

TOWN OF WINHALL SELECTBOARD
Special Meeting Minutes for Thursday, July 31, 2014

PRESENT: Bob Oakes, Bill Schwartz, Steve Blanchard, Lucia Wing (Secretary), Marcel Gisquet (Clerk of the Works), Trevor Dryden (Highway)

CALL TO ORDER: Oakes called the special meeting to order at 9:00 AM at the Town Hall.

OTHER BUSINESS:

1) After review, the Selectboard approved an access permit for Fair Point Communications to replace a culvert for work in the Town right-of-way at #5 Stratton Gardens Road off the Access Road; *motion by Oakes; seconded by Schwartz; unanimous.*

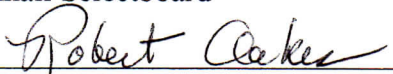
2) After review, the Selectboard agreed to hire Nancy Burke, Townsend Water Testing, to test the water at the Mountain School for \$100 per month; *motion by Oakes; seconded by Schwartz; unanimous.*

WINHALL TOWN GARAGE: CONTINUED DISCUSSION:

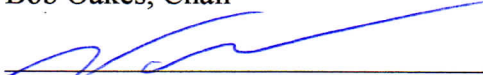
Gisquet and the Selectboard met to discuss the current status of the Town garage. Gisquet reported the bid package was ready; however, Cotton Architects recommended the Selectboard contact a few interested bidders prior to going to bid, and then choosing several candidates rather than sending the bid package out and getting many bidders who would be inappropriate. The construction plans had been finalized. Next they discussed the current status of the fuel tanks; Gisquet had received two bids—one from ECS for approximately \$87,000, and the other from Cota & Cota for \$150,000; he was looking for a third proposal. Discussion followed about the details of the proposals. Oakes commented on the Town purchasing tanks directly from a designated company thereby eliminating the middle man. Discussion included how to reduce cost(s) and still maintain national codes for fuel tanks. They also discussed testing the soil and fire-rated versus non fire-rated tanks. In the meantime Gisquet would contact Highland Tanks in Troy, NY and get some prices to purchase tanks directly. Gisquet reported he had been in contact with Seven Eleven to purchase fuel directly while the garage tanks were being replaced; discussion followed about how to handle the Town's tax exempt status. Discussion also included the cost of temporary tanks versus getting gas directly from Seven Eleven, and getting one vendor to deliver all fuels instead of several. Gisquet reported he was meeting with Sparky Electric to do the necessary electrical work at the four-bay garage. Although contacted, Green Mountain Power was unresponsive. TAM would be dismantling the garage by the middle of August. Gisquet commented he would continue to research the garage fuel tank situation to get the best price available and would work with the architects to get the bid package out.

As there was no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:25 AM; *motion by Blanchard; seconded by Oakes; unanimous.*

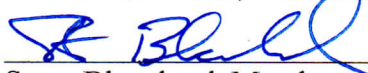
Lucia Wing, Secretary
Winhall Selectboard



Bob Oakes, Chair



Willfam Schwartz, Vice-Chair



Steve Blanchard, Member