

**Town of Winhall Selectboard  
Bondville, Vermont 05340  
Meeting Minutes for Wednesday, July 2, 2014**

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**PRESENT:** Bob Oakes, Bill Schwartz, Steve Blanchard, Lissa Stark, Town Administrator, Lucia Wing, Secretary, Jeff Whitesell (WPD), Scott Bushee (Facilities), Trevor Dryden (Highway)

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:** Marcel Gisquet (Clerk of the Works), Dave Glabach (Health Officer), Craig Watrous (WPD), Mike Wilson, Sandy Mackinnon (ZBA), Troy Carroway (Stone's Lodge)

**CALL TO ORDER:** Oakes called the regular meeting to order at 4:05 PM at the Town Hall.

**GISQUET: CONTRACT FOR CLERK OF THE WORKS:** Gisquet and the Selectboard reviewed the Clerk of the Works contract and made some changes relative to insurance. Gisquet and the Town Adm. would draw up a new contract for signatures.

**TOWN GARAGE CONTINUED DISCUSSION:** Gisquet reported he had met with Cotton architects; the architectural plans were mostly complete along with the bid package and specs. Discussion included metal and color for the outside of the building; specs on the fuel tanks; current fuel deliveries; fuel usage; holding fuel deliveries for now; moving the tanks to another location; ordering a portable tank until the other tanks were dug up and moved, or closed, so that they did not need to be dug up, or purchase new tanks; getting credit for fuel currently in the tanks; relocating and testing the quality of the well water; and State permits to relocate the well and tanks. They discussed the newest site plan, (option 7), relative to the Town garage structure; its exact location still needed tweaking. Gisquet reported he was meeting with Green Mountain Power to move transmission lines. Dryden reported he could move one of the tanks, nearly empty, to the salt shed.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** (None)

**HIGHWAY & ROADS REPORT:** Dryden commented he would fix the aprons on Lake Road and Old Lane Road.

**TRANSFER STATION: REPORT:** (No report)

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** At 5:10 PM, the Selectboard voted to go into executive session to discuss personnel issues; *motion by Blanchard; seconded by Oakes; unanimous.* At 5:30 PM the Selectboard came out of executive session; *motion by Schwartz; seconded by Oakes; unanimous.* Out of executive session the Selectboard reappointed Tom Maneggia to the Zoning Board of Adjustment; *motion by Schwartz; seconded by Blanchard; unanimous.* After review, the Selectboard hired Craig Waltrous (currently part-time) as a full time Winhall police officer starting 6/26/14; *motion by Oakes; seconded by Blanchard; unanimous.*

**POLICE/FIRE/RESCUE: REPORT:** Chief Whitesell submitted the police report for the month of June including traffic tickets and warnings, false alarms, animal control matters, DUI's, medical assists, property watch, and law incidents in and around Winhall and Stratton Resort. Whitesell reported the snowmaking pond was getting a lot of use during the hot spell; the WPD had patrolled the area frequently. Whitesell reported the police cruiser was in and would get outfitted. Lots of road signs had been reported stolen and needed to be replaced.

**LOWER TAYLOR HILL BRIDGE: DISCUSSION:** Mike Wilson and Dave Glabach came before the Selectboard to talk about the bridge on Lower Taylor Hill. Glabach reported some residents on Lower Taylor Hill Road wanted to reopen the bridge; others who did not live on the road had opinions about the bridge as well both keeping it closed and reopening it. The Selectboard agreed if they could get a grant for 1.2 million then they would consider fixing it. Wilson would look further into State grant information and get back to the Selectboard with his findings.

**HEALTH OFFICER REPORT:** Dave Glabach reported he was investigating a septic system in Strattonwald.

**LIQUOR BOARD MEETING:** At 5:50 PM the Selectboard closed the Selectboard meeting and opened the Liquor Board meeting. In the Liquor Board meeting they signed a liquor license for Troy Carroway, Skiway Management LLC (Stone's Lodge); *motion by Blanchard; seconded by Oakes; unanimous.* At 6:00 PM the Selectboard reopened the Selectboard meeting.

**CHAPIN LAND:** The Selectboard discussed the results of the engineer's report on the Chapin lots owned by the Town which included building development, access, and septic and well capabilities. The Selectboard discussed selling the lots, price, and joining MLS. They would discuss it further at the next meeting.

**CEMETERIES:** Bushee and the Selectboard discussed mowing the cemeteries more regularly (every other week) as a result of residents who had mentioned it to Bushee. The Selectboard agreed. Next year they would make it part of the maintenance contract. Bushee commented the steps at the Library were fixed. Other work had been completed; a bid package for painting the Library was in the works.

**TOWN ADMINISTRATOR UPDATE:**

- 1) The Town Administrator reported on the reserve amounts re: financials.
- 2) Stark reported that Fair Point Communications was now the telephone carrier for the Town of Winhall; the telephone bill was cut in half as a result. The Selectboard agreed to install WIFI at the Town Garage.
- 3) The Selectboard approved and signed the letter from the Town of Winhall to Elizabeth Bell, Benson Fuller Road.

**PAYORDERS:** After review, the Selectboard approved payorder #1 as presented; *motion by Schwartz; seconded by Oakes; unanimous.*

**PAYROLL:** After review, the Selectboard approved payroll #25 & #26 as presented; *motion by Schwartz; seconded by Oakes; unanimous.*

**APPROVAL OF PAST MEETING MINUTE(S):** After review, the Selectboard approved the meeting minutes of June 12 & June 18, 2014 as amended; *motion by Oakes; seconded by Schwartz; unanimous.*

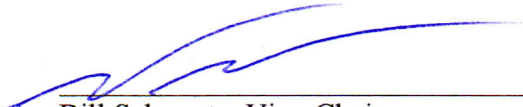
**CORRESPONDENCE:** (None)

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** At 6:45 PM the Selectboard voted to go into executive session to discuss sand & gravel contracts and the Winhall Highway Foreman job; *motion by Oakes; seconded by Schwartz; unanimous.* At 7:45 PM the Selectboard voted to come out of executive session; *motion by Schwartz; seconded by Oakes; unanimous.* Out of executive session, the Selectboard voted to award the sand and gravel contract to Chaves; *motion by Schwartz, seconded by Blanchard; unanimous.* The Selectboard also decided to interview two of the candidates for the Road Foreman position.

As there was no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM; *motion by Oakes; seconded by Schwartz; unanimous.*

Lucia Wing, Secretary  
Winhall Selectboard

  
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Robert Oakes, Chair

  
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Bill Schwartz, Vice-Chair

  
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Steve Blanchard, Member