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CORNWALL SELECT BOARD

Cornwall Town Hall
September 19, 2017

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ben Marks, Brian Kemp, Magna Dodge

ALSO PRESENT: Sue Johnson; Mike Sunderland; Sheriff Don Keeler Jr., Addison County Sheriff's Department; Lt. Peter Newton, Patrol Division, Detective

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm
Quorum - established

AGENDA

Magna D. MOVED / Brian K. SECONDED a motion to approve the agenda as distributed. Motion passed - 3 in favor, 0 opposed.

General Fund and Highway Orders - signed
Report on Reconciled Bank Statement – reviewed.

MINUTES – September 5, 2017

Magna D. MOVED / Brian K. SECONDED a motion to approve the minutes with one modification: it was Ben M. who will talk with animal control officer. Motion passed – 3 in favor, 0 opposed.

CORRESPONDENCE REVIEW

- Vermont Local Roads newsletter
- Town Health Officer training information from Vermont League of Cities and Towns (VLCT)

PUBLIC COMMENTS - none

TOWN CLERK/ TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT – Sue Johnson

- Sue J. attended the annual meeting of Vermont Municipal Town Clerks and Treasurers. Of special interest and value to her was a presentation on human resources and the municipality.
- Sue J. will be away Oct 16-26. Joan B. will substitute.
- Sue J. plans on attending the VLCT Town Fair on October 5.
- Cornwall will have an Open House at Town Hall, October 7 from 9-3.
- Listers have regular hours on Tuesday mornings.

ROAD FOREMAN'S REPORT - Mike Sunderland

- **Installation of culverts** on West Street, Cider Mill Road and James Road is complete. Pikes will pave over newly installed culverts in about two weeks.
- **Preparing for winter** includes grading, hauling sand, and cleaning culverts.
- **New truck** is working very well.
- **Line striping** - Painting a line down the middle of a road costs 11cents per foot. If lines along each side of road are also painted, cost will triple. Sheriff Keeler commented that research says that a painted center line increases safety, particularly for elderly drivers.

OLD BUSINESS

- **Discussion of study grant for Swamp Road Bridge Replacement** – tabled until the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Animal Control Officer** – the Board discussed the possibility of the need for Animal Control Officer replacement. Ben M. will ask Ben W. to talk with Cornwall's current Animal Control Officer to see if he wants to continue with the job as it is defined.
- **Presentation by Addison County Sheriff's Department** Sheriff Don Keeler explained that his department likes to meet with municipal officers in each of the towns they serve to discuss any issues and answer questions.

Issues discussed included:

- potential benefit of having pole mounted radar in Cornwall, that is portable and can be moved from pole to pole. Some units are made with a solar panel and might be purchased through Addison County Regional Planning Commission.
- Some of signs in Cornwall are beginning to be obscured with brush – Sheriff wanted to make Highway Department aware.
- Sheriff advised that painted “stop bars” should be in place at every stop sign. – Sheriff has a line maker Mike can use, if desired.
- Speeding on Wooster Road. Sheriff asked that the Town notify his department if there is a specific truck of concern.
- Changes to the contract between the Sheriff’s Department and the Town.
- This month Addison County Sheriff’s Department provided 16 hours of service plus 4 free hours (through the Click it or Ticket grant) to Cornwall.
- Ben asked about recent movement in Vermont Legislature to have Towns hire own police force. Sheriff responded that there is a general awareness in the legislature that small towns such as Cornwall do not have the capacity for own police force.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Matter of line striping will be put on the agenda for the next meeting and the concerned citizen(s) who raised the issue will be asked to attend the meeting.

Magna D. MOVED/ Brian K. SECONDED a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed – 3 in favor, 0 opposed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 pm

Submitted by Sharon Tierra, Secretary of the Select Board