

Approved May 5, 2015

TOWN OF CORNWALL
SELECT BOARD REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 21, 2015

PRESENT: Ben Wood, Dave Sears, Magna Dodge, John Roberts

ALSO PRESENT: Luke Jerome, Tim Bouton, Kate Gieges, Rodney Cadoret, Stu Johnson

Call to Order – 7:00 pm

AGENDA – Dave MOVED/ Magna SECONDED a motion to amend the agenda as follows:

- addition of discussion with Delinquent Tax Collector, Rodney Cadoret;
- re-order NEW BUSINESS before OLD BUSINESS.

MOTION PASSED – 4 in favor, 0 opposed.

General Fund and Highway Orders - *signed*

MINUTES

March 24, 2015 – John MOVED / Magna SECONDED a motion to approve the minutes as distributed. MOTION PASSED – 4 in favor, 0 opposed

April 7, 2015 - Dave MOVED /John SECONDED a motion to approve the minutes as distributed. MOTION PASSED – 4 in favor, 0 opposed.

CORRESPONDENCE REVIEW

- Thank you note from students of the Aurora School
- Notice of Vermont League of Cities and Towns educational workshop for Delinquent Tax Collectors May 20
- Request from Two Brothers to apply for permit to cater wine and beer at an event on May 23, 2015 at Glendale Farm, Cider Mill Road. Dave MOVED/ Magna SECONDED a motion to approve the request. MOTION PASSED.

PUBLIC COMMENTS - none

TOWN CLERK / TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT – none

ROAD COMMISSIONER'S REPORT – Stu Johnson

- State grant application to assist with paving costs on South Bingham (south end) and Park Hill Road has been preliminarily approved, awaiting final approval.
- Vermont Annual Equipment Fair is scheduled for May 13 – Stu will attend.
- Stu will attend a Vermont AOT Better Back Roads workshop on April 22

NEW BUSINESS

- *Town of Cornwall, Single Jurisdiction All Hazards Mitigation Plan.*
Tim Boutin, Addison County Regional Planning Commission (ACRPC) emergency planner, presented and discussed the Plan with the Select Board, including feedback from FEMA after FEMA review of the Draft.

Local governments are required to develop a FEMA-approved local hazard mitigation plan as a condition for receiving FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) and Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) grants.

FEMA grants can cover 75% of costs. The remaining 25% not covered by FEMA can be split 50/50 with the State providing the Town has the following in place:

1. Up-to-date approved local emergency operations plan;
2. Codes and standards adopted;
3. Membership in the National Flood Insurance Program;
4. Hazards Mitigation Plan for the Town

5th criteria - If the Town also prohibits encroachment into the mapped flood plan and/ or the river corridor, the State will cover a higher percentage of the costs not covered by FEMA.

Mr. Boutin will incorporate FEMA feedback into the final draft, and will bring back for Select Board approval. He has made the document publically available on the Cornwall and ACRPC websites, inviting public comments. Once the Hazards Mitigation Plan is in place, Cornwall will have met the four criteria listed above.

- *Local Emergency Operations Plan*
Kate Gieges presented/discussed the updated Local Emergency Operations Plan for Cornwall covering the period of May 1, 2015 – April 30, 2016. Ben Wood signed the Plan on behalf of the Town. Kate will provide each Select Board member with a copy of the Plan.

The Local Emergency Operations Plan is not a public document. It contains confidential information and is for official use only. If citizens want to see a template for such plans, it is available online.

- *Delinquent Taxes, Discussion with Rodney Cadoret, Delinquent Tax Collector*
Mr. Cadoret reviewed the policies and procedures regarding notices and collection of delinquent taxes with the Select Board. The Select Board invited Mr. Cadoret to come to the next meeting in May to continue discussion.

OLD BUSINESS

- *911 signage*– the board discussed the scope of the problem and possible solutions. John R. will follow up with the Town Clerk in Shoreham regarding that Town's source for the green reflective signs.
- *Salt issue* – the board continued to discuss legal issues, what the permits require, costs, alternate systems to get water to the affected houses. Additional information will be obtained and the salt issue discussion continued at a future meeting.
- John MOVED/ Magna SECONDED a motion to adjourn the meeting.
MOTION PASSED.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:56 pm

Respectfully submitted, Sharon Tierra, Clerk of the Select Board