

**TOWN OF FAIR HAVEN, VERMONT
SELECT BOARD
WATER AND SEWER COMMISSIONERS
LIQUOR COMMISSIONERS--CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS
MARCH 31, 2014
SELECT BOARD SESSION**

Members present: Chair Christopher Cole, Rod Holzworth, Bob Richards, Jeff Sheldon, Dave Ward

Others present: Glen Roberts, Frank Faryniarz, Ray Phillips, John Lulek, Neil Robinson, Tim Langlois, David Kitchin, Ceil Hunt, Chief William Humphries, Judy Sheldon, Jay Brown, Herb Durfee, and Wilma DeSpain

CALL TO ORDER

Christopher Cole, Chair, called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. and asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

Add to the agenda; appoint two members to the Mechanic Street Sidewalk Project Advisory Committee. Motion by Sheldon. Second by Holzworth. All voted aye.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ward moved to accept the March 17 minutes. Second by Sheldon. Correction: change the comment by Ken Jones to read, "*He talked to two people who received parking tickets.*" With the correction the minutes were approved 4-0. Minutes of 3/24 and 3/27 are not finished for approval.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Neil Robinson asked for support of amendment dealing with updated income sensitivity education law related to Act 60/68. Robinson also asked to have that item as an article during the Special Town Meeting vote needed for the budget. Durfee suggested it would be better to have such article during the November General Election since it's likely that a greater number of voters would be casting ballots then.

NEW BUSINESS

Low Impact Hydro Feasibility Study, Phase II--Jay Boeri, PE: Mr.Boeri presented the final draft of the study he prepared for the Town's consideration. He talked about the location that appears to be best for development of such a facility, the problems one might anticipate, the positives and negatives, and different cost scenarios based on current enabling legislation. One of the "net metering" scenarios seems to offer an economically viable opportunity that the Town may wish to consider. It was agreed Boeri should return to give a full presentation to the public. Durfee agreed to schedule the presentation.

OLD BUSINESS

Waste Hauling Contract--Tabled from Previous Meeting: Herb reported he analyzed the five proposals received. Based on his analysis, he recommended a 3-year contract be offered to Earth, Waste & Metal. There was general discussion by the board and the public about the proposals and their content. There were several questions also raised related to Durfee's analysis. Given the level and length of discussion the board believed additional time was necessary by board members to review the proposals and Durfee's analysis. Holzworth moved to table the hauler selection until the next meeting. Second by Sheldon. All voted aye.

Policies: By consensus, the board agreed to forward the final draft CDL and Workplace Drug/Alcohol policies to the Union for their comment.

In addition, the Selectboard Rules of Procedure previously voted on were passed to board members for their signature.

DEPARTMENT HEAD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Town Manager Durfee reported several tax sales are scheduled for tomorrow. He indicated the Police and DPW activity reports are in board member's folders. He also noted there was a letter received from a Benson Selectboard member supporting the Fair Haven Police Department.

ROUNDTABLE

Ward reported there are significant road problems on South Main Street and on Bolger Road. **Holzworth** asked for clarification of what is allowed by Open Meeting rules. There was discussion on how e-mail can relate to this.

REVIEW OF FINANCE REPORTS

The Town Manager reported Public Works has overspent their overtime budget of \$6,500 due to winter weather, specifically snow plowing.

The checkbook has a balance of \$186,411.29.

WARRENT

Sheldon moved to pay the warrants as follows: General Fund--\$102,119.20; Payroll--\$28,655.05. Second by Ward. All voted aye.

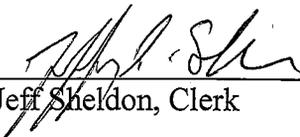
EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 8:31 p.m., Ward made a motion to go into Executive Session with the Town Manager to discuss a personnel matter. Second by Holzworth. All voted aye. At 9:31 p.m., Holzworth moved to come out of Executive Session. Second by Sheldon. All voted aye. No action taken.

ADJOURNMENT

Holzworth moved to adjourn at 9:31 p.m. Second by Sheldon. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Wilma B. DeSpain, Recorder



Jeff Sheldon, Clerk