Greg presented information from VTrans asking for *TA60 Annual Town Financial Plan/ Certificate of Compliance* information. David said he thought Shane would meet with them to go over it.

Greg then presented a packet regarding a *Draft Multi-Sector General Permit* which needs to be renewed for the Transfer Station. The Board asked Greg to contact Paul Tomasi of NEKWMD. They thought he usually handles that.

The Board reviewed a contract Steve had sent over for gas prices at Blue Flame LP. They are the same as last year. David moved and Bill seconded to authorize Bill to sign the contract. Passed.

David moved and Bill seconded to authorize Bill to sign an Excess Weight Permit for Bourne's Energy. Passed.

David moved and Bill seconded to approve the Feb. 6th Minutes. Passed.

The Board was given the "Cash Report."

The Board reviewed and initialed the "Check Sequence Report"

David moved and Bill seconded to approve Select Orders and Payroll # 4. Passed.

The Board reviewed a request from Renee Leveille, Mountain Lake Cottages, for a "large user" discount on the special garbage bags.

David moved and Bill seconded to deny her request and suggested she pass the cost on to her guests. Passed.

Greg read a letter from Bruce and Claire Wheeler expressing their appreciation for Greg's service to the Town as well as his assistant, Michel Labounty and all Town employees and officers.

David moved and Bill seconded to enter the letter into the record. Passed.

Greg also presented his wage calculation as Town Clerk. He said he would work for the same \$19.18 per hour if the new Town Clerk wanted him.

Chris Evans discussed her information on taxing, or not, cell towers. It appears that the state has made it confusing on whether or not towns can tax cell towers. Bill said that most of the tax received from their tax would go to the state for the Education Tax anyway.

David moved and Bill seconded to support the Listers' decision on how to tax cell towers in Westmore. Passed.

Burton arrived at 7:08 and the request to open certain roads in Westmore to ATVs commenced. The advocates asked for Wheeler Mountain, Lakeview and Cook Roads to be opened to ATVs so they could connect to systems in other towns. Their state organization is VASA, which carries liability insurance similar to VAST. They will have a copy of the insurance coverage faxed to the Town office. They also said that all ATV machines have to carry insurance.

Greg presented letters from Donald and Catherine Anderson and Vincent and Louisa Dotoli objecting to opening Town roads to ATVs.

He also presented a letter from Beth Barnes offering free ATV Safety Training.

The Board stated it's concern was with safety and the Town's liability. They will review the liability coverage when Greg gets it.

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Bill moved and Burton seconded to approve the Feb. 1st_Bid Minutes. Passed. David abstained as he did not attend.

Burton moved and David seconded to go into Executive Session for a personnel issue at 8:04. Passed.

The Board came out of Executive Session at 8:30.
No action was taken.

Bill moved and David seconded to adjourn at 8:32. Passed.

Signed by,

Greg Gallagher
Westmore Town Clerk

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David Stevens

Bill Perkins