

**Middletown Springs Select Board  
Regular Meeting  
Approved Minutes of May 10, 2018**

**Board Present:** Chris Fenton, Terry Redfield, Patty Kenyon, Carl Haynes

**Public Present:** Laura Castle – Town Clerk, Bill Reed – Road Foreman, Sarah Grimm - Auditor

**Call to order:** Chris Fenton called the meeting to order at 7:01pm

**Approval of Minutes:** 4-26-2018 Regular Meeting - Terry Redfield moved to accept the minutes of 4/26/2018, Carl Haynes seconded and the motion carried.

**Public comments –**

**Public & Guests -** None

**Town officers –** Clerk, Treasurer, Auditors – Laura updated the board on the assistant clerk's work schedule. She also asked Sarah some questions about the auditors cash handling policy. Sarah followed up with Terry on next steps to continue the work on the traffic ticket information and officer's reports for Middletown Springs from the Rutland County Sheriff's Dept.

**Town highway**

**Road Commissioners report –** Bill reported that the highway crew is working on the following items:

- Working on Haley Road prepping for guardrail installation
- Work on grader is complete and working well
- Working on Norton Road bid packet and hoping to get ad calling for bids in Rutland Herald by May 18
- Spring clean up in the old cemetery finished up today
- Contract for roadside mower has been mailed insurance being taken care of by Terry
- Bill would like to schedule an onsite visits to problem areas in town with the board to get direction for resolution
- Meeting with Kitt Shaw tomorrow to go over loose ends for the summer work schedule
- Crew is working on pot holes and spot grading now but once they are done on Haley Road will be grading full time and working on some sink holes
- Some culverts will need to be replaced
- Two grants Bill applied for have been recommended and moved on to the next stage for review. North Road work and paving of Route 140. Bill is not that optimistic that we will be successful in either of these once they get to the state level, but we made it farther than he had expected. If we do not get the 140 paving grant then Bill would like to look at doing crack sealing on 140 this summer to gain us some more time and another chance for grant money for repaving next year.

- Bill reported hearing a lot of good things about big dump day and how smoothly it went last Saturday.
- Bill reminded the board that we need to work on an ad for town highway crewman.

**Other highway** – Signage – Herb received an email from Steve Harrington requesting the board apply for a state sign for Sullivan Woods at the intersection of Fitzgerald and 140/133. The board would like Herb to connect with Steve and Bill to investigate and begin the process to get VT highway sign.

### **Town Lands**

**Building committee** – Patty reported that the Building Committee met last Wednesday and are continuing to move ahead.

**Other** – West Street property – Matt Kenyon took a look at the building last Saturday. Terry is also looking into connecting with an Amish group to see if they might be interested in taking a look at it.

### **Solid waste**

**Large dumpster day** – Review and options – Hubbard only brought 2 dumpsters instead of the 4 that we had asked for. The onsite crew punted and put metal in two of the town's trucks and used the dumpsters for trash only. The 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> dumpster arrived mid-morning. Overall the process worked well despite the glitches. The board will continue to work on logistics for the fall big dump day.

### **Correspondence:**

- Comcast Advertisement
- Vermont Municipal Employee Retirement System – notice of Election of Employer Trustee
- Invoice from Casella Recycling – sent on to Treasurer's folder
- Rutland Regional Planning Comm official Rutland Regional Transportation Council representative paperwork for completion by board – Terry moved to appoint Bill as RRTC Representative and Chris Fenton as alternate. Carl Haynes seconded and the motion carried.
- Memo from NE Delta Dental re: July 1 plan renewals
- Camp Precast Overweight Permit App without a check – Terry will connect with them and try to get the payment so that we can approve the permit.
- Lisa McGuire's request for reimbursement for winter paper receptacle damage. Bill reviewed and left a note that he does not feel that the Town was responsible for this damage. None of our road crew hit the receptacle. The road foreman would be happy to consult with the homeowner on better placement of the receptacle to avoid damage in the future. The board requests that the clerk draft a letter to the homeowner informing them of the determination.
- Letter from Marble Valley Engineering regarding grant award for culvert and road erosion inventory grant award.
- VLCT NEWS
- Advertising / Catalogs – Street Décor / Lockers & Storage / Darley Equipment

**Board Orders** – Patty Kenyon moved to approve board orders as presented. Terry Redfield seconded and the motion carried.

**Legal** – Tax Sale – The formerly missing warrants were located and sent to the Lawyer so proceedings can continue.

**Other business**

**Financials** – Board reviewed financial reports and discussed options for keeping budgets on track as we near the end of the year.

**Appointments** – Fire Warden – Carl reported that he had a conversation with James Reed regarding the Fire Warden appointment. James will touch base with the Regional Fire Warden to determine when his certification expires. Past practice is that the Regional Fire Warden will send paperwork to the town ahead of the position expiring so that the board can stay in compliance.

**Memorial Day Parade** - Terry moved to approve the State parade permit, Carl Haynes seconded and the motion carried. Board chair to sign permit and Terry will submit to the state.

Chris Fenton reported that he will not be here next meeting.

**Adjournment:** Carl Haynes moved to adjourn at 9pm, Terry Redfield seconded and the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by  
Patty Kenyon, Acting Clerk