

**Minutes of Franklin Selectboard
July 19, 2017 @6:00 p.m.
Town Clerk's Office**

CALL TO ORDER

At 6:01 p.m. Yvon Dandurand called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. There was not a quorum present, so discussion only was allowed.

PRESENT: Yvon Dandurand, Brooks Sturtevant, Peter Magnant, Andy Godin and Sandi Murphy, minute taker.

GUESTS: Chris Ferland (Health Officer); Peter Benevento and Larry Myott from the Lake Carmi Campers Association; John Tatro, camp owner; Guy Robarge; Jeremy Barnum (road crew); Bob LaFont (Pike); Bridgette Favreau (Rec. Dept. Committee)

AGENDA AMENDMENTS: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (This will be done once a quorum is in attendance).

LCCA:

Peter Benevento was present wanting an update on the weed harvester. Yvon D updated everyone. The hydraulics are the issue. Viking is helping us now. A man is coming next week to take a look at the harvester. Yvon D has given him all the numbers on the harvester so he can research before coming. Concerning the General Road Permit; Franklin Town has applied for this. Concerning the Water Testing- Conductivity tests were done by DEC (Department of Environmental Conservation) prior to the July 4th weekend all around the Lake. The results of these tests will be available in a week or two. These tests could help determine problem septic. The Dept. of Health has closed the beach at the North end of Lake Carmi. Signs are posted and will be removed as soon as it is safe to do so. Chris Ferland, Town Health Officer, wants more help from the area Game Warden. It was brought up that the beach area should have trash cans and/or a Port-a-potty. There were concerns about speeding in the North end of the Lake.

6:30 p.m. Peter M arrived. continuing with the LCCA concerns..... on August 12th there will be a meeting with the Franklin County Delegation and on August 17th at the FELCO Room the Secretary of Agriculture will come to visit and talk about TMDL (Total Maximum daily load). The LCCA members present also brought up wanting to be able to vote by Australian Ballot so they can do Absentee Ballot voting. They asked the Selectboard to consider this going forward.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: June 21 meeting at the Town Hall to approve Stark Electrical as contractor to do the work on the Town Hall and the June 21 meeting at the FELCO Room which was an Informational Public Hearing on the revised Town Plan. Brooks S/Yvon D made the motion to approve both of these minutes. No discussion. Vote taken, All in favor, Motion carried. June 26th meeting to sign a grant for the roads and the July 11th meeting where interviews for the Road Crew were held in Executive session. Brooks S/Yvon D made a motion to accept these minutes as presented. No discussion. Vote taken, All in Favor, Motion carried.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

- Paving Bid review- Jeremy from the Road Crew was present. There were three quotes received. Hutchins bid \$72.00 per ton for a total of \$140,616. Pike bid \$71.30 per ton for a total of \$137,252.50. ST Paving bid \$73.50 per ton for a total of approx. &143,000. (Andy Godin arrived at the meeting/7:00p.m.) Brook S/Yvon D made a motion to accept the Pike bid not to exceed \$100,000 total. No further discussion. Vote taken, All in Favor, Motion carried. A few minutes later Pete M signed the quote with the caveat of not exceeding \$100,000 and asked the Pike rep to sign and date it, as well. Copies were made for both parties.
- Crack sealing - Jeremy checked into sealing the section to be paved. It needs to be sealed at least 10 days before. There were two quotes for sealing. To seal Messier Road to the town line and Square Road and some of Riley Road. Nikon quoted \$8,000 and Fresh Coat quoted \$7,600. Brook S/Yvon D made a motion to accept the bid from Fresh Coat. No further discussion. Vote taken, All in Favor, motion carried.
- New Highway crew member/benefits - Jake Dandurand will be starting full time. Peter M suggested \$18.50 per hour and the normal benefits for full time employees. Brook S/Andy G made a motion to pay Jake \$18.50 per hour and review this in six months. No further discussion. Vote taken. Three voted in favor with one abstention. Motion carried. Jeremy said the Webster Road work is almost done and they will start drawing sand once they get caught up. Peter M thanked Jeremy for coming to the meeting.
- Morses Line Road culvert - VTRANS has looked at this. It still may be settling. They need to measure and monitor this culvert.

ROAD ORDINANCE REVIEW/ADOPTION: The SB decided to pass over this for now.

TOWN CLERK CONCERNS:-

Concerning the Rec. Dept. Director candidates - There were two applications, Dawn Fournier and one other person that has not gotten back to us. Franklin Rec. Dept. is taking over all the school sports this upcoming year. There is a job description. The Rec. Dept. recommends hiring Dawn Fournier. They feel she is qualified and already knows most of the people involved with sports. The board approves of hiring Dawn Fournier as Rec. Director. On the matter of recruiting more Board members, the Rec. Dept. wants more time.

Town Hall water line issue - the problem appears to be on the inside of the building. A plumber is needed to check this out.

Jenny's Barn Liquor Permits - Lisa the Town Clerk has signed several for the following dates: 8/5; 8/19; 9/2; 9/3; 9/16 and 10/14. Copies are in the file for our review.

Aquatic Nuisance Control Grant-in-aid to Town of Franklin for Lake Carmi - This Grant is for \$3070 with a matching amount of \$1,023. Brook S/Yvon D made a motion to sign the Grant Agreement. No further discussion. Vote taken, All in Favor, Motion carried.

REVIEW AND SIGN BILLS: Bills and orders were circulated and signed by all members present.

OLD BUSINESS: Town Hall lift rental schedule needs to be coordinated with Ed R and Mark Vinci.

Ed R still needs to look at the solid wood door in the attic so Lisa can get back to the interested party.

NEW BUSINESS – Peter M said the SB should review the Town Hall rental fee schedule.

Peter M went through the SB Folder.

MEMBER CONCERNS/ OTHER BUSINESS

Andy G - None

Brooks S - Trash cans at north end of lake should be considered.

Yvon D- Thanks should go out to the Fire Dept. for a successful, well run BBQ fund raiser.

Peter M - Thanks to the SB and others for Howard's retirement party.

Ask Lisa to warn the next meeting of the Selectboard for August 2, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at the Town Clerk's Office.

At 8:24 p.m. Brook S/Yvon D made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Vote taken, All in Favor, Motion carried.

Minutes submitted by
Sandi Murphy
July 20, 2017.

These minutes are not official until approved at the next selectboard meeting.

These minutes were approved at the August 2, 2017 select board meeting.