

Town of Corinth
Unapproved Minutes of the Regular Selectboard Meeting
August 10, 2015

Attending for the Board: Chris Groschner, Chairman; Russ Pazdro; Steve Long.
Others Attending: Frank Roderick, Road Commissioner; Joyce McKeeman, NEKWMD Supervisor; Dan Wing; Dina Dubois; Suzanne Opton; Lynn Sciortino, Board Clerk.

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Long moved to approve the minutes of the July 13, 2015 Regular Selectboard Meeting, the July 27, 2015 Emergency Meeting and the August 4, 2015 Financial Meeting. Groschner seconded. Motion passed.

Change To Agenda

Groschner moved to reassign #5 Highway Concerns to the #9 position. Pazdro seconded. Motion passed.

Waste Management Report

Joyce McKeeman, Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District Supervisor for Corinth, reported that clarification was needed on what items can be accepted under the expanded recycling program. She will print a list of acceptable items and update the attendants at the Transfer Station. McKeeman explained that more provisions of Vermont's Universal Recycling Law (Act 148) went into effect on July 1, 2015. A poster showing the items that can not be put in the landfill will be posted at the Town Hall and at the Transfer Station.

Public Concerns

Dan Wing requested that the Selectmen change the yield sign to a stop sign at the intersection of Brook Road and Cookeville Road. He stated that this is a very dangerous intersection and there have been numerous incidents recently. Groschner and Long both mentioned near misses that they had been involved in at that intersection. The Board agreed to look into changing the sign. Pazdro will check with state requirements as this would mean changes to the Corinth Highway Ordinance.

Change To Agenda

Pazdro moved to address #9 Town Hall Septic Plan next. Groschner seconded. Motion passed.

Town Hall Septic Plan

Long presented the draft plan of a new Town Hall septic system. The plan was produced by Dan Carter, licensed by the VT Dept. of Environmental Conservation. The Board and the public discussed the proposed plan. The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m. to make a site visit. The meeting reconvened at 7:55 p.m. Questions and concerns were addressed. More information is needed regarding the location of two nearby wells, those of Blythedale Farm and Joan Curley. The town will purchase the plan from Dan Carter, obtain several bids to determine the cost of the project and bring that information to the budget meetings in November.

Fire Station Update

Groschner acknowledged the dedication of the Corinth volunteer firefighters and expressed appreciation for their years of service to the town. The Board discussed outstanding concerns and possible solutions. In support of the firefighters' efforts to create a new municipal fire station, the Board agreed to formulate a plan to move forward and to communicate that in a letter to the fire chief.

Appointment of Building Inspector for Dilapidated Buildings Ordinance

Two names were submitted for consideration. Both are outside contractors who work for other towns. Groschner will contact them to gather information about their services and pricing. He will report back to the Board.

Municipal Planning Grant

Long reported that the Planning Commission would like to apply for this grant and use the funds for assistance in rewriting the Town Plan. Two Rivers would like to meet with the Selectmen regarding the grant. It was agreed to put them on the agenda for September 14th.

Flood Bylaws Construction Form

Long reported that he had met with the Planning Commission and the Administrative Officer to create the form. Pazdro moved to adopt the Construction Notification Form as presented. Groschner seconded. Motion passed. Long noted that the Administrative Officer will need this form filled out for all construction in Corinth, but that permits will only be required for construction that is planned on properties located in the Flood Hazard Areas. Long will contact Anne McKinsey to set up a separate email account for the Administrative Officer.

Road Commissioner / Highway Concerns

Roderick addressed the stop sign issue raised earlier by stating that to change a yield sign to a stop sign would not require a traffic study. It would require a change to the Town of Corinth Stop Sign Ordinance. The board will write up the change to the ordinance and consider it for adoption. Roderick next reported on the work at the intersection of Miller Road and Brook Road and the work on the Chicken Farm Bridge.

Roderick presented information on a new computer for the Town Garage. The Board agreed to purchase the computer from Competitive Computers at a cost of \$799 from previously budgeted funds.

Long informed the Board of a concern involving water in a resident's driveway. After discussion, Long agreed to visit the site with the Road Foreman.

Other Business

Groschner, acting as Corinth Health Officer, submitted a report to the other board members, acting as the Corinth Board of Health.

Committees

The Town Report Committee will meet the last week in August. Anne McKinsey will replace Amy Peberdy on the committee. Sciortino will contact other possible members. The Board agreed to pay McKinsey for her services and noted a need to create a fund for outside services at the budget meetings in November.

The Board acknowledged the resignation of Gabe Zoerheide from the Conservation Commission.

The Town Forest Committee's plan with the county forester is nearly complete and will be submitted to the Selectboard soon. When the Town Forest Committee dissolves, some of its members will join the Conservation Commission.

Correspondence

The Board received notification that the Health Officer's term expires August 31, 2015.

No new names were presented for this position.

The Board received the proposed Chelsea Town Plan to review.

The Board received notice of Two Rivers Regional Plan Public Hearing.

The Board reviewed remaining correspondence.

Test Emergency Lights and fire Extinguishers

The Board checked and found all to be working properly.

Groschner moved to adjourn. Long seconded.

The meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.