

TOWN OF BRIDGEWATER
SELECTBOARD / SEWER COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF AUGUST 18, 2015

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Meeting was called to order at 4:30 pm by Norman Martin (Chair).

Present: John Timken, Mary Oldenburg, Randy Kennedy, Vicky Young and Nancy Robinson

Visitors: Virginia Dean, VT Standard Reporter

John moved to accept the minutes of July 28, 2015 as written. Nope seconded the motion and motion carried.

Visitors: None

Highway: Truck is back from garage. Front end of grader has been repaired. Currently working on grading, ditching and graveling roads. Have done Baker Hill and several side roads in Bridgewater Center. New access/right of way permits were approved for Annick, Doyle, Leabourne and Lombard. The annual roadside mowing project has been completed. Discussion of the drop inlet/culvert at the intersection of North Bridgewater and Cox District Road. Culvert is full due to water coming from the upper driveway. Randy has been contacted to “fix” clean out the culvert. Town has correspondence from when the inlet was installed indicating that the property owner would be responsible for the culvert maintenance. A letter will be sent to the property owner.

Treasurer’s File: Payroll and order sheets were signed. A current budget status report was given to the board for review. Vicky notified the board that the new audit firm would be here next week to begin the FY 14/15 audit.

Clerk’s File: Excess weight permits were approved for Mark Johnson, Donald Stebene and PJF Trucking. September calendar given to the board. Randy will be on vacation the first 2 weeks of Sept. Vicky will be on vacation from Sept 14th. through the 23rd.

New/Old Business: Board reviewed and approved a permit for the VT Overland Grand Prix bike ride to take place on August 23rd. Will travel on Wayside RD, North Bridgewater and Cox District Roads. Discussion of the recreation field and tennis court. Wooden fence along top of bank is rotting and a section has fallen over. Nope will remove this section. Tennis court net center strap needs to be replaced as well as the handle to the net pole. Tennis court is also in need of being resurfaced. Resurfacing will be discussed in the spring. Suggestion made to send out donation request letters as the recreation field is supported only through donations.

John will attend the Greater Upper Valley Solid Waste Management District meeting on August 20th.

Bridgewater Celebration Day is this Saturday. Fire Dept. will be setting up tents on Friday and tables on Saturday morning.

Mary mentioned that several lights have to be replaced in the Fast Squad rooms, and will be replaced with LED’s. Tom Leonard will be doing the work.

A volunteer group will be cleaning out the school building on Wednesday.

Mary made the motion to enter into executive session per 1 VSA 313 (1) (e) to discuss pending or probable litigation at 5:30 pm. Nope seconded this motion and motion carried.

Motion made and seconded to return to open meeting at 6:00pm.

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Mary moved and John seconded a motion authorizing the clerk to seek/hire legal counsel to assist with a potential tax case. If needed, the clerk will contact Atty. Susan Ford (if available) to assist. Motion carried.

Discussion of the maintenance of the school building. Mary reported that Bob Rosenberger has decided that he is too busy to check on the school after doing it for a couple of weeks. Need someone to empty the dehumidifiers at least once daily and most days twice. This should only last until early fall. Nancy has been doing it since Bob decided not to. Nope asked if Nancy would like to continue to do the job at the same \$15.00 that was offered to Bob for approx. 3 hours a week. Nancy agreed and will continue until no longer needed.

Being no further business, the motion was made and seconded to adjourn at 6:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Robinson

Nancy Robinson,
Clerk