

**TOWN OF CORNWALL
SELECT BOARD MEETING
Tuesday, May 4, 2010
7:00PM**

PRESENT: Bruce Hiland, Joe Severy, Mike Quesnel, Judy Watts, Nancy Kemp

ALSO PRESENT: Stu Johnson, Sue Johnson

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Bruce Hiland

GENERAL FUND AND HIGHWAY ORDERS

- The General Fund and Highway Orders were signed.

MINUTES

- Mike moved/Judy seconded to approve the minutes of April 20, 2010 as presented. The motion carried on voice vote.

CORRESPONDENCE REVIEW

- Invitation for Board representation at a Community Advisory Board meeting being held at the Vermont State Police barracks by Lt. Genova, Barracks Commander, on May 24 at 6:30pm. Sue indicated an interest in attending.

ROAD COMMISSIONER'S REPORT - Stu

- Road crew is about three weeks ahead of schedule at this point; roads have been scraped and chlorided;
- Stu feels that the applied for paving grants are unlikely to come through as others who applied have received notice of their awards, while he has had no response to-date.

TOWN CLERK'S/TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT—Sue

- **The quarterly water testing** was done in March, Dave Anderson reported that levels were well below standards.
- **The newsletter appeal** for grant writing assistance brought a reply from Sarah Miner. She offers her expertise as needed.
- **Delinquent dog-owners**—Sue gave the Board a letter to be sent to owners of unlicensed dogs; Board signed.

- **Delinquent Taxes**—Sue gave the Board the delinquent tax list; it is ready to send on to Rodney Cadoret, Delinquent Tax Collector; several properties face tax sale if owed taxes remain unpaid after May 15.

OLD BUSINESS

- Board ran down list of open positions for Town Officers, reporting on responses from residents approached for specific positions. Several offices are unfilled elected positions that need appointments, others are annually appointed. Joe moved/Nancy seconded, that the Board accept all the named nominees for as appointed. Motion passed.
- **Sheriff Patrols**—Board discussed the possible locations they had each determined as needing patrol, and certain exceptionally busy times when patrols might be beefed up. Bruce will get in touch with Jim Coombs.
- **Regional Planning Followup**—No word yet from Elizabeth about the By-Ways.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Health Officer Report**—Board reviewed letter the Health Officer wrote to the owner of the Tilden Property regarding complaints received; Board will wait thirty days for a response before taking further action.
- **Areas of Oversight**—Bruce suggested that the Board consider defining several areas of oversight regarding town business that could be divided among the various Board members. Each member would have authority financial authority to remedy a situation falling under their oversight without having to call the Board together for full approval. Suggestion made that an upper limit be placed on the authority. Members will consider the idea for later action.
- **The School Board** has been invited to a Selectboard meeting. The purpose being to keep an open dialog between the two groups.
- **Emergency Management**—Kate Gieges will be at the next meeting (May 18) to discuss Emergency Management, the generator grant, the town's emergency plan, and any other issues of Board interest.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:04pm

Respectfully submitted,

Robin Conway, Substitute Minute-Taker