

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

**SELECT BOARD
APRIL 17, 2012**

Members Present: Christopher Cole, Timothy Langlois, Jeff Sheldon, Claire Stanley, David Ward

Others Present: Peter Hathaway, John Lulek, Desiree Boucher, Edmund Tacey, Bob Richards, Jack Eaton, George Roberts, Mike Stannard

CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair Christopher Cole called the April 17, 2012 meeting of the Fair Haven Select Board to order at 7:05 p.m. and asked for all to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Select Stanley moved to approve the Select Board minutes of April 3, 2012. Second by Select Langlois. All voted aye.

Select Stanley moved to approve the minutes of the April 12, 2012 special session of the Fair Haven Select Board. Second by Select Langlois. Correction: line three under Planning Town Activities, Select Stanley spoke of town policies needing attention, not police. As corrected the minutes were unanimously approved.

APPOINTMENTS WITH INDIVIDUALS

Desiree Boucher: Ms. Boucher is the new Teen Center Director (Loft 89). She hopes it will soon reopen. She says it will be more structured and more community oriented than in the past.

PUBLIC COMMENT

George Roberts spoke briefly with general comments.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Jack Eaton, DPW, spoke of the road paving to be done (River Street and Scotch Hill) and grants that have been applied for. They have a soaker hose for use on the ball fields.

Select Langlois made a motion to move highway carry over money to Street and Sidewalk Reserve Fund to be used for summer paving projects. Second by Select Sheldon. All voted aye.

David Ward, Fire Dept., Service is due on the new fire truck and the company is coming to do the initial round, bumper-to-bumper. All seems to be going well with the department.

NEW BUSINESS

Coin Drop Selection: Six requests have been made for coin drops. Four will be selected by a "drawing". Based on the drawing, Select Langlois moved to grant coin drop requests to PTA, Loft 89, Circle of Hope K9 Rescue, and Fair Haven Recreation Dept. Second by Select Stanley. All voted aye.

Energy Committee: Mike Stannard gave an update of the committee activities. The research (work with engineers) indicates the Inman Pond project is not feasible. The best option appears to be hydro power from the Castleton River. A second feasibility study needs to be done. Select Sheldon moved to have the Town Manager and Mike Stannard (Energy Committee) prepare an RFQ for engineering services. Second by Select Langlois. All voted aye.

Annual v-trans financial plan for town highways: The plan was reviewed. Select Sheldon moved to sign the plan. Second by Select Langlois. All voted aye.

Bridge Inspection Report: A report from the state gives a satisfactory rating to the bridge on 22A over the Castleton River. Select Sheldon moved the acceptance of the report. Second by Select Stanley. All voted aye.

Investment Policy: Select Stanley moved to table the investment policy until the next meeting. Second by Select Sheldon. All voted aye.

Single Stream Committee: The Town Manager suggested such a committee could put the idea on an impartial basis. The Select Board could go along with the findings of the committee or not. Select Ward moved to authorize the Town Manager to advertise for letters of interest from persons interested in serving on a committee to study Single Stream recycling and report May 15. Second by Select Stanley. Motion passed by a 3-0 vote. Select Langlois did not vote.

OLD BUSINESS

Appointments: Select Stanley made a motion to appoint Maureen Hall Trustee of Public Funds. Second by Select Ward. All voted aye.

Correction: Select Ward made a motion to approve the revision of an entry in the November 11, 2011 minutes. Second by Select Langlois. Motion passed unanimously. Revision as follows: **Financing of Depot Street Bridge**

The state is giving us a \$175,000 grant. The Town is responsible for a 10% match of the total project costs of \$194,500 (about \$19,500). We need to determine where the money for expenses will come from prior to receiving grant money. We will get half from the state when the project is 50% complete and the remainder at completion. After discussion the motion was made by Select Stanley to use the remainder of the Surplus Grant Match Fund to pay toward the Town match and any amount needed after the match would come from the Reserve Grant Match Fund (for a total of about \$19,500). Interim money to cover the project will be drawn from the Streets and Sidewalk Reserve Fund--this to be reimbursed by the state grant. Second by Select Langlois. Motion passed.

ROUNDTABLE

Select Langlois reported work is being done on the baseball field and it looks good. Still some minor work to be done.

Select Stanley Caren Helm says there are two benches at railroad station to be moved to the park. (Two benches in the park, across from the bank, are to be moved so these can be placed there.)

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Select Ward asked when the summer help would begin and was advised they have already started.

Select Sheldon had a question regarding a payroll entry,

Town Manager Hathaway reported the TV station will be here at 10 a.m. Thursday to do a segment on the 4th Street sidewalk. He is working on the easement for the River Street pump station. The Welcome Center event will be June 23 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The Transfer Station flyer with changes will be available July 1. Jack is going to knock on doors with the flyers. The water and sewer budget is being worked on. Karen Stannard has inquiries out for summer help.

Select Cole asked about work on the 4th Street Sidewalk. The Manager advised flyers will be distributed with information.

FINANCE REPORTS

The Manager provided finance reports for Board review. The checkbook balance is \$332,970.84.

WARRANT

Select Stanley made a motion to pay the warrant as follows: Payroll-\$26,386.62; General Fund-\$94,426.43. Second by Select Sheldon. All voted aye

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Select Sheldon made a motion to go into Executive Session with the Board and the Town Manager to discuss personnel at 9:30 p.m. Second by Select Sheldon. All voted aye.

Select Langlois recused himself.

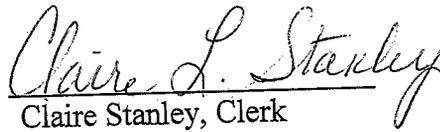
Select Stanley made a motion to return regular session at 9:55 p.m. Second by Select Sheldon. Motion supported unanimously.

Select Stanley moved to authorize the Town Manager to take appropriate action. Second by Select Ward. All voted aye.

ADJOURNMENT

Select Ward made a motion to adjourn at 9:56 p.m. Second by Select Stanley Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Wilma B. DeSpain


Claire Stanley, Clerk