

**TOWN OF HYDE PARK
SELECTBOARD MEETING
JULY 9, 2009**

Present: Scott Griswold, Russ Lanphear, Duncan Nash, Allen Cusson and James Heath,

Others Present: Kim Moulton, Julia Compagna, Jason Picard, Richard Mathieu, Brad Carrierre, Susan Primo, Philip Etter

Scott Griswold called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

1) Dog Ordinance – Jason Picard

Jason would like to look into an exemption to existing dog ordinances regarding leash laws for hunting dogs. Julia to research state statutes and Fish & Wildlife laws.

2) VFW Drive – Richard Mathieu & Guest

Drawing presented regarding paving, see addendum A. Requested a change to specs to lengthen lower drive to 100 ft and shorten upper drive to 30 ft.

**Duncan Nash moved and James Heath seconded the motion to approve a change to the paving specifications to lengthen lower drive to 100 ft and shorten upper drive to 30 ft.
Voted unanimously in favor.**

3) FAST Squad – Brad Carrierre

Brad talked about the plans and process to separate the FAST Squad from the Hyde Park Fire Department. They need to make sure everyone is certified and that there is someone in charge. Officers would be voted on. Allen is having Paul Nesky compare insurance coverages between VFIS and VLCT. Allen should have those results by next meeting.

4) Zach Woods Pond – Susan Primo and Philip Etter

Susan Primo and Philip Etter presented a letter and map to Selectboard. See attachment B. There are 3 parcels of land for sale on Garfield Rd owned by Terry & Deanna Judkins, Morrisville Water & Light and a parcel that is ½ in Hyde Park and ½ in Wolcott owned by Mary & Maynard Harris. Friends of Zach Woods want this land in conservation to make sure public access is not lost. They are filing for a Federal Forest Legacy Grant and asking for a letter of support for the project from the town. This letter needs to be filed with the grant. This topic will be added the July 23rd Selectboard meeting agenda and a decision will be made at that time. The board will be in contact with Susan to let her know what happens.

5) Minutes of June 11 and July 2

**James Heath moved and Allen Cusson seconded a motion to accept the minutes of June 11, 2009.
Voted unanimously in favor.**

Correction to the minutes of July 2, changing of a name from Deane to Diane.

James Heath moved and Allen Cusson seconded a motion to accept the corrected minutes of July 2, 2009. Voted unanimously in favor.

6) Rail-Trail Trailhead Facility Construction Bid

Allen Cusson moved and Scott Griswold seconded to sign the Rail-Trail Trailhead Facility Construction Bid.

There was discussion by the board that the contract not be signed at this time due to an anticipated delay due to the Act 250 appeal process.

Unanimously voted “no” to the motion.

Duncan Nash suggested a letter to the contractor stating that because of the appeal to Act 250, the Selectboard may need to renegotiate the bid since we have no funds to pay due to a delay with the grant.

Duncan Nash moved and James Heath seconded to send a letter to the contractor stating that because of the appeal to Act 250, the bid may need to be renegotiated since we have no funds to pay due to a delay with the grant. Voted unanimously in favor.

7) After School Program Town Meeting Petition

Duncan Nash moved and Allen Cusson seconded to put the After School Program on the Appropriation List for Town Meeting without further petitioning. Voted unanimously in favor.

8) Town Clerk Building Use

Scott Griswold and Duncan Nash attended the Village Trustee meeting on July 8, 2009 to discuss the office location for Village employees. Village Trustees want to stay in the Town Clerk building. Allen Cusson and a member of the Village Trustees will look at best use of building with keeping Town and Village in same building.

9) Town Administrator Report

Town Administrator Report was reviewed. James Heath has concerns with the Capital Bill. He advocates legislators reconsider the bill. Duncan Nash suggested sending a letter to legislators and other Selectboards in Lamoille County regarding concerns. James Heath agreed with idea. Julia asked to draft a letter to other Selectboards and VLTC. Hyde Park Selectboard will go on record with the letter and have it ready for next meeting.

10) Selectboard Orders

Allen Cusson moved and James Heath seconded the motion to sign the Selectboard orders for the General Fund, Highway Department, Hyde Park Fire Department and the Recreation Committee. Voted unanimously in favor.

11) Financial Reports

Selectboard would like two line items under “Summer” Highway Expenses, grant income paving and budget paving. They would also like to identify revenue line items with descriptions. Allen Cusson expressed concern with changing from the standard accounting report style.

There were questions regarding the CIG Grant income. Kim to follow up with Gary.

12) Other Business

a) HAVA Grant for \$1,659 to replace downstairs door has been approved. Place invitation to bid notices in local papers.

b) Union Bank Line of Credit Note for \$300,000 presented for Selectboard signatures.
James Heath moved and Duncan Nash seconded to sign note.

Call local banks to price out rates before signing. This will be revisited at July 23, 2009 meeting.

Unanimously voted “no” to the motion.

c) The next Selectboard meeting is July 23, 2009 at 6:00pm. The top 3 applicants for the Administrative Assistant position will be interviewed. Interviews to start at 6:30pm and applicants scheduled at 15 minute intervals.

13) Applications for Administrative Assistant

Allen Cusson moved and Duncan Nash seconded to enter executive session at 7:53pm to review applications for the Administrative Assistant position. Voted unanimously in favor. It was the consensus of the Board to leave executive session at 8:48pm.

Duncan Nash moved to adjourn the Selectboard Meeting at 8:49pm. Voted unanimously in favor.