

Approved October 2, 2012

**TOWN OF CORNWALL
SELECT BOARD MEETING
Cornwall Town Office
Tuesday, September 18, 2012**

Present: Bruce Hiland, Judy Watts, Dave Sears, Abi Sessions,
Stu Johnson, Sue Johnson

Absent: Ben Wood

Meeting called to order—7:00 pm

General fund and highway orders—*signed*

MINUTES

September 4 Meeting—Dave MOVED/Judy SECONDED a motion to approve the minutes as presented. *Motion passed.*

CORRESPONDENCE REVIEW

- **Noise Ordinance?**—A Lemon Fair Road resident who had complained to Middlebury PD about noise from 2 local wind turbines was referred to Cornwall Town Hall. They were advised that Cornwall has no noise ordinance, and inquiries regarding permits should be addressed to the State.
- **EEE Mosquito Spraying**—State advises a 50% kill from the mosquito spraying in Whiting/Cornwall on September 6 and 7. News reports indicate death of the second EEE victim.
- **Habitat For Humanity**—There appears to be a problem finding owner-candidates who meet the requirements for Habitat housing.
- **Radar**—Darryl Benoit questioned if Cornwall would deploy units if result showed a 5-mph decrease in speed levels in the area monitored. Adam Lougee noted that he would be interested in hosting a Selectboard Forum, possibly just Chairs, radar/speed issues on agenda. Bruce will suggest a consortium of 3 or 4 surrounding towns purchase speed control signs; towns to talk directly rather than in a forum setting.

PUBLIC COMMENT—None

TOWN CLERK/TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT—Sue Johnson

- **Meetings**—Sue will be attending a Health Officers meeting with Dave Anderson; the Annual Municipal Clerks' and Treasurers' meeting will be in Killington next week, Sue plans to attend.
- **VMCT Advisory Board**—Sue advised she had indicated to the VMCT that she would be interested in volunteering for the Addison County Chairmanship position.

ROAD COMMISSIONER'S REPORT – Stu Johnson

- **Salt Mitigation**—Per Dave Anderson, no assistance from the State is available. Stu called in Spafford, tank was flushed, shocked, various repairs made; existing pump may need replacement before too long, its recovery time is too slow. Primary issue for much of problem lies with iron bacteria. There is a possibility other options than continually replacing pumps may be available. Direction is needed as to which option(s) to investigate
- **Paving** in front of Sand/Salt Shed has been done.
- Some of the roofing from the old fire shed has been salvaged for use on the new pole barn.
- **Security**—becoming a concern at the Town Shed; a series of recent thefts in area towns indicates a need to begin considering what action(s) may be feasible.
- **Transportation Network Training (TNT)**—Anticipated benefits from this new organization not to be quite as hoped for. Rather than a flat annual fee per town for all offerings, they have opted for individual contracts with each town, plus various add-on costs
- Clark Road issue appears to be resolved.

OLD BUSINESS

- **Delinquent Taxes**—The delinquent trailer tax issue is a civil issue; it was noted that up to 15% of the delinquent tax due can be added to the total to cover attorney and collection fees.
- **MPG Request**—Conservation Commission has started the application process.
- **LaValley House**—Subcommittee has begun meeting

NEW BUSINESS

- **Lister**—Listers have recommended Liam English. Judy MOVED, Dave SECONDED, that the Board appoint Liam English to fill the unexpired Lister term. *Motion passed.*
- **Lemon Fair Insect Control District**—Dave MOVED, Judy SECONDED, that the Board appoint Raph Worrick to the LFICD. *Motion passed.*

OTHER BUSINESS

- **October 17**—Tour of town buildings for consideration of capital improvements.
- **November 6**—Selectboard meeting canceled because of elections.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm.

Next meeting: Tuesday, October 2, 7pm

Respectfully submitted,
Robin Conway, Substitute Minute-Taker