

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

**NOVEMBER 29, 2011
SELECT BOARD**

Members Present: Christopher Cole, Rod Holzworth,II, Timothy Langlois, Jeff Sheldon
Absent member: Claire Stanley

Others Present: John Lulek, Lucia Suarez, Jenny Bertrum, David Ward, Jack Eaton,
Police Chief William Humphries

CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair Jeff Sheldon called the November 29, 2011 meeting of the Fair Haven Select Board to order at 7:10 p.m. In the absence of Select Stanley (Clerk of the Board), Select Holzworth moved to have Select Langlois serve as Acting Clerk for this meeting, Second by Select Cole. Motion carried.

ACTION ON MINUTES

Select Cole made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 15, 2011 Select Board meeting. Second by Select Holzworth. Corrections: under Public Comment "Brandon" should be "Benson"; third line down--change "with no" to "without"; in New Business--reference to the bridge should be "Depot Street" not "River Street"; bridge funding should reference \$17,000 from Grant Matching Reserve Account and Streets and Sidewalk Surplus Reserve Fund. Under Hydro Committee, the water plant operator is willing to "support" the Energy Committee, not be a member of the committee. Minutes were unanimously approved as corrected.

Select Holzworth made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 17 Special Select Board meeting. Second by Select Cole. Motion unanimously approved.

Select Cole made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 22 Special Select Board meeting. Second by Select Holzworth. Correction: under Budget Discussion--health insurance applications need to be in by December 1, application take affect January 1. Minutes unanimously approved as corrected.

APPOINTMENTS WITH INDIVIDUALS

No appointments

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Jack Eaton, DPW, reported they have been working on the West Street Cemetery problems; two maple trees are coming down; they are going to put up green snow fence

instead of orange. They are working with sewer flushing. New tires are needed for the loader. The state bid price is over \$1200 each. It was suggested the Manager needs to look for the best place to find the money.

David Ward, Fire Chief, said things have been "looking quiet" for the last two weeks.

NEW BUSINESS

Special Event Permit-Marble Mansion Inn: A Birds Eye Artisans Holiday Show is scheduled for Sunday, December 4, at Marble Mansion Inn. Champlain Valley Vineyard will be serving their products. Select Langlois made a motion to approve the Special Events Permit for the Marble Mansion. Second by Select Cole. Motion approved unanimously. The Board is specifying the event be limited to Marble Mansion Inn property. After further discussion Select Langlois made a motion to rescind the previous motion. Second by Select Holzworth. Motion approved unanimously. Select Cole made a motion to approve Special Event Permit for Champlain Valley Vineyard, LLC for the Birds Eye Artisans Holiday Show at Marble Mansion Inn. This will allow the serving of wine at the show. Second by Select Holzworth. Motion unanimously approved.

OLD BUSINESS

Vision Plan: Time was spent explaining various aspects of the vision plan that is supplemental to the regular health insurance and optional for employees. No action necessary.

Budget Discussion: Jenny Bertrum attended the meeting to help with the budget discussions. The Board is attempting to come up with questions to ask the auditor in an effort to minimize the problem with questions the public might ask. The auditor will be here December 13. With Public Works the major discussion centered on whether or not to replace the dump utility truck containing plow and sander. The truck, a 2002 model, has 40,000 miles on it.

Fire Department discussions included options for the purchase of the next truck to be replaced, equipment (gear) that must be replaced for the individual firemen this next year, and adding to the rescue equipment.

Two capital projects mentioned were the town garage and the recreation building. The budget work is continuing.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Reports were made available for review. The checkbook balance is \$690,273.70.

SIGNING OF WARRANT

Select Langlois made a motion to pay the warrant as follows: Payroll-\$25,329.02; General Fund-\$71,827.57. Second by Select Holzworth. Motion approved unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Select Holzworth made a motion to go into an Executive Session with Town Manager Hathaway and Police Chief Humphries to discuss legal issues. Second by Select Langlois. Motion approved unanimously.

A motion to return to open session was made at 11:50 p.m. by Select Holzworth. Second by Select Cole. Motion carried unanimously. No action taken in Executive Session.

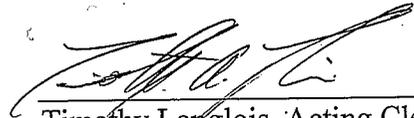
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~~Select Cole moved to adjourn at 11:52 p.m. Second by Select Holzworth. Motion approved unanimously. Meeting adjourned. REMOVE~~

ADJOURNMENT

Select Cole made a motion to adjourn at 11:52 p.m. Second by Select Holzworth. Motion approved unanimously. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Wilma B. DeSpain



Timothy Langlois, Acting Clerk