

**TOWN OF CORNWALL
SELECT BOARD MEETING
Tuesday, October 20, 2009**

PRESENT: Joe Severy, Mike Quesnel, "T" Tall, Bruce Hiland
ALSO PRESENT: Sue Johnson, Stu Johnson, Paul Vico, John Montagne, Sue Burdick

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm

The General Fund and Highway Orders were signed.

MINUTES

It was moved/seconded to approve the minutes of October 6, 2009 meeting as distributed. The motion carried on voice vote.

CORRESPONDANCE REVIEW

- Letter from Agency of Transportation concerning high speed rail
- Letter from Phelps Engineering with a reminder that it has been 2 years since the septic at Town Hall was last pumped. Mike Quesnel will call Clarks and have them take a look at the tank.
- Letter from Cornwall School requesting the use of plot of land adjacent to the School for establishing a school garden. It was moved/seconded to approve this request. The motion carried on voice vote. Joe Severy will notify the School.

ROAD COMMISSIONER'S REPORT – Stu Johnson

The Road Commissioner is ready to sell the old truck. The suggested price range is \$5000-\$7500. The board informed Stu J. that he has full authority to establish the terms of the sale or trade of the old truck.

TOWN CLERK/TREASURER'S REPORT – Sue Johnson

- The tax bills for Pratt and Larocque properties have been revised and sent along with a letter informing the owners about water testing to be done in the coming months. If the tests show they are below the state limit, the agreement will end.
- Alan Cremer, who provided a fine service to the Town as ACRPC Transportation Advisory Committee Representative, has died.
- The Town is now receiving bi- weekly health advisories on the 2009 flu season from the Vermont Department of Health
- Light out front works about 50% of the time. It is not a problem with the bulb. Bruce Hiland will look into this.
- Bruce Payne is doing a great job with animal control.

OLD BUSINESS

Lincoln Partnership/ Apgar - grand list change

The Select Board discussed the matter at length and decided to reaffirm the decision of the Listers.

Follow up discusion on law enforcement/ traffic issues

The traffic count on Route 30 has not been done yet by the Agency of Transportation, but should proceed once the electronic traffic counter arrives. Sue has received information from Lt. Melendy to put in the Town newsletter. Sue J. and Stu J. are checking out prices of types of traffic equipment suggested by Lt Melendy and Sheriff Coons during their meeting with the Select Board.

Personel policy

Sue J. continues to work on this and will report on progress next time.

NEW BUSINESS

Town Administrative Assistant

Considered the possibility of an administrative assistant for the Town, including ideas such as sharing staff with other towns. Bruce H. will check into options and report back.

Payments to the LFICD

Discussed the importance of our obligation to make the payments voted on by the Town at Town Meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS

- Agenda for 2nd meeting in November should include budget planning.
- "T" Tall and Nancy Kemp are up for re-election this coming March. Petitions for the positions are due in January.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Sharon Tierra, Clerk of the Select Board