

# FRANKLIN SELECTBOARD MEETING

## FEBRUARY 15, 2017 @ 7:00 p.m.

### TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE

**Members Present:** Peter Magnant, Yvon Dandurand, Andy Godin, Brooks Sturtevant and Ed Rainville.

Guests: Bill & Sue Mayo, Curtis Ploof, Kim Gates Maynard

At 7:01 p.m. Peter M called the meeting to order. All recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:** None

**AGENDA AMENDMENTS:** Table Better Roads grant signing; table liquor control permits; look at grand list, no action likely to be taken. All in favor

**MINUTES:** Brooks/Ed made a motion to approve the Feb 1<sup>st</sup> minutes as written.

No discussion, no changes; Peter called for vote, motion to approve minutes; 4 in favor, Andy abstain. Motion passed.

#### **HIGHWAY DEPT:**

- New sidewalks-Main Street: Pete wanted to inform the business/property owners of the boards desire to install new sidewalks on Main St from Hanna Rd to Square Rd. Bill Mayo is concerned about safety issues, and the burden this would place on citizens/delivery people. Would lessen the parking for handicapped/day care providers with small children. Sue Mayo is concerned on the impact this would have on the store business. Peter advised they would not put a curb on this section of sidewalk. Ed asked if there was no curb, would business owners object and have no concerns about it? Curtis has some concerns about safety; the difference for him is that parking for apartments is permanent, not temporary parking. Need to have six spots available. Kim brought up the issue about walkers using the sidewalks. Want money to go towards sidewalks in front of Maynard residents to town hall. Pete stated that VTrans would not let the town install crosswalks; start sidewalks on opposite side of Franklin General Store.

#### **TOWN CLERK CONCERNS:**

- Tabled signing of Grand List

**REVIEWED/SIGNED BILLS:** The board reviewed and signed bills.

#### **SELECTBOARD FOLDER:**

- Pete read sidewalk information from Gary Denton, Enosburg Public Works.
- J. Hutchins Inc. paving services – want to provide paving services to the town, want to meet to discuss our needs. Ed stated J. Hutchins is a very nice person, asked where J. Hutchins would get pavement. Pete thought it would be a good idea to bring him in for meet/greet.
- Pete read a letter from St. Albans City regarding the FY8 dispatch fees; they would remain at the same level. Pete advised because it was not on the agenda they would take no action; will warn to review and sign the contract for dispatch services at the next meeting.
- Pete brought up the septic pump-out fees for the highway garage; board wondered if there is a leak somewhere. Yvon suggested shutting off the valve to the toilet to determine if it leaks or not.
- Lisa wanted the board to review the Ambulance Service fact sheet; Pete read aloud, board discussed, no action taken.

#### **MEMBER CONCERNS/OTHER BUSINESS:**

- Yvon asked if Tim Magnant will come and review the warning and questions before town meeting.
- Andy – could put salt on sidewalks; looking at a spreader for salt acted with magnesium chloride. Howard had advised the salt cost would be \$1600, split costs with school; works at a lower temperature. Would need to invest in a spreader.
- Pete asked if the town will need to purchase more salt this winter.

Brooks/Yvon made a motion to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING WILL BE MARCH 1, 2017 AT 7:00 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Larivee, Town Clerk/Treasurer

February 16, 2017

**These minutes are not official until approved at the next regular board meeting.**

These minutes were approved at the March 1, 2017 Selectboard meeting.