

**MINUTES OF THE FRANKLIN SELECTBOARD
TUESDAY, JULY 24, 2012
TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE**

Members Present: Peter Magnant, Yvon Dandurand, Kyle Lothian, Wayne Laroche, Andy Godin, Lisa Larivee (Town Clerk/Treasurer)

Guests: Jim Carroll, town attorney and Michael D'Giulio, intern

Peter Magnant called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was said. Andy Godin was welcomed as the new member to the board.

Prayer Litigation/Executive Session: Pete/Yvon made a motion to enter executive session at 6:08. All members voted in favor 5-0. Discussion with Jim Carroll, town attorney regarding the prayer litigation. Wayne/Yvon made a motion to exit executive session at 7:55. All members voted in favor 5-0. No action taken. Mr. Carroll exited the meeting.

Dewing Road bridge #15 bids: The Town Clerk handed the bids for the Dewing Shore Rd bridge #15 engineering/design to the selectboard for opening.

- Weston & Sampson - \$24,577
- Green Mt Engineering - \$10,792
- Ruggiano Engineering - \$9,984
- Eckman Engineering - \$12,500
- KAS Inc. - \$9,747
- Dubois & King – did not bid

Wayne will be in to review the bids. He will also speak with Chris Smith from VT Fish and Game regarding references/recommendations. The board will award the project at the next regular board meeting.

Better Back Roads grant: The grant for the Dewing Shore Rd to repair erosion must be used on the project as applied for. The board was inquiring if the funds could be used for the culvert/bridge work.

VTrans culvert Route 120: Jim Cota from VTrans has called and advised the town clerk that they will be replacing the culvert on Rte 120/Main St adjacent to the Tardiff residence. They inquired about replacing the sidewalk at the town's expense or just leaving it gravel. The board advised we are working on a grant for sidewalks on Main Street so they may leave it gravel for now.

Homestead sidewalk bridge: The bridge on the sidewalk to the Homestead has been closed off due to disrepair and being a hazard. The bridge is located on town property but was not erected by the town, the selectboard wants to work with the other parties involved to get it repaired. Kyle has spoken with Franklin Telephone and Lisa will invite Bob Mays of the Homestead Board to the next meeting on August 14.

Generator: The school generator had been inspected and serviced in the past by Milton Cat. The cost for this service has become excessive. The board opted to hire a local person to do the service/inspection. Dana Stetson is willing to do the work and will need to be certified by the Division of Fire Safety with the state do be able to do the state inspection. Lisa will get Dana the application for the state certification.

Lisa thanked and exited the meeting.

Town Beach-Dock: Wayne/Yvon made a motion to enter executive session at 8:18 to discuss the letter that was received from Mr. Larose's attorney regarding his dock that has been installed on the town beach. All members voted in favor 5-0. Kyle/Andy made the motion to exit executive session at 8:33. All members voted in favor 5-0. No action taken.

Wayne/Andy made a motion to adjourn the meeting. All members voted in favor 5-0, motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:34 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lisa Larivee, Town Clerk
July 25, 2012

These minutes are not official until approved at the Select board's next regular meeting. Select board approved on August 14, 2012.