

Approved December 17, 2013

TOWN OF CORNWALL
SELECT BOARD MEETING
Cornwall Town Office
Tuesday, December 3, 2013

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

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm

General Fund and Highway Orders – *signed*

Reconciled November bank statement - *reviewed*

Bruce Hiland announced an agenda change. The report from the Dog Ordinance Committee will be moved to the December 17 meeting. Joan Lynch will come back to talk about the Greenspace project at a meeting subsequent to Town Meeting.

MINUTES

November 19 meeting – Abi MOVED / Judy SECONDED a motion to approve the minutes as distributed. Motion passed.

CORRESPONDENCE REVIEW

- Invitation from the Assistant Judges of Addison County to a public meeting December 19 to discuss the proposed county budget for 2014-15.
- Letter from Bob Burton – wants to extend terms of tax appeal settlement to the new owners of the property he has sold. Mr. Burton no longer owns this property. The new owners should contact the Listers with any questions about the appraisal on their property.

PUBLIC COMMENTS - none

TOWN CLERK/ TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT – Sue Johnson

- Sue J. will not be at the Dec 17 Selectboard meeting, will convey any information in a written report.
- Christmas week – Town Office will likely be closed.
- *CCC Awarded a Municipal Planning Grant:* The Cornwall Conservation Commission has just received a Municipal Planning Grant. Below is the breakdown:

Total Project Cost: 11,985
State Funds Granted: 10,657
Match Funds: 1,328

According to Marc Lapin, many thanks go out to Mary Dodge and Claire Tebbs at ACRPC who both drafted and submitted the proposal. According to Mary Dodge, not only do they have the funds needed to complete the Inventory, but also money to help document erosion and flooding in the town.

ROAD COMMISSIONER'S REPORT – Stu Johnson

- New truck is being built
- FEMA check from VTrans has been received in the amount of \$5,871 for repairs to Clark Road.
- Salted (brine mix) the blacktop 3 times and sanded once last week. Residual sand will take care of the freezing fog this week.

OLD BUSINESS

- Pipeline Update - Ben Marks
 - The PSB schedule is not yet determined. Once the schedule is set, there will be a public hearing and a deadline for interveners. The Public Service Department will publish a notice of when they are coming to the towns in the newspaper.
 - Ben has distributed a summary of the filing to the board. He will bring an up to date engagement letter to the next meeting and will contact Adam Lougee regarding the Regional Plan.
 - The board discussed how to keep the public informed about the latest pipeline information, Town intervention in the PSB process, and the cost. Abi S. will draft a letter with bulleted points to the public. Board members will email Abi the points.

NEW BUSINESS

- ***FY 2014 - 2015 budget review***
 - Highway budget. Stu discussed road maintenance issues with the board and the budget needed to maintain roads effectively.
 - General fund budget. The board discussed each budget line item with the Town Clerk/Treasurer.

OTHER BUSINESS

- ***Next Meeting:*** At the beginning of the December 17 meeting, the board will meet with the new barracks commander Lt. Michael Manley and Addison County Sheriff Donald Keeler.
- ***Selectboard Positions:*** Judy and Dave's terms are up in 2014. Judy will not be running again. SB members are asked to recruit candidates.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 pm

Respectfully submitted, Sharon Tierra, Clerk of the Selectboard