

## MINUTES FROM THE JULY 06, 2009 SELECT BOARD MEETING

Board members present were John Devine, Gene Armstrong, Richard P. Streeter, Dan Champney and RJ Vallie. Also present was Town Clerk Deborah La Rivière. The meeting was called to order at 6pm.

- Property owner Peter Fenn met with the Board to discuss a driveway access permit application he had submitted for new construction on Wentworth Road. He feels he is unable to comply with the requirements imposed on his application. He is suggesting an alternate to the road foreman's original request. The Board would like to do a site visit prior to making any changes on the access permit requirements. Meanwhile, Fenn has tenants waiting to occupy the dwelling and needs the Certificate of Occupancy beforehand. John motioned: "To not require a Certificate of Occupancy for 45 days. Occupancy will be allowed during this time. At the end of 45 days the driveway must come into compliance with Town regulations and a Certificate of Occupancy applied for and approved." Richard seconded. The Board along with the road foreman will meet Fenn at the site at 6:15 on Monday July 20 for a review. Gene, John, Dan and Richard in favor. RJ opposed. Motion passed.

- Planning Commission Chair and Clerk Linda Baker and Amy Grover respectively met with the Board to re-visit the Park and Ride discussion. There is approximately \$250 thousand dollars for grants in the state budget. The spot that being looked at in Bolton will accommodate approximately 25 vehicles. Paving, lighting and signage are at the option of the town. The Board's concerns are that the nature of a park and ride dictates an additional highway crew member in winter since the lot constantly needs to be cleaned because cars are coming and going. RJ motioned: "To apply to the state for a Park and Ride grant using the piece of property currently owned by the state." John seconded. The board's other concerns would be shutting down the facility in the future is it becomes more than the town can handle; what the town's maintenance costs would be and if the grant is accompanied by any 'strings' from the state. The question was called, Dan and RJ opposed to the park and ride, Gene, John and Richard in favor. Motion to pursue a grant for a park and ride passed.

- The Board discussed the Notch Road project and the disposal of the rock, gravel and pavement that will result in preparing the roadbed for a new base. An estimated 5,500 yards will need to be disposed of. John will speak the Beckman's at the gravel pit to see if they might have any interest in taking the remains of the excavation.

- Warrants were signed.

- Highway logs were reviewed. Code 92 needs to be added to the sheets. Dan will speak with Road Foreman Eric Andrews about the highway's summer task list.

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- The town is still without a constable. The Board will continue looking.
- The Board read a letter regarding the Vermont State Police survey from Town Meeting.
- The Board reviewed the proposed tax rate info sheet. John motioned: “To approve a municipal tax rate of .5249 for 2009-10.” RJ seconded. The municipal rate is down 2¢ from last year. All were in favor, motion passed.
- The Board read a draft letter to state Representatives and Senators regarding railroad crossings. Deb will re-do for the Board to sign.
- The Board discussed the possibility of changing the Notch Road from a Class 3 to a Class 2 highway. Dan brought the paperwork and criteria. Deb will review and call AOT for help.

There was no other business to be brought before this board at this time. John motioned to end the meeting, seconded by Gene. The meeting closed at 8 pm.

Attest:

Deborah La Rivière  
Town Clerk

*Minutes are unofficial until approved. These minutes were read and approved by the Bolton Select Board on July 20, 2009. \_\_\_\_\_ For the Board.*