

Draft

North Hero Selectboard Meeting
Monday, April 5, 2010
Board Meeting Room/Town Office... 5:42 P.M.

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Note: Following this Public Hearing the Selectboard Meeting started at 5:42 p.m.
For future reference this....

Public Hearing... Monday, April 5, 2010 to be held at the North Hero Town Meeting Room beginning at 5:30 P.M...
on the discontinuance of all town highways that are not otherwise clearly observable by physical evidence of their use
as a highway or trail and that are not included as such on the sworn certificate of the description and measurement of
town highways filed with the Town Clerk on February 10, 2010.

Note: Minutes done by Town Clerk.

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In Attendance: Selectboard: Jim Martin, Marie Kilbride, Robert Rousseau,
Eileen Mitchell, and Andre Quintin (a. 5:50 P.M.)

Board Clerk: Jo-Ann Tier

Guest: Bart Wilcox

Public Works: not in attendance this evening

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order by Chair Robert Rousseau at 5:42 P.M.

REVIEW AND APPROVE BILLS FOR PAYMENT

Warrant with invoices were circulated for Board signature. Warrant
was signed by Marie Kilbride, Andre Quintin, Robert Rousseau,
Jim Martin and Eileen Mitchell.

Note: with the invoice from E.J. Barrett, in the amount of \$60.00 ,this warrant totaled
to \$12,115.56.

ADJUSTMENT OF AGENDA

North Hero School Consolidation -- Bart Wilcox

The change in the North Hero School Board and their apparent direction re: designation/
consolidation was discussed.

The vote of the North Hero voter authorizing the School Board to enter into discussions with
the South Hero School District for the purpose of considering school consolidation in
accordance with Vermont Statues was referenced.

The vote was a non-binding vote.

Bart encouraged the Board to attend the School Board Meeting on April 07, 2010.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES for March 15, 2010

Discussion - noted was a correction on page 3 .. word should appear as plan and not plant.
Andre Quintin made a motion to accept the minutes with the above noted correction.
This motion was seconded by Marie Kilbride.. hearing no further discussion.. this motion

was carried 4-0.
Note: Eileen Mitchell was absent at the March 15, 2010 meeting.

2010 LIQUOR LICENSE

North Hero House – 1st Class Hotel License

Jim Martin made a motion to recess this Selectboard Meeting and to go in to the Liquor Control Board Meeting. This motion was seconded by Marie Kilbride .. hearing no further discussion.. this motion was carried 5-0.

Jim Martin made a motion to approve the North Hero House – 1st Class Hotel License. This motion was seconded by Marie Kilbride.. hearing no further discussion this motion was carried.

The necessary paperwork was circulated for Board signature.

Jim Martin made a motion to adjourn this Liquor Control Board Meeting and to reconvene the Selectboard Meeting. This motion was seconded by Andre Quintin.. hearing no further discussion.. this motion was carried 5-0.

REPORTS

Public Works

Update – beaver issue

Jim shared that “he knows nothing”.

Update – Pelots Point

Discussion.... survey – and having someone contact Attorney Gillies to see what is it that he wants.. also, to have the neighbors notified that a survey will be done.

Eileen Mitchell made a motion that Jim contact Attorney Gillies to ask him what is is that he wants for information and, secondly, for Jim to hire someone to get to this survey done. This motion was seconded by Andre Quintin.. hearing no further discussion this motion was carried 4-0.

Workshop in Barre, Vermont

Jim reported that Kevin and Pat will be attending a workshop in Barre, Vermont on Tuesday, April 06, 2010.

Sunset View Road

Jim was asked if he had an update on Sunset View Road.. Ans. no discussion needed at this time.

Backhoe

Use of the backhoe by the Water Board.... Discussion
Robert will meet with Kevin to review how and why this came about.
(a way of saving money, etc.).

Update – grant due for submission – March 26th

Jim reported that this grant was submitted a week and a half ago.

Town Clerk/Treasurer

=Draft – Delinquent Tax Collection Policy

Discussion with Town Clerk/Treasurer.. i.e. current practices in place, etc. Pete asked the Board to review this draft. He is in hopes that the policy will be endorsed for approval as it is important to have the support of the Selectboard. Future Agenda Item...

