

# Town of Corinth Selectboard Unapproved Minutes

July 11, 2016

Town Hall, Cookeville 7:00 p.m.

Attending for the Board: Chris Groschner, Chairman; Steve Long; Hal Drury  
Others attending: Lillian Gahagan, Journal-Opinion; Frank Roderick, Road Commissioner; Susan Fortunati, Town Treasurer; Ed Pospisil, Fire Chief; Tim Moore, Fire Department; Joe Blodgett, Road Foreman; Carolina Diaz, Board Clerk; and visitors Katie Southworth, Chris Doyle, Virginia Barlow, Marian Cawley, Anne McKinsey.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

Groschner moved to change the agenda to give time for Fortunati, Town Treasurer. Long second. Motion passed. Fortunati presented the board with bills to approve and sign for the fiscal year end.

## Approval of the Minutes

Long offered corrections to the minutes for the June 7th meeting. He suggested adding "term ending on 2020" in the Town Forest section to define the terms on the Conservation Commission for Dina Dubois and Kevin Eaton. Groschner second. Motion passed.

Long suggested to add Irene Miller's last name to the Correspondence section. With those corrections, Long moved to approve the minutes of the Selectboard Meeting on June 7<sup>th</sup> and approve the SB Meeting Minutes of the financial meeting on July 5<sup>th</sup>. Groschner second. Motion passed.

## Public Concerns – None

### Town Forest

Town Forest Management Plan is available in the Town website. Long thanked the Town Forest Committee on the wonderful job they did with the Town Forest Management Plan.

Several citizens suggested that motorized biking and horseback riding be allowed in the forest. Members of the Town Forest Committee explained that the plan restricted them because of concerns about liability and maintenance, but they didn't object to changing that policy. Long moves to amend the document and remove the restriction on mountain bikes and horseback riding. Drury second. Motion passed.

Long made a motion to amend the plan and change any reference to "Town Forest Committee" as the manager of the forest to Conservation Commission. Conservation Commission is in charge of managing the forest. Drury second. Motion passed.

### Fire Station

Drury suggested that he meet with the Town Treasurer to see if there is surplus funding available for the Fire Station plans. Construction drawings will cost \$32,000. With the construction plans, Morton Builders, will present a final budget. Tim Moore urged the board to move on this to keep the process moving forward. The Board will need to present the final budget to the public for their approval. Drury made a motion if \$32,000 is available from the surplus, the Selectboard recommends to pay Morton Builders to complete a full set of construction drawings for the new building. Long second. Motion passed.

### Dilapidated Building

Drury says there has been progress at the 657 Village Rd. building. The owners say they have plans to close in the first floor, and then will close the hole on the street side of the building after finishing the

foundation. Groschner reported that we have not been able to get a call back from the Agency of natural Resources regarding its findings on the legality of the septic system.. Long mentioned that Twin Pine Housing, a non-profit organization, probably has a staff to do inspections, and suggested we might ask their assistance if the Building Safety Officer conducts an inspection.

Groschner will speak with town attorney to see what it will take to change the name of the ordinance to Building Safety Ordinance from Dilapidated Building Ordinance.

At the Cookeville property, Sara Woods, the owner, has been able to take sole possession of property and has two parties interested in purchasing the building as is, before a cleanup.

#### Road Commissions report /Hwy. Concerns

Blodgett received bids for the 2010 550 Truck from Gateway for \$12,000 and another bidder for \$16,200. Roderick suggested to sell for \$16,200. Yearly payment for the new truck is \$19,000. Long moves to sell the truck for \$16,200 and put the money towards the payment of the new truck. Groschner seconds. Motion passed.

Blodgett will speak with the owner of the property across from the transfer station about discontinuing Town use of the property for temporary storage of fill Board suggests to take everything out and leave property in good condition, thank the property owner for the use of the property. Board suggested for Blodgett to look into the old town dump on Brook Road to see if it could be approved for storage of dirt and other materials.

Blodgett received two grants. A \$13,000 grant will be used to change the culvert and fix erosion on Coppermine Road. The Planning grant of \$5,300 will be for an erosion plan.

Blodgett will look into painting the road where the stop sign was added on Cookeville Road and Brook Road.

Roderick spoke with Lee Porter about replacing him as Road Commissioner when he is ready to step down. Roderick will go over any changes.

#### Committees

Town Forest committee dissolved. The Conservation Commission will do trail maintenance in the fall. Dick Kelly from the Planning Commission requested to add his son, Zachary Kelly, to fill in the PC unexpired term of Susanne Smith. Long moves to appoint Zachary Kelly to fill in the PC unexpired term of Susanne Smith until March 2018. Drury seconds. All in favor.

Groschner reported that he spoke with Russ Pazdro to fill an opening on the Board of Adjustment and he accepted.

#### Correspondence

Casellas correspondence about adjusting rate change. The current rate is as follows: 15 gl at \$1.67, 30gl at \$3.30, 45gl at \$5.00.

#### Other business – None

#### Test emergency lighting and fire extinguishers

The board checked and found all to be in working properly.

Groschner moved to adjourn. Drury second.

Meeting adjourn at 8:50.