

Town of Corinth  
Board of Selectmen  
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Unapproved Minutes of the Select Board Meeting  
June 11, 2018

Attending for the Board: Chris Groschner, Steve Long, Hal Drury  
Catherine Tudish, select board clerk

Others attending: Lee Porter, road commissioner; Joe Blodgett, road crew foreman; Norm Patenaude, representing Pike Industries; Carl Demrow; Andrea Wilkins

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes of select board meeting of May 8, 2018 were amended prior to approval. Minutes of financial meeting of June 5, 2018 were approved.

Road Commissioner's Report/Highway Concerns

Porter said the road crew restored a section of the Christman property adjacent to the road in West Corinth affected by storm damage. Mr. Christman sent a letter to the select board and the road crew, thanking them for the excellent job.

Porter said a resident on Hazlett Road complained of piled up items blocking right of way to her property and interfering with sale of the property. Porter spoke to the person responsible for the blockage and reported that most has been cleared away and the right of way is open again.

Blodgett presented quotes for paving a section of Goose Green Road from Pike Industries and Blacktop. Blodgett recommended using Pike Industries, as their bid came in lower. If accepted right away, the price would be locked in.

Long moved that the select board accept Pike Industries, Drury seconded. The motion passed, and the board signed the contract.

Blodgett presented a permit form from the state Watershed Management Division for the Corinth town road crew to continue doing road maintenance. The cost of the permit is \$640 for the year. The form was signed by the select board and returned to Blodgett.

Blodgett reported that the town will get a grant of \$19,500 as part of a state pilot project to fund critical areas of road maintenance, primarily areas potentially affecting the watershed.

Groschner raised the issue of tick prevention and asked if the road crew was using tick repellent.

Long recommended work pants treated with permethrin as effective.

Blodgett said he would be sure the crew was using an effective repellent.

Porter said he met with Jerry Andrew and Michael Ray on Wilson Road. They are providing money for grading materials for road improvement. Porter stressed that the materials were not being used on their private driveways, but on the road.

Blodgett reported that the state is sending a consultant to East Corinth later in the summer to inspect culverts to determine what is going into the river. He asked that the select board post notification to alert citizens when this will occur. Groschner suggested putting a notice in the town newsletter and the Journal Opinion.

Blodgett brought up the issue of a resident of East Corinth throwing debris in the road. Groschner asked Porter to visit the person responsible and ask him to stop.

Fire Station

Groschner reported that the select board has received a petition calling for a re-vote on the bond for the new fire station. The vote must take place within 60 days, with an information session to be held 5-10 days in advance. Accordingly, the date for the vote was set for Tuesday, July 24, with an information session to be held on July 17 at 7PM at the Town Hall.

Long noted that the bond vote notice would have to come out July 4, 11, and 18 in the Journal Opinion and posted in 5 public locations around town.

Drury said he would put the site plan in the Town Hall vault, where the other construction plans are stored.

#### Changes to Zoning Board of Adjustment

Karen Galayda had asked to have all Planning Commission members on the Zoning Board of Adjustment. Long moved to increase the size of that board from 3 to 9 members. Groschner seconded, and the motion passed.

Long moved to add the following Planning Commission members to the Zoning Board of Adjustment: Dick Kelley, Kerry DeWolfe, Nick Kramer, Kenya Lazuli, Patricia Rizzo, and Anne Little. Groschner seconded, and the motion passed.

#### Correspondence

The select board received a letter from Vermont Appraisal Company answering Dan Richardson's letter regarding the listers' concern that the town had not gotten a complete appraisal. Vermont Appraisal Company expressed a willingness to meet with the select board and the board of listers to discuss. A meeting will be scheduled.

Efficiency Vermont sent a letter notifying local businesses of energy efficient opportunities. Groschner will ask Nancy Ertle to put a notice in the town newsletter.

Maxine Slack submitted a letter of resignation from the Zoning Board of Adjustment. The select board accepted her resignation with regret and appreciation for her service.

Drury moved to adjourn, Long seconded, and the meeting adjourned at 8:25 PM.