

**MINUTES OF THE FRANKLIN SELECTBOARD  
MONDAY, JANUARY 11, 2016 @ 7:30 P.M.  
TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE**

**Members Present:** Peter Magnant, Yvon Dandurand, Brooks Sturtevant, Andy Godin, Ed Rainville and Sara Rainville, Assistant Town Clerk/Assistant Treasurer.

Peter called the meeting to order at 7:39 p.m., pledge of allegiance was said.

**Agenda amendments:**

Add Park & Ride after New Plow Truck Discussion.

All members voted in favor, 5-0 approved.

**Public Comments:** none

**New Plow Truck:** Yvon has received quotes from two companies on new plow trucks to replace Truck #2, (2006 MAC), the same two companies also gave him trade values on current truck #2.

Sheldon Trucks (MAC truck)-truck chassis only is \$127,674; dump box, plow, wing, set up chassis quoted through HP Fairfield & TENCO was \$73,000-\$75,000. Total for new truck \$200,674-\$202,674. Sheldon Trucks would do \$30,000 trade-in on truck we are looking at replacing. Specs: 405 horsepower engine, heavy duty, auto transmission, Chalmers suspension.

Clark's Truck Center (International truck)-complete truck (chassis, dump box, plow, wing, etc.-all setup) \$183,141. Clark's would do \$55,000 trade-in on truck we are looking at replacing. Specs: 475 horsepower, heavy duty, auto transmission, Chalmers suspension. Clark's has the truck on the lot now, they also stated that the agreement could be cancelled if the voters did not approve of purchasing a new truck at town meeting with no penalties to the Town.

Peter noted that he appreciates Yvon's work in getting the quotes. He also noted his concerns about the longevity/lifespan on the highway departments aging equipment. The board agreed with Pete's concerns and will compile a replacement timeline/plan to be included in the road commissioner's report in the town report. Yvon also stated that the current trucks have very high mileage for their years due to the proximity of the pits used for hauling supplies. Trade values were discussed as well as different trucks sizes such as a one ton truck to use around town instead of the larger dump truck.

The equipment fund was discussed; Sara provided the board with the current balance of \$51,468.32, plus \$10,000 for FY16 budget, and a proposed \$10,000 addition in the FY17 budget.

Andy/Yvon made the motion to accept the Clark's Truck Center quote for a new International Truck, 100% already setup and road ready, at the price of \$128,141, which includes a \$55,000 trade-in on current MAC truck. Vote taken: Brooks, Andy and Yvon in favor; Ed and Pete opposed. Motion passed 3-2.

Yvon/Brooks made the motion to warn an article for Town Meeting on the purchase of a new highway truck which includes chassis, dump box, plow, and wing for the amount of \$128,141 less \$51,000 from the equipment fund for a total of \$77,141 to be financed for a maximum of five years. Vote taken, all in favor; motion passed 5-0.

All members were in favor of Yvon signing an agreement with Clark's Truck center to lock in the quoted price for the new truck and trade-in value on existing truck with the condition that the truck purchase agreement can be cancelled if the article for the new truck does not pass at Town Meeting.

**Park & Ride:**

Pete spoke to Wayne Davis on January 8, 2016 about the Park & Ride and the select board has been negotiating in good faith to find a resolution.

Yvon has been working with Bethany Remmers and Catherine Dimitruk at Northwest Regional Planning on coordinating a meeting between the Town of Franklin and State of Vermont to discuss the Park & Ride. They felt that this would not be accomplished before Town Meeting. Yvon will keep the board updated in the issue.

**Rutland Resolution/wind-solar legislation:** The goal of this resolution is to increase the input of Vermont municipalities regarding the siting of renewable energy projects in certificate of public good proceedings before the Public Service Board. The board supports the resolution; motion made by Brooks/Yvon to approve the letter of support. All members voted in favor; motion passed. All members signed the letter.

**Other Business:**

Peter would like the *Town of Franklin and Water District Joint Agreement* added to the February 3, 2016 select board agenda; the water district approved the agreement and chair, Jes Alexant signed on their behalf.

Next select board meeting will be Wednesday, January 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in School library.

Next regular select board meeting will be Wednesday, February 3<sup>h</sup> at 7:00 pm in Town Clerk's Office.

Ed//Brooks made a motion to adjourn. All members voted in favor, meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Sara Rainville, Assistant Town Clerk  
January 12, 2016

***These minutes are not official until approved at the Select board's next regular meeting.***  
These minutes were approved at the January 20, 2016 meeting.