

**MINUTES OF THE FRANKLIN SELECTBOARD
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2015 @ 7:00 P.M.
TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE**

Members Present: Peter Magnant, Yvon Dandurand, Brooks Sturtevant, Ed Rainville, Andy Godin, Lisa Larivee, Town Clerk/Treasurer.

Guests: Marc Vinci, Kim Gates Maynard

Peter called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m., pledge of allegiance was said.

Agenda amendments:

Add to town clerk: Town hall painting update.

All members voted in favor, 5-0 approved.

Public Comments: Marc advised of the cement work at the church for their sidewalk extension.

Minutes:

The minutes of November 4 were reviewed. Minor changes/corrections were made. Brooks/Yvon made the motion to approve the minutes of Nov 4, 2015. Vote taken, 5-0, all in favor.

Town Clerk concerns:

- **Town hall:** Marc updated the board on the status of the painting; most is done on the two sides, the sign will be finished this fall will approval of the board on colors to be painted; board ok with.
- **Brick work/pillars:** The brick repair has been done behind the pillars. The bases are done and will be brought to the garage by Ed. Marc advised he should be done with painting of the pillars by the weekend. The board will reinstall the pillars with the time capsule on Saturday, November 28th at noon.
- **Time capsule:** Kim brought in stuff that she had gathered for the time capsule from around town. The board discussed ideas of other town things to include and how to encapsulate it all.

Review and Sign bills: Bills were reviewed and signed. Discussed the Pidgeon Hill project final cost of \$187,014 and grant submission for 90% of cost; town match is 10%.

Budget Review and preparations: Reviewed general budget lines for FY17.

Need to price out ends for sand shed; discuss paving projects; snow removal equipment to share with the school. The board will continue with budget review at the next meeting, Dec 1st.

Old Business: Park & ride: Ed will work with Lisa to draft a letter to VTrans regarding the boards position on the closure.

New Business: Highway Dept/Water District-discussion about the highway crew assisting the water district with projects. Ed states we must be diligent about keeping the expenses separate for the two entities. If the highway crew works for the water district they need to be paid from such; equipment costs reimbursed as well. The water district must pay expenses for shared resources. Lisa will check with other towns that share resources about how they segregate costs. Need to have further discussion with the water district to draft an agreement of share resources. The highway crew can assist on an emergency basis when available to the water district and be charged for labor and equipment use. Maybe do an article for town meeting regarding shared resources for voter input.

Water district loan docs: The loan documents from the Drinking Water State Revolving Loan Fund (DWSRF) were reviewed; borrowing \$7544 as a planning loan for the upgrades to the water system that are being required by the State. Funds will be used for the engineering of the upgrades. It 0% interest, repayment begins 2020 for 5 years. Yvon/Ed made a motion to approve the DWSRF in the amount of \$7544. All voted in favor, 5-0, motion passed.

Selectboard folder: Weed harvester shipping docs to return the motor to Canada/Aquamarine.

Member Concerns:

-Ed has spoken with Mr. Boudreau regarding grading recommendations.

-Andy has seen discussion regarding class 4 roads from another town.

-Brooks advised they had a school facility meeting recently regarding Act 46. There will be a public forum in Highgate on December 9th and one in Franklin on January 5th. The board discussed the changes and loss of control with our local board that would affect Franklin.

-Pete asked about grader school for Jeremy to attend; Lisa will check into dates. Highway Dept needs to remove the leaves from the curb/drainage areas on Square Rd before they freeze over. Would like to change the time to start town meeting to 9:00 am to get more business done before lunch, as a lot of people leave at that time. Lisa will check with the Elections division about making that change.

Next regular select board meeting will be Tuesday, December 1st at 7:00 pm.
Next water commissioner meeting will be Monday, December 14th at 6:00 p.m.

Brooks/Yvon made a motion to adjourn at 9:42 p.m. All members voted in favor, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lisa Larivee, Town Clerk
November 19, 2015

These minutes are not official until approved at the Select board's next regular meeting.

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