

**Middletown Springs Select Board Minutes
October 22, 2015 Meeting Approved**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 7:00 pm

BOARD PRESENT: H. Childress, M. Lamson, S. Moyer, T. Redfield, J. Webber

PUBLIC PRESENT: Laura Castle, Bill Reed

Approval of Minutes: M. Lamson moved to approve the minutes of October 8th; J. Webber 2nd [*all in favor, motion carried*]

Town Lands: The cemetery work has moved along; the leaning stones have been straightened in preparation for the soil freeze. The steel sleeves are finished from the fabricator, and Michael Fannin should have the assembly work finished within the next two weeks.

Road Commissioner Report: The Town just received a bill from Earle's for work on both of the town's heavy trucks, which will appear in next week's board orders. We have received our sand and stone delivery, though we still have another 400 yards of sand at the pit whenever we need it mid-winter. Coy Hill/Whites Road project will probably be finished Monday. Final grading is done on Fitzgerald, Bill is continuing with other roads next week. Bill has re-built Fitzgerald Road shoulders using material donated by Chris Smid; the Board will send a letter of thanks for the donated slate rubble.

Next projects: installing the catch basin at the foot of Dudley Road, and the drainage project at the foot of Daisy Hollow. The culvert inventory with RRPC will be completed on 10/29.

The North Street box culvert project is done except for guardrails, and has come in about \$9,000 below the grant award. Bill and Laura have written an article for the Free Press to give a public update and appreciation of the grant.

Solid Waste: The job posting for senior transfer station attendant has been posted to Front Porch Forum, and will be repeated twice in the next two weeks. Paper copies have been posted at the three Town posting sites as well.

M. Lamson is working on scheduling electronics pick-up. H. Childress will work Saturday 10/24 with John Blanchard. T. Redfield has been working occasional Mondays. We're also short-handed on Saturdays 11/14, 11/21; we will determine how to cover those shifts.

Poultney River Walk Update: The river trail committee held an informational meeting last night about the trail process and the grant update and possible town match, with 20 persons attending. The conversation was both vigorous and civil.

The trail committee will meet next week to discuss the ideas raised at the public meeting, and to develop a recommendation for the Board's consideration at our November 12 meeting.

Correspondence: Invoice from BROC for \$200 for our annual donation; request for \$200 for Mentor Connector for the March 2016 ballot; annual meeting of Rutland Economic Development Corporation; job application for transfer station.

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

Other Business: The Board reviewed a revised proposal for a Purchasing and Contracting Policy. H. Childress moved that we adopt the draft Purchasing and Contracting Policy, effective this evening; T. Redfield 2nd [*all in favor, motion carried*].

Adjourn: H. Childress moved to adjourn; T. Redfield 2nd [*all in favor, motion carried*]. Meeting adjourned 8:12 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Herb Childress, Clerk