

Town of Westmore  
Selectboard Meeting Minutes  
July 27, 2015

In attendance: Bill Perkins, Chair, Burton Hinton and David Stevens, Selectmen, Greg Gallagher, Town Clerk, Bruce Wheeler, Mariam Simonds, Gerald Saindon, Elizabeth Trail, *The Chronicle*, Cathi Wasklewicz, Larry Phipps, Ray Lanier, Art Brooks, and Vince and Louisa Dotoli.

Bill called the meeting to order at 6:00.

Bill moved and Burton seconded to add Transfer Station and Personnel Policy to the Agenda. Passed.

Greg brought up a request to have the Class 4 section of Old Cottage Lane graded. The Board will talk to Steve about this.

David moved and Burton seconded to approve a Curb Cut permit for Tom Philip. And have Bill sign. Passed.

Gerald reported that there were no health issues at Edgewood Park's inspection.

Larry reported that there were people that are putting non-recycling in their recycling bags. They have found milk, half and half cartons, grill parts, soot, grease, butter, etc in the recycling which they have to sort out. Also, the green garbage bags are getting heavier.

Greg said if the Selectboard write a memo about trash policy, he can put it in the tax bills.

Mariam said that at a recent NEKWMD meeting, Paul Tomasi said they would not be taking #5 or #7 plastic-yogurt, cottage cheese, etc. Cathi said she wondered about prescription bottles.

Greg will ask Paul Tomasi to the next meeting.

Ray Lanier and Art Brooks came after the Old Cottage Lane discussion. Bill will talk to Steve about it.

Art suggested that if the Town had extra fill, they could use it by the Town Forest parking. Steve will have to consider the wetland area.

Ray gave an update on the Greeters. An electric drop on the old State gravel pit on 5A will cost \$960. He asked the Selectboard to consider paying for it. He will ask the State if they will allow it there. Ray is still working on getting the Greeter Shack built.

Greg presented a letter from the Village Sports Shop in Lyndonville request to use the North Beach for a kayak and paddle board demo day on Aug. 15<sup>th</sup>.

Burton moved and David seconded to not grant permission for this use as it was commercial. Passed. The Board recommended they contact the State for the South Beach.

Greg then presented a letter from Tim Wilkinson, a North Beach property owner asking for a "No Parking" sign and parking on RT 16.

Burton said this was not a Town issue. He will check with Steve for the cost. There is a No Parking Policy for that area.

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David talked about the revision of the Personnel Policy. The Board should review it then ask Gwynn Zakov, VLCT to come to a meeting.

Greg reviewed several scenarios for calculating the new tax rate.  
Burton moved and David seconded to not use any Fund Balance and set the Municipal tax rate at \$0.4302 and sign the "Tax Rate Certification" form. Passed.

Bruce thanked the Board and Steve for the Speed Radar wagon. Burton credited Steve for getting it thru the State for at least two weeks.

Bill moved and Burton seconded to approve the July 13<sup>th</sup> Minutes. David abstained since he did not attend.

Burton moved and David seconded to approve Select Orders and Payroll # 15. Passed.

Bill is concerned about spending too much time sorting recyclables versus going with the zero sort method.

Larry asked the Board for an increase in Connie's pay rate since she has a lot more work with the new trash/recycling rules. Bruce and Cathi both supported the increase in Connie's pay rate.

David moved and Bill seconded to raise Connie's pay rate from \$11.07 to \$12 per hour effective next pay period. Passed.

The Board reviewed Correspondence.

David moved and Bill seconded to accept Florence Collins' resignation, with regret, from the Planning Commission. Passed.

Burton moved and David seconded to adjourn at 8:06. Passed.

Signed by,

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Greg Gallagher  
Westmore Town Clerk

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**Bill Perkins (Chair)**

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