

**MINUTES OF THE FRANKLIN SELECTBOARD
MONDAY, JULY 22, 2013 @ 7:00 A.M.
TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE**

Members Present: Peter Magnant, Yvon Dandurand, Andrew Godin and Lisa Larivee-Town Clerk

Guests: Jim Cota, VTTrans District 8

Peter Magnant called the meeting to order at 7:09 a.m. The Pledge of allegiance was said.

Public Comments: None

Dewing Bridge Project:

Pete called this meeting to discuss the bridge proposals and bids that had been received. At the last meeting Munson Earth-Moving was chosen to complete the project. Pete suggests not selecting any contractor as all bids were over the town's budget; we will rebid the project with a change to the scope of work.

Jim advised with all bids over the available funds of the town to do the project all bids can be thrown out and rebid.

Yvon states this project is critical and costing the town money with damages and needs to get done as soon as possible. The board has worked on this project for the best of the town and worked with bids to get an affordable price base.

Jim states bid requests must be followed as written and must be posted to include options as the town requires for all bidders to be advised before bids are submitted. Need to make decisions based on the bid request proposal. The grant process with the state takes time with Montpelier for approval; cannot sign a contract before the grant is approved.

Pete/Yvon made a motion to reject all bids based on being outside of the town's budget and will rebid with a change to the scope of work. All members voted in favor, 3-0, motion passed.

Pete asked Mr. Cota about the intersection at the end of Main St/Lake Rd; could a turnabout be a good idea for this location? Mr. Cota thinks that would make the intersection more dangerous. The board could check with the State Engineers of what they recommend.

Pete/Yvon made a motion to adjourn the meeting. All members voted in favor, motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:03 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lisa Larivee, Town Clerk
July 23, 2013

These minutes are not official until approved at the Select board's next regular meeting. Approved by Selectboard on August 13, 2013