# **Town of Craftsbury Selectboard Minutes**

~ unapproved ~ December 2, 2014

### Agenda:

- Approval Select Board Minutes
- Kai Wingensiefen Letter
- Energy Committee- Amelia Fritz
- Lease Land Angela Ross
- Committee/Commission Reports
- Clerk Report
- Road Foreman's Report
- Executive Session
- Other Business:
  - Drug & Dog Policy Draft

The Selectboard met at the Craftsbury Town Hall on Tuesday, December 2, 2014 at 7 PM. Selectboard present were Bruce Urie, Susan Houston and Jim Jones. Yvette Brown (Town Clerk), Steve Marckres (Road Foreman), Michelle Warren (Clerk of Selectboard), June Cook (Hardwick Gazette), Angela Ross and Amelia Fritz were also present.

# **Approval Select Board Minutes:**

Jim made a motion to approve the November 11, 2014 Select Board minutes as printed, Susan seconded, approved.

#### Kai Wingensiefen Letter:

The Selectboard received a letter from Craftsbury Academy student, Kai Wingensiefen, suggesting Craftsbury be a zero waste community, starting with a community compose pile. The Selectboard will invite Kai for conversation to either the December 16 or Jan. 5<sup>th</sup> Selectboard meeting.

### Energy Committee- Amelia Fritz:

Amelia discussed with the Selectboard upgrading Craftsbury's street lighting. Amelia will look into savings plus costs of installation, bulbs and life expectancy. She will also contact Hardwick and Greensboro, maybe bulk ordering will be cheaper. Amelia will check if non-municipal lights can also get the bulbs, and at what cost as well.

#### Lease Land – Angela Ross:

Angela asked the town to release its interest on the leased land in lot 2 to the Martins. Jim made a motion to release the town's leased land portion of lot 2 to Donald Martin and heirs. Motion approved.

The Selectboard discussed with Angela the status of the old roads they are working on. Bruce said Wayne is almost finished with the surveying. Jim made a motion to authorize the town's attorney to set a time for the road hearing and to sign the notice once prepared by town attorney on the following 3 property pieces-TH 45, Paquette Road and Twin Bridges. So moved, all Selectboard were in favor.

#### Committee/Commission Reports:

Susan said the Planning Committee would like to meet with the Selectboard to meet December 18<sup>th</sup> and also Paul Costello regarding the community visit this summer. The planning committee is concerned with the

timing of the community visit and the Town Plan. Bruce said that the Planning Committee did get the grant for the Town Plan and also mentioned Farley needs to go online within 45 days of the offer and sign the grant. If she has any problems with doing that, she can just get in touch with Bruce.

Susan said that Farley will attend a January Selectboard meeting to discuss the plant invasives.

# Clerk Report:

Yvette had the Selectboard read BC/BS updates and also the new mileage report with the revision on Coburn Hill Road.

One of the Antiques & Uniques' volunteer hours wasn't received in time. Yvette will pull out the information for the next meeting. There will also be discussion at the next Antiques and Uniques meeting in January.

2014 delinquent taxes are about 6%, slightly down from last year.

# Road Foreman's Report:

One of the road crew had resigned, last day of work was December 1, 2014. They are plowing with only 2 crew members right now.

### **Excecutive Session:**

Jim made a motion to go in executive session at 8:05 PM to the discuss road position. Executive session ended at 8:50 PM, no action taken. They will try and line up interviews on Thursday.

### Other Business:

o The Drug and Dog Policy are still in draft mode, will review at a later Selectboard meeting.

The Selectboard Meeting adjourned 9 PM. Next meeting is scheduled 7 PM on Tuesday, December 16, 2014 at Craftsbury Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Warren

Michelle Warren, Clerk of the Select Board

### **Upcoming Project Considerations:**

- Speeding concerns on the Common
- Dog ordinance discussion
- Ancient roads
- Sidewalk between IA & Academy buildings
- Telecommunication ordinance amendment Wastewater feasibility study
- Emergency Management Plan discussion
- Town Hall Relocation possibilities
- Brainstorm needs of Town Hall interior