

**Middletown Springs Selectboard Meeting
Thursday, April 28, 2016 • Approved Minutes**

BOARD IN ATTENDANCE: H. Childress, C. Fenton, P. Kenyon, T. Redfield, J. Webber

PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE: Sheriff Stephen Bernard, Laura Castle, John Colvin,
Sheriff's Lt. David Fox, Bill Reed.

CALLED TO ORDER: 7:00 pm

Minutes: P. Kenyon moved to approve the minutes of the April 14th meeting; C. Fenton 2nd [*all in favor, motion carried*].

Public Comments: Sheriff Bernard & Lt. Fox from Rutland County Sheriff's Department presented the services they currently offer. When the Sheriff's Department comes into a new town contract, they set up a meeting to determine needed services, and to establish contact systems. Their current billing rate is \$40/hr, so the \$10,000 approved by the voters amounts to approximately 250 hours per year, or five hours per week. The Sheriff has left information for the Board to consider.

Town Officers: No movement to report on vacant town positions. P. Kenyon has been working on the update to the town's Emergency Response Plan.

Town Lands: The Building Committee would like to join the Efficiency Vermont Net Zero pilot program for the new building. Efficiency Vermont will pay for us to have an "energy charette" engineering consultancy to reduce energy demands from our proposed design. The program also pays portions of energy simulations, energy-use monitoring equipment, and building commissioning. They also assist with tracking performance data over the first year of building operation. H. Childress moved to join the Efficiency Vermont Net Zero pilot program; C. Fenton 2nd; [*all in favor, motion carried*].

Kendall Severey is creating an estimate for repairs to the Library caused by the fire next door.

We will take up the remaining work in the Old Cemetery later this spring.

Road Commissioner: New tires were installed on the backhoe today, grader tires will be finished tomorrow. The crew has been working on maintenance on the backhoe. The new Freightliner is in Williston for touchups, available on Monday.

Bill has gotten us prices on two different loaders that might reduce the burden on the backhoe. We will seek further information on their age, condition, and equipment.

H. Childress moved to purchase the Cummins ISL Engine protection, Cummins Emissions coverage, TC4/84-month coverage, Allison Transmission coverage, and Towing warranty package for the new Freightliner, at a total cost of \$8,546, to be paid from the Highway Equipment reserve fund; C. Fenton 2nd [*all in favor, motion carried*].

Bill has developed a proposal for managing water and gravel runoff at the base of Daisy Hollow Road, based on our field discussion of Friday 4/22. John Colvin prefers that we not build the purge pool at the curve of his lawn, whereas Bill and the AOT believe that the purge pool would be an effective and cost-efficient solution. J. Webber moved to construct "phase 1," a rock-lined ditch above (east of) the proposed purge pool location, leaving further work to be determined based on field evidence; P. Kenyon 2nd [*all in favor, motion carried*].

Solid Waste: Hubbard has replaced the seals on the zero-sort compactor hydraulics.

Saturday May 7th will be Vermont Green Up Day, as well as the Town's large-object and metal waste collection day; all of these items will be collected at the Town's West Street site. Chris Fenton, Steve Geno and Glen Moyer will staff the West Street site; Herb Childress will work the Transfer Station for regular household trash and recycling.

T. Redfield moved that the Board Chair will act as the immediate supervisor of the transfer station manager, with the Vice Chair able to act as supervisor in the Chair's absence; H. Childress 2nd [*all in favor, motion carried*]

Board Orders: H. Childress moved to approve board orders as presented; P. Kenyon 2nd [*all in favor, motion carried*].

Other Business: A reminder that the Select Board will hold a special meeting on Tuesday May 3rd at 6:30 in the Historical Society dining room, to discuss the issue of junk and junk vehicles on private property.

Adjourn: H. Childress moved to adjourn; J. Webber 2nd [*all in favor, motion carried*]. Meeting adjourned 9:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Herb Childress, Select Board Clerk