

**TOWN OF CORNWALL
SELECT BOARD MEETING
Tuesday, October 6, 2009**

PRESENT: Joe Severy, Bruce Hiland, "T" Tall, Nancy Kemp

ALSO PRESENT: Sue Johnson; Stu Johnson; Katie Gieges; James Apgar; Holly Noordsy; Jeff Noordsy; Bob Gerlin; Sheriff Jim Coons, Lt. Bruce Melendy

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm. The General Fund and Highway Orders were signed. The reconciled September bank statement was reviewed.

MINUTES

It was moved/seconded to approve the minutes of the September 15, 2009 meeting as written. The motion carried on voice vote.

CORRESPONDENCE REVIEW

- Notice that AOT condemned land on Route 125 for bridge construction
- Annual report from the Lemon Fair Insect Control District
- September 9, 2009 inorganic chemistry report from VT Dept of Health Laboratory on levels of chloride and sodium at shed at the town garage.
- Cornwall Historical Society memo on the dispensation of contents of items from Lavalley Store – currently stored in the DAR building

It was moved/seconded that the Select Board supports the Historical Society proceeding in the disposition of the contents of the old Lavalley Store in the manner they deem correct. The motion carried on voice vote.

ROAD COMMISSIONER'S REPORT – Stu Johnson

Stu J said that the plan for the old truck is to sell it, after getting it ready to sell.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT – Sue Johnson, Certified Town Clerk, Certified Town Treasurer

- Bob Burton has appealed all 3 parcels to Vermont Superior Court
- Sue J. represented the Town of Cornwall at the annual meeting of VLCT
- We need contact the Green Up office by November 30 with the name of Cornwall's Green Up Coordinator. Nancy Kemp offered to contact Vanessa Wolff and ask if she is willing to serve another year.
- Cornwall needs a line of credit to ensure sufficient cash flow.

It was moved/seconded to authorize the Town Clerk/Town Treasurer to open a \$200,000 line of credit at 2.5% interest. The motion carried on voice vote.

NEW BUSINESS

Meeting with law enforcement on traffic control issues

The Select Board met with Addison County Sheriff Jim Coons and Lt Melendy of the Vermont State Police to discuss traffic control issues in the Town of Cornwall. The focus of the discussion was a set of questions posed by the Select Board to Sheriff Coons and Lt Melendy. During the informative discussion, Sheriff Coons praised Road Commissioner Stu Johnson for his work on traffic control, such as signage.

Lincoln Partnership/J. Apgar - grand list change request

James Apgar presented his case for a correction to the Grand List on his property on Route 125 under 32 V.S.A. Section 4261. If a correction is made by the listers, it must be made before December 31. The Select Board advised Mr. Apgar to pay his November tax bill "under protest". The Select Board needs more information from the listers, in order to consider this matter under the statute. If the listers do make a correction, Mr. Apgar will receive a credit on his final tax bill.

Pratt/Larocque water test tax bill issue

Pratt and Larocque properties have been assessed at 50% based on an agreement between the Town and property owners established 16 years ago. Water on properties needs to be tested several times in the next year. Water quality determines the continuation or termination of the agreement. Listers need authorization from the Select Board in order to change the current assessment to 50%. It was agreed that Sue J. should ask the Health Officer to take care of the testing.

It was moved/seconded to allow the listers to make corrections in relation to the Pratt and Larocque properties on South Bingham according to 32 V.S.A. Section 4261. The motion carried on voice vote.

OTHER BUSINESS

Emergency planning

Katie Gieges reported that there will be a table top exercise this Thursday night at ACRPC and encouraged Select Board members to attend.

Fuel pre-buy

"T" Tall said that Bob Gerlin recommended that the Town take advantage of a special pre-buy rate with McIntyre. After a discussion of the pros and cons of a pre-buy this year, no decision was made.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Sharon Tierra, Clerk of the Select Board