

Town of Westmore  
Selectboard Meeting Minutes  
June 15, 2015

In attendance: Bill Perkins, Chair, Burton Hinton and David Stevens, Selectmen, Greg Gallagher, Town Clerk, Bruce Melendy, NVDA, Miriam Simonds, Ray Lanier, Cathi Wasklewicz, Carol Davis, Miles Danaher and Vince and Louisa Dotoli.

Bill called the meeting to order at 6:00.

Burton reported that Steve has been working on some washouts from the recent storm(s). Bruce Melendy, NVDA, explained the need for updating the National Incident Management System. One reason is to be able to get more funding from certain disaster grants. Another is to be prepared for whatever disaster might happen. At least one selectman needs to take the online ICS 100 course. Bruce will send Bill the link. The "NIMS Adoption Document" will need to be signed. Bruce would like to get an update of the Fire Department equipment. Greg has asked Chris, but nothing yet. Greg will ask Steve to update his equipment list.

Alan Cole had written a request for putting electricity under the road. He said he would be responsible for it. Burton will talk to Ken Canning, VLCT about any liability exposure created by doing this.

Miles Danaher had several questions about his road. It is currently listed as "Off Flat Iron Lane." It used to be "Sugar House Road." He asked if it is a Class 5, Legal Trail, a Right-of-Way, or what. Miles also asked what were the Board's feeling about "Penting" the road. The Selectboard will research these questions.

Ray Lanier brought in signs he would like posted at the Town Beach for educating Kayakers on how to prevent transporting Milfoil. The Board will ask Steve to post them. Ray also said that the last section of the State's dock had floated away. Greg said Steve is aware of it. Darcy tried to bring it back while wearing waders, but the water was too high. Steve was going to try to coordinate putting it back with the Fire Department.

Trash notifications were reviewed. David moved and Bill seconded to post Burton's right-up in the Chronicle and on the web site. Passed.

The price of selling bags to the Willoughby Lake Store was discussed. David moved and Burton seconded to sell the new bags to the Willoughby Lake Store for \$3 each, for two cases. Price will be reviewed at a later date. If not updated, price will remain the same. Passed.

Greg showed a report of an inspection of the Transfer Station by Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation. They were very pleased with the Transfer Station, but would like to see something better with storage of fluorescent bulbs. Greg will give the report to Larry.

Greg presented four bids for the Town Audit. After reviewing the bids, Burton moved and David seconded to accept the proposal from Pace & Hawley for \$6,250 for the first year based on their being instate, familiar with Vermont Municipal laws and their familiarity with Westmore. Passed.

Greg briefly explained an upcoming Board of Abatement hearing. He said that if the Town was found in error, there could be a substantial fee to pay. He asked if VLCT should be contacted like in the case of

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the Long Pond suit to see if there was anything the Town should be doing so as not to disqualify from getting any possible insurance.

David moved and Bill seconded to have Greg contact VLCT about the above. Passed.

Greg was not prepared to discuss the Lease Land issue, so Burton moved and David seconded to table that issue until the next meeting. Passed.

Greg presented two complaints about damaged mail boxes. One from Ms. Wistner and one from Mr. Peaslee.

Burton moved and David seconded to have Greg tell them that in the past, the Town has not replaced damaged mail boxes with in the Town's right-of-way. Passed.

Greg presented a request from Phil White to have the Town approve events that he is having in the Town this summer. Burton moved and David seconded to authorize the Chair to sign the agreement. Passed.

David moved and Burton seconded to authorize Bill to sign an Excess Weight Permit for Warren Hill Trucking. Passed.

Burton moved and David seconded to approve the June 1<sup>st</sup> Minutes. Passed.

Burton moved and David seconded to approve Select Orders and Payroll #12. Passed.

The Board reviewed Correspondence.

Burton moved and David seconded to adjourn at 8:28. Passed.

Signed by,

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Greg Gallagher  
Westmore Town Clerk

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