Grant approval for lighting

Grant in the amount of \$5,000.00 has been approved for lighting. The amount submitted was for \$6,500.00 in total. Using the Public Works to offset this expenditure was discussed. Dwayne, Pete, Robert, Jim and Public Works will meet and the Board will be updated at their next meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS FOR ACTION OR DISCUSSION

Ancient Roads

Brief Discussion took place....

Marie Kilbride made the following motion ... “discontinuance of all town highways that are not otherwise clearly observable by physical evidence of their use as a highway or trail and that are not included as such on the sworn certificate of the description and measurement of town highways filed with the Town Clerk on February 10, 2010.

This motion was seconded by Jim Martin. Hearing no further discussion.. this motion was carried 5-0.

Responsibilities of First Constable

Page 116 of the VLCT Selectboard Handbook (March 2007) was referenced. Read by chair... “a town constable may be elected or appointed, and voters, if they choose to do so, have the authority to limit the constable’s law enforcement powers. 17 V.S.A. §§ 2646 (7), 2651a; 24 V.S.A. § 1936 (a). Etc.

Discussion..

Board agreed that this be reviewed again prior to the establishing of articles for the March 2011 Official Warning.

Note: Board asked that a folder be started - “Articles for March 2011”.

Draft review for Selectmen Responsibilities.. for approval

Draft was reviewed. Removed from the draft was the Broadband Committee which was assigned to Eileen Mitchell.

Marie Kilbride made a motion to adopt the Selectmen Responsibilities with the noted deletion. This motion was seconded by Andre Quintin.. hearing no further discussion.. this motion was carried. 5-0.

Coin drop for Women’s Auxiliary

Discussion.... coin drops to benefit the North Hero Volunteer Fire Department..

Question – when would the date (s) be. Eileen Mitchell will be in touch with Tina McKitty to verify dates and to make sure the dates do not conflict with another Town activity.

Letter to the Vermont Agency of Transportation – confirming that the Town of North Hero supports Coin Drops to be held in July and August of 2010 to benefit the North Hero Volunteer Fire Department was signed by all Selectboard.

Note: Letter mailed out 04.07.10 to the Vermont Agency of Transportation. Letter and insurance information attached to the minutes.

Amend the Bi-Weekly Payment Policy which was approved on 11.03.08

Discussion...

Eileen Mitchell made a motion to amend this policy = the Bi-Weekly Payment Policy to be effective today April 05, 2010 as suggested by Town Clerk/Treasurer. This motion was seconded by Andre Quintin.. hearing no further discussion.. this motion was carried 5-0.

Note: said policy was signed by all Selectboard and original copy given to Town Clerk/Treasurer.

Workshop for Town Health Officers on May 5th

Discussion...

Andre Quintin made a motion to approve Marie Kilbride attending the May 5th Workshop for town health officers and the workshop fee of \$80.00.

This motion was seconded by Jim Martin.. hearing no further discussion .. this motion was carried. 4-0.

CORRESPONDENCE FOR SHARING.. DISCUSSION/ACTION

Nothing to share at this time in the meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE FOR SHARING.. INFORMATION

Acknowledgement of the communication from the Library Trustees

Board acknowledged communication from the Library Trustees that referenced they are not interested in the items in the trailer.

Visiting Nurse Association

Letter from the Visiting Nurse Association – dated: March 30, 2010.. was shared with the Board. Said letter referenced their gratitude to the residents of North Hero for supporting an appropriation of \$6,750 to their agency for the next fiscal year.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Executive Session not needed this evening.

AGENDA BUILDING

April 19, 2010

- Public Works - beaver update
Pelots update.... Jim Martin
- Town Clerk/Treasurer - update on lighting
- Unfinished Business for Action or Discussions
- Draft – Delinquent Tax Collection Policy

May 03, 2010..... VLCT insurance quote.

ADJOURNMENT

Andre Quintin made a motion that this meeting be adjourned at 7:09 P.M. This motion was seconded by Jim Martin.. hearing no further discussion.. this motion was carried 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jo-Ann Tier

C: Board - Andre/Jim/Marie/Robert/Eileen
Town Clerk
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