

**Wolcott Selectboard Meeting
Minutes
February 13, 2018**

Members Present: Belinda Clegg, Michael Davidson, Richard Lee, Eric Furs
Members Absent: Kim Gravel
Public: Mike Sullivan, Manager of Hardwick Electric Department, Payne Morgan of Encore Renewable Energy, Brendan Malley of Norwich Technologies, Nell Rowland, Ryan Bjerke, Wolcott Emergency Management
Town Staff: Linda Martin
Reporter: None

Eric called the meeting order at 6:07 p.m.

Amendments to the Agenda: Lister’s Certificate of “No Appeal or Suit Pending” – tabled until next meeting

Nell Rowland – Railroad Station building

Nell Rowland is interested in renting the railroad station building for her Magic Garden Waldorf Preschool. There was discussion around the availability of the building come July 1st. The board and Nell will get back together after Town Meeting to discuss the particulars around a two year lease.

Mike Sullivan –General Manager, Hardwick Electric Department

Mike from Hardwick Electric came to give the town some feedback on the two proposed solar projects in Wolcott. Many facts and figures were discussed. Mike will send us a copy of the information he brought to the meeting. Payne from Encore and Brendan from Norwich Technologies were also there to answer questions. There was much discussion. The board was not pleased with Mike Sullivan’s approach to the town solar project.

Ryan Bjerke – Emergency Management updates

Ryan Bjerke came to the board to ask permission to set up an Emergency Management Face Book page for Wolcott. The board has no problem with this as long as Ryan maintains it.

Approve minutes of January 17th - Motion was made by Eric to approve the minutes as written. Richard seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-yes.

Comments from the Community - None

Delegate board members to speak on Selectboard Budget. The board will take a team approach to answering questions at town meeting.

Notes from Linda on TAC Transportation Advisory Committee

Written notes were handed out. Board decided to table discussion until next meeting to have Skip in to go over.

New Business: Certificate of Highway Mileage – Signed and approved.

Request for letter of support - easement - Belinda made the motion to support a 10.4 river easement along the Lamoille River owned by Tom Stearns. Richard seconded it. Motion passed 4-yes.

Old Business: Update on North Wolcott Road if needed - Invoice from Manosh has been received board needs to approve and pay at next Selectboard meeting on the 21st.

Solar Project – 45 day advance notice of filing “Certificate of Public Good” for Norwich Technologies.
No action taken. A special meeting is needed between Encore and the Board. Mike will start an email chain with Encore for the Board to express specific grievances and concerns.

Review Correspondence:

Review sign pre-approved payroll orders - signed

Request for public comments – Energy portion of Regional Plan – discussion. No Problem with expectations and fact.

Seminar – Interagency Regional Spring Flooding Seminar - Ask Skip to attend

LCSD January Monthly Report - reviewed

Selectboard Institute - Will see if new board member or members want to attend.

Motion to Adjourn: Motion by Eric to adjourn the meeting at 7:56 p.m. Seconded by Richard. Voting: 4- yes.

The next Selectboard meeting is scheduled for February 21, 2018.