

TOWN OF BRIDGEWATER  
SELECTBOARD / SEWER COMMISSIONERS  
MINUTES OF JULY 8, 2014

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

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

Visitors: Ned Candee and Job Tate, Candidate for State Representative for the Rutland-Windsor 1 District

John moved to accept the minutes of June 24, 2014. Mary seconded the motion and motion carried.

Visitors: Joe Tate introduced himself to the board and spoke briefly about his goals as representative for the Rutland-Windsor district.

**Highway Dept.:** Rain storm last Thursday damaged several town roads, most severely hit were the Hale Hollow Road and Blanchard Road. Others damaged were Cox District Rd, Old Bridgewater Hill Rd and Bridgewater Hill Rd. Martin Exc. was hired during the storm to truck material and assist with replacing a culvert on Blanchard Rd. Road damage information has been entered into the State's damage data base as well as given to Two Rivers Ottauquechee Planning Commission in preparation of a FEMA declaration for assistance. Mike Sturgeon has spoken with Nope about his driveway/water drainage issue on the Bridgewater Center Road. Will get in touch with Randy about culvert replacement. Equipment is all back and working. Brief discussion of culverts located on private driveways that are affecting town road and what action can be taken to address this issue.

**Treasurer File:** Payroll and order sheets were reviewed and signed. A fiscal year 13/14 budget status report was given to the board for review. Recreation Field account has a balance of over \$4,560. due to the liquidation of one of the investments. Board authorized Vicky to put \$4,500. into the reserve project fund for purchase of playground equipment, tables, benches etc.

Vicky noted to the board that there are not any tax appeals going to the Board of Civil Authority this year.

**Clerk's File:** A solid waste collection permit was approved and signed for Casella Waste. Ed Earle was re-appointed as Deputy Health Officer for a three (3) year term. Town has received notice of an upcoming meeting for the Greater Upper Valley Solid Waste Management District to be held on July 15<sup>th</sup>, in White River at the VA Hosp. from 7-9 pm. John will not be able to attend as he will be out of town.

Next Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) will be on Thursday, July 10<sup>th</sup>. in Bethel at 9:30 pm.

**New/Old Business:** The Town has received a letter from the Agency of Transportation regarding speed limit changes to provide more consistency along the RT 4 Corridor from Bridgewater Corners to Hartford. A meeting regarding these changes will be held on Montpelier on Thursday, July 10<sup>th</sup>. at 1:00 pm at the National Life Building. Town will send a letter to the Transportation Board with recommendation to keep speed limit at current 35 mph.

**Other business:** Nope has received a phone call from Harold Booth regarding the drainage ditch between the Booth property and the Recreation Field. Ditch is plugged and is draining water onto the Rec. Field. Mr. Booth is willing to pay for half of the repair expense which Nope estimates to be about \$800.00. John moved to hire Martin Exc. to clean out the ditch to resolve the drainage issue and that the town will for half of the work. Mary seconded the motion and motion carried. Funds to pay for this work will come from the Recreation Account. Discussion of future board meetings. Next meeting will be on July 22, 2014, August meetings will held on the 12<sup>th</sup>. and 26<sup>th</sup>. September 9<sup>th</sup>. and 30<sup>th</sup>. which will be a change from the 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Being no further business, Mary made the motion to adjourn at 6:00 pm. Nope seconded the motion and motion carried

Respectfully submitted, Nancy Robinson, Clerk