

MINUTES FROM SEPTEMBER 15, 2008 SELECT BOARD MEETING

Board members present were John Devine, Gene Armstrong, Tom Benoit, Dan Champney and RJ Vallie. Also present was Town Clerk Deborah La Rivière and Lister Jeremy King. The meeting was called to order at 6pm.

RJ moved: "To accept the minutes from September 02, 2008." Gene seconded. There were no corrections or changes. All were in favor, motion passed.

The Board reviewed new work log booklets for the highway department. Jeremy will make two and Dan will meet with Eric later in the week.

Leslie Pelch, CCRPC representative for Bolton met with the Board to bring them up-to-date on the Regional Planning Office. She also gave the Board info on a regional energy initiative. Deb will try and co-ordinate a 'Button-Up' seminar in town.

Deb informed the Board that an expense questioned last month was incorrectly posted and had been fixed.

Time sheets were reviewed.

The Board continued a discussion regarding the Notch Road hill. The highway crew has patched the holes but persistent truck traffic has made this an on-going problem. The Board will be considering raising the weight limit and suspending issuance of over-weight permits. Deb will check in with Robert Fletcher and AOT to see how this can be done.

At this point, members of the Conservation and Planning Commissions joined the meeting. The PC is encouraging the Select Board to reconsider construction of a park and ride. The Board's reluctance continues to be future maintenance costs, issues with safety and disturbance of neighboring residents. The PC ended their discussion by asking that, since this is a transportation issue approved in the town plan, would the Select Board continue to investigate a park and ride, perhaps in a location less likely to aggravate neighbors. The Board agreed to plow the small pull-off at the bottom of the Access Road this winter to see how that works.

The Conservation Commission will return at the October 6 meeting to discuss the trail issues.

The Board signed warrants.

The Board discussed the offer of resident Leigh Sykes to become a Second Constable and attend classes with Gene Armstrong that would allow them to act as a regular law enforcement officer. While the Board is appreciative of the offer, RJ motioned: "To not have any constables with law enforcement authority." John seconded. A letter should be sent to Sykes thanking him for the offer. There was no other discussion, all were in favor, motion passed.

There was no other business to be brought before this board at this time. Gene motioned to end the meeting, seconded by John. The meeting closed at 7: 15 pm.

Attest:

Deborah La Rivière, Town Clerk

Minutes are unofficial until approved. These minutes were read and approved by the Bolton Select Board on October 06, 2008.
_____ For the Board.

