

Town of Corinth
Board of Selectmen
P.O. Box 461
Corinth, Vermont 05039

Unapproved Minutes of the Regular Meeting February 11, 2013
7 p.m. at the Town Hall

Attending for the Board: Allen Locke, Chairman; Chris Groschner; Susanne Smith.

Others attending: Susan Fortunati, Treasurer; Frank Roderick, Road Commissioner; Ryan Dodge, resident; and Holly Groschner for Lynn Sciortino, Board Clerk.

1. Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m.

2. Approval of minutes of previous meeting: The Select Board reviewed and approved the February 5, 2013 minutes (financial meeting), January 14, 2013 (regular meeting), and January 24, 2013 (special meeting). Moved to approve: Susanne Smith, seconded Chris Groschner. Unanimous.

3. Public concerns: Susan Fortunati presented a letter regarding the under-representation of the Republican Party on the Board of Civil Authority signed by Robert Fortunati, Brenda Carter, Earl Adams and Kim Remillard, members of the Republican Party, and requesting the addition of Susan Fortunati, a member of the Republican Party, for participation in elections. Review of 17 VSA 2143(a). Susanne Smith moved to appoint Susan Fortunati to the Board of Civil Authority as a Republican for election purposes until such time that the BCA achieves three Republican members by election. Chris Groschner seconded. Unanimous.

4. Reports

- Clerk: No report.
- Treasurer: Fortunati explained issues regarding fixed asset and useful life designations, and discussions with the auditor. Fortunati is establishing uniform standards for useful life of town equipment and fixed assets. Groschner asked to discuss the Board's response to the County tax bill, which is approximately \$3,000 over the budgeted amount. Discussion regarding available funds in the remaining surplus concluded in agreement to cover the overage without raising the budget to cover the County tax bill. Frank Roderick discussed the extension of a grant of the Open Space Institute to the Town of Corinth for development of the FX Shea Town Forest to June 30, 2013. Fortunati reported that V. Stori has not submitted invoices since June 2012. Susanne Smith moved to accept the extension of the Open Space Institute grant period to June 30, 2013, seconded by Groschner. Unanimous. The Board authorized continued administration of the OSI grant by the Town Forest Committee and requested that V. Stori submit a contract extension coterminous with the grant for consideration of the Board, with a letter of support by the Town Forest Committee.
- Listers: No report.
- Highway Department: Certificate of highway mileage presented for signature. No changes were reported. Board approval of the Highway Mileage Certification for the year ended February 10, 2013, moved by Chris Groschner, seconded by Susanne Smith. Unanimous. Town road and bridge standards update, including changes to erosion control, ditch construction and maintenance, side slope treatments, removing flood levels for culverts, and requirements for state and federal permits. Groschner noted the ability of the Select Board to modify the standards. Roderick agreed to check whether adoption of the updated road and bridge standards makes the Town eligible for greater State or FEMA funding. Motion to approve the 2013 Road and Bridge Standards by the Town commencing February 11, 2013 by Susanne Smith, seconded by Chris Groschner. Unanimous. Roderick requested the Board to authorize posting of the roads for mud season from March 1, 2013 through May 15, 2013. The weight limit during this period is 2 axle 15,000 pounds, 3 axle 18000 pounds, and four thru six axle 20,000 pounds. Groschner moved to adopt the mud season restrictions as proposed, Smith seconded. Unanimous.
- Building Maintenance: No report.

5. Other business: Groschner reported that the former Health Officer has offered to deliver a final report to the Select Board. The Board requested a report on Monday, March 4, 2013. Groschner reported that the Red Cross representative has offered another training program regarding emergency shelters. The Board proposed that the representative come to the Town Hall to make a presentation and to discuss a contract, and requested that the Hall facility manager be present, at the

April 8, 2013 meeting. Groschner reported a discussion with David Danforth of the Fire Department regarding the development of a facility on donated land. Smith reported that she would like to continue as second alternate to the Northeast Solid Waste District, and recommended that the Board of Selectmen have a representative. Ryan Dodge presented the Planning Commission's proposal for the establishment of a Facebook page for the Town of Corinth. The Board supports the initiative to establish a Facebook page, as an unofficial source of town information, and welcomes the Planning Commission's effort to bring it to Town Meeting for discussion and to seek volunteers to administer the page.

6. Review correspondence: No comment.

The Chair noted that tonight is Susanne Smith's last regular meeting on the Board of Selectmen.

7. Adjourn: Groschner moved to adjourn. Smith seconded. The meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.