

**Wolcott Selectboard Meeting
Minutes**

March 1, 2017

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Members Present: Belinda Clegg, Bessie Martin, Richard Lee, Eric Furs,
Kim Gravel
Members Absent: None
Town Employees: Linda Martin, Bernard Earle
Public: Michael Davison, Deputy Ferron Wambold, Eddie Duff,
Amy Touchette, Greg Williams, Chad Roy, Don Lowell
Reporter: None

Eric called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

Amendments to the Agenda:

- **Town Hall Permit:** Motion by Kim to accept a town hall permit for March 12, 2017 with no alcohol. Seconded by Eric. Voting: 5 in favor, 0 against.
- **Posting of Town Roads:** Skip has posted the town roads effective March 1, 2017.
- **Participation in the Climate Economy Model Communities Program:** Vermont Council on Rural Development invited the town to apply for help to build and implement plans that model state of the art rural development for homes and businesses to protect development of the community. The deadline is March 22, 2017. It was agreed that Belinda will attend the March 9, 2017 webinar to find out more information and she will bring this to the board at their next meeting.

Comments from the Community: Chad mentioned his concern of the minutes regarding Bruce's sales of inventory from the old school house to family members. He wanted it known that Bruce did sell the items to family members, but with the approval from the committee.

Approve the Minutes of February 15, 2017: Discussion. Motion by Eric to approve the minutes. Seconded by Richard. Voting: 5 in favor, 0 against.

Chad Roy – School House Restorations – Funding: Chad stated that he did not have anything for the Board. The Board asked Chad to make sure that the committee is available for Town Meeting to speak about the old school house under non-binding business and to answer specific questions. It was also asked that they display pictures and other materials.

Ben Morin’s Dogs at Lamoille Kennels: Deputy Ferron Wombold from the LCSD was present to update the Board on the lengthy history of the 3 dogs that were involved in the recent attack on Eddie Duff and her dog and the dogs owners, as she has been actively pursuing this case. NCAL informed the town and Deputy Wombold that due to recent information that they received, they will only accept the 1 female dog for rehabilitation. They are recommending that the 2 male dogs be euthanized. Lengthy discussion. Motion by Eric to hand over the female dog to NCAL and to euthanize the 2 male dogs. Seconded by Richard. Voting: 5 in favor, 0 against. Bernard will handle these arrangements.

Town Clerk – Notes from TAC (Transportation Advisory Committee)& the Transfer Station: Linda handed out a propane use sheet that she compiled on the transfer station as the amount of propane being used is excessive. Discussion. Richard will meet with Tuffy regarding this issue and will inform the Board on what was discussed. Linda also brought it to the Board’s attention that they need to start preparing to accept table scraps as of July 1 as it is required of the Transfer Station. Richard will also check on household composters to sell. Linda informed the Board that she recently attended a local roads workshop entitled “Show Me the Money”. She handed out copies of her notes from that workshop. She highlighted all of the grants that are available for roads and what is required. Discussion. Motion by Belinda to have Rob from LCPC write a Better Back Roads grant to continue the ditching work on Sand Hill. Seconded by Eric. Voting: 5 in favor, 0 against. Discussion on redesigning the culvert on East Hill from a box culvert design to an ARC design as it will be less expensive. Motion by Belinda to have an engineering study performed for the alternative ARC culvert design through a Structures grant. Seconded by Richard. Voting: 5 in favor, 0 against. Linda will inform Rob of the Board’s decisions so that he can write the grants.

New Business:

- **Preparing for Town Meeting:** Discussion.
- **Updating Local Emergency Operation Plan - Due 5/1/2017:** Discussion. Belinda will get a copy of the existing operation plan from LCPC for Eric to review. He will also look over the available classes for one to take.

Review Correspondence/Sign:

- **Sign Payroll:** Signed.
- **VLCT Selectboard Workshop:** Discussion.
- **Northern Borders Grant - Seeking Applications:** Discussion. Linda explained to the Board that they need to provide a list to LCPC for potential areas of improvement, as grants are available for up to \$500,000 for economic and infrastructure development programs. The Board will email Maxfield from the Planning Commission for ideas from the Town Plan.

Motion to Adjourn: Motion by Eric to adjourn at 7:17 p.m. Seconded by Kim. Voting: 5 in favor, 0 against. The next Selectboard meeting is scheduled for March 15, 2017.

Respectfully submitted by Val Mason.