

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

**SELECT BOARD
MAY 1, 2012**

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

Others Present: Fred Capron, Fran Upczak, Charlotte Capron, Mary McNeil, Timothy Pockette, Dani Roberts, RoseAnne VanLew, Lucia Suarez, Kristina Bliss, Glen Roberts, George Roberts, Neil Robinson, Peter Hathaway

CALL TO ORDER

Select Board Chair Chris Cole called the May 1, 2012 meeting of the Select Board to order at 7 p.m. and asked for everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Select Sheldon moved to approve the minutes of the April 17, 2012 meeting of the Select Board, Second by Select Stanley. All voted aye.

APPOINTMENTS WITH INDIVIDUALS

Charlotte Capron and Historical Society: Mrs. Capron presented a lengthy paper related to West Street Cemetery and some condition issues mainly relating to the grounds, trees and grave markers. Dani Roberts, of the Historical Society, said the Society shares the concerns and need for action. It was agreed to establish a ~~board~~ ^{COMMITTEE} of from three to five members who will serve as an advisory committee while work is being done. Tim Pockette, Charlotte Capron, Dani Roberts and Mary McNeil agreed to serve on the committee. Letters of interest will be requested in search of a fifth person for the committee. Select Langlois moved to establish an advisory committee with the aforementioned persons. Second by Select Sheldon. All voted aye.

Fred Capron passed to the Select Board cards identifying the 10 bands that will perform concerts in the park this summer. Ice cream cones will be served at four of the concerts, compliments of four different entities. Mr. Capron was extremely complimentary of the support from businesses in the area, saying they have "really stepped up".

PUBLIC COMMENT

RoseAnne VanLew reported on a meeting of the Rutland Regional Planning Commission. A major part of the meeting related to the windmill project being proposed in the area. The main concern for the Fair Haven area is the portion proposed for Grandpa's Knob. She emphasized this is close enough to Fair Haven to impact us and we need to stay informed. (She is an alternate and will not be able to attend the May meeting. The position of full board member still needs to be filled.)

Glen Roberts, Neil Robinson, and George Roberts participated in the discussion.

DEPARTMENT HEAD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Kristina Bliss, representing the Water Department, specifically the water treatment plant, reported on the routine at the plant.

Police Department: Police Chief Bill Humphries and Officer Dale Kerber introduced the Board to the dog recently given to the department by State Police Trooper Hunter. Officer Kerber is the dog's primary care giver. The dog will ride with Kerber in a cage that has been provided and which temporarily replaces the back seat. Officer James Reil, who prepared an entry for the Law Enforcement Challenge, was introduced. It earned first place. The Chief indicated we don't know yet what this might mean to our department.

Mike Stannard, representing the Energy Committee, distributed a paper, "Scope of Services for Feasibility Study for Potential Development of Energy Recovery Low-Impact Hydro in the Town of Fair Haven, VT". It was agreed such a document needs broad representation among professionals in the engineering field. Board members are to study the document for the next two weeks and then it will be put back on the agenda.

NEW BUSINESS

Appointment: Brenda Bowen has resigned from the Recreation Committee. Select Stanley moved to appoint David Kitchens to the committee. Second by Select Langlois. All voted aye.

Recycle Resolution: After discussion, Select Stanley moved to approve a resolution regarding recycling and establishing a recycling advisory committee for Fair Haven. Second by Select Ward. All voted aye.

Water/Sewer connection application: *Motion was made and seconded to table*
ALLOCATION

OLD BUSINESS

Investment Policy: The Board approved *a formalized version of the existing* ~~minor changes to the~~ investment policy. Select Langlois moved to approve the Town of Fair Haven Investment/Finance Policy. Second by Select Stanley. All voted aye. The town treasurer must also approve the policy.

ROUNDTABLE

Select Stanley reported the two benches Caren Helm discovered at the railroad station have been relocated to the park.

Select Langlois reported baseball has started and they need a cash register for admissions. Records are being worked on at the Transfer Station. He is asking for an update from Karen Stannard on the summer program.

Select Ward indicated he believes there is too much water on the baseball field for a game to be played. He inquired about the Department Head meeting that has been discussed.

Select Sheldon wondered if the town is logging on Inman Pond tract. He noticed a digital recorder was purchased and asked why we aren't using it. (Manager advised it was not purchased for the Select Board.)

REVIEW OF FINANCE REPORTS

Manager Hathaway provided the Board with financial reports for their review. He reported an account balance of \$339,202.27. Taxes are doing well, as are all departments.

SIGNING OF WARRANT

Select Stanley moved to pay the Warrant as follows: Payroll-\$25,557.85; General Fund-\$34,159.91. Second by Select Ward. All voted aye.

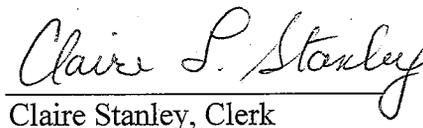
EXECUTIVE SESSION

Select Stanley made a motion to go into Executive Session at 9:18 p.m. with the Town Manager to discuss personnel and legal matters. Second by Select Langlois. All voted aye. The Board came out of Executive Session at 10:25 p.m. on motion by Select Stanley. Second by Select Ward. All voted aye. No action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

Select Langlois made a motion to adjourn at 10:26 p.m. Second by Select Ward. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Wilma B. DeSpain



Claire Stanley, Clerk