



**TOWN OF CORNWALL
SELECT BOARD MEETING
Tuesday, July 7, 2009**

PRESENT: Joe Severy, Nancy Kemp, Mike Quesnel

ALSO PRESENT: Sue Johnson, Mike Brinkman, Colin Davis, Denny Burnham

The meeting was called to order at 7:05pm

The General Fund and Highway Orders were signed. The reconciled June bank statement was reviewed.

MINUTES

It was moved/seconded to approve the minutes of the June 16, 2009 meeting as written. The motion carried on voice vote.

CORRESPONDENCE (none to review)

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT – Sue Johnson

- Road Commissioner Stu Johnson sent word that he has nothing new to report at this time.
- The Town received a copy of the liability insurance for Pleasant Hill Farm covering farm stand operations in the shed of the old Lavalley store next to the Town Hall.
- Sue J described the method by which she will determine how much Mike Merrill will owe the Town for electricity used to operate the farm stand. After she compares two months of usage this year to the same time period last year, she will send Mr. Merrill a bill.
- Harold Adams, member of the American Legion in Brandon has requested the Town Clerk's assistance in identifying veterans who might wish to join that organization. Sue J. does not have this type of information. It was suggested that Sue J. could let him know that she could put a blurb in the town newsletter for him.
- Thursday evening July 9 begins the Board of Civil Authority tax appeal hearing. The hearing will be continued to July 23, when evidence will be presented. On July 9, the Town Clerk will review procedural rules, so that all parties clearly understand how the hearing will proceed.
- Sue J. sent a copy of the Ledgemont Lane discontinuance resolution to Wanda Murray.

NEW BUSINESS

Central Cemetary

Mike Brinkman, Colin Davis, and Denny Burnham presented information about a drainage problem at the Central Cemetery. This is a matter outside the purview

of the Select Board. The board suggested to Colin D. that he contact Andrew Peet, head of the Central Cemetery committee.

ACRPC Scenic by-way Request

There will be a hearing on July 14 at 6:30pm at the ACRPC office regarding the Route 30 scenic by-way application. ACRPC has requested that someone from Cornwall attend this hearing and that the Select Board write a letter reaffirming support of this project. It was decided that since the Select Board sent a letter of support for the project in 2005, ACRPC has a copy of that letter, and nothing has changed, a reaffirmation letter was not necessary..

Town Hall Basement Fix-up

The Town Hall basement needs work. Joe S. and Mike Q. have inspected. Drainage is good. Lolly columns, that were new in 1982, are badly rusted at the base. A lot of handwork with a wheelbarrow will be required. The dirt floor needs to be dug down to the normal grade of the door. Dirt needs to be dug away from the piers. The basement needs louvers to get air to pass through. Mike Q. will talk to Mike Ringey about doing the job on an hourly basis up to a set amount.

Bike Path Update

Adam Lougee asked Joe S. to have the Town of Cornwall send a request to Town of Middlebury for financial support for the bike path. Further action on this matter will be tabled until the next meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS

Thermostat

Nancy Kemp is concerned about the heat. Nancy has observed that the thermostat is always set at 70, no matter what day and time it is. The thermostat is programmable, with two zones. Mike Q. suggested that we have John McIntyre come talk to us about it.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Sharon Tierra, Clerk of the Select Board