

TOWN OF BRIDGEWATER
SELECTBOARD / SEWER COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 25, 2014

Meeting was called to order at 4:30 pm by Norman (Nope) Martin II
Present: John Timken, Mary Oldenburg, Randy Kennedy, Vicky Young and Nancy Robinson
Visitors: Ned Candee, Ed Flynn

John moved to accept the minutes of February 11, 2014 as written. Nope seconded the motion and motion carried.

Visitors: Ed Flynn came before the board to discuss an invoice for bridge plank that was purchased by the Bridgewater Snowmobile Club to build a bridge on the Barnard Chateaugay Road where a culvert had washed out during TS Irene. Board members were not aware that this bridge had been built on the class 4 section of the road and that it was not built to road and bridge standards. This summer the highway department will replace the culvert that was originally in place. Snowmobile Club can reclaim the bridge plank/stringers anytime this spring.

Highway: An insurance claim has been filed to replace a snowplow that was damaged (bent cutting edge and frame) last week during one of the storms. Randy had a quote for a new plow of \$8377.00 less 10% for wear/tear usage. Town also has a \$1,000.00 insurance deductible. Randy will wait for insurance check before purchasing new plow. Discussion of road striping/markings on class 1 and 2 highways. VTRANS is scheduling this work for the summer. Bridgewater has 2 class 2 roads; North Bridgewater Rd. and Bridgewater Center Rd. Randy is working on a paving grant for the Bridgewater Center Road, so we may want to wait on the marking until we hear about the grant. Also working on a Structures grant to replace the box culvert at the bottom of the Bridgewater Hill Road.

Treasurer's File: Payroll and current expense order sheets were signed by the board.

Clerk's File: A liquor license was signed for Sunrise General Store, excess weight permits were approved for ABLE Waste Management and Mosher Exc. Board reviewed correspondence from Two Rivers Ottauquechee Planning Commission regarding their procedure for ACT 250 hearings. Town also received notification from the State of Vermont regarding funding changes for natural disasters and new standards that towns have to have in place in order to qualify for funding criteria. The only criteria that Bridgewater does not currently meet is the development of a Local Hazard Mitigation Plan. Town plans to work with TROPIC this summer to implement and adopt a plan. Board reviewed the March calendar.

Other business: Reviewed information for upcoming Town Meeting. Historical Society members have inspected artifacts located within the Southgate House and would like to itemize items and then take them over to the Historical Building for preservation and presentation. These items would be considered on loan from the town. Board is in agreement of this plan.

Being no further business, meeting was adjourned at 5:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Robinson
Clerk