Select Board Meeting Minutes July 1, 2015

Present: Charlie Howard, Todd Williams, Gail Acosta, Fran Tobia, Stewart Beattie, Wayne Blanchard, Barbara Petra

Call to Order: Charlie called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

Request to Change Agenda/Public Comment: None

Review/Approve Minutes: Todd made a motion to accept the minutes; Gail seconded; all in favor; motion passed.

New Business

Peru Fair: Fran Tobia came to make the Select Board aware of the conditions at the Community House space that the Peru Fair Committee is using for storage. There are two leaks in the garage space that Fran would like the Select Board to rectify as soon as possible. They agreed to investigate and make the necessary repairs. Fran asked about the split rail fence in front and was advised that Rich Ragone was going to repair/replace it in the near future. She also asked for assistance from the Town in moving the Peru Fair Wagon from Barbara Ardell's hanger to their garage space. She was advised by Charlie to give Wayne Blanchard a call to make these arrangements. Fran was also advised to ask Chuck Black (fire department) for assistance in hanging the Peru Fair Banners.

Community House/Cheese Factory: The Select Board will be addressing the issue of the doors, stairways and lift chair at the Community House. Gail will contact Caitlyn at Vermont village Center Program for possible grants which we might qualify for. Discussion continued regarding all repairs and maintenance issues to be dealt with in a timely manner.

Old Business

Main Street/Village: Stewart Beattie was again asking that the Select Board take care of the safety and clean-up items that have been brought up to the Board in the past. He is asking that the stop block painting be done as soon as possible. The tree line needs to be cleaned up along the west end of Main Street. Trucks are smacking into the overhanging branches. Parking still remains an issue on Sundays and whenever

there is an event that is happening in the Town. Charlie said he will ask Wayne to make the stop block painting a priority. Todd said that he will contact the owners of the property where the trees are an issue to give them a heads up on what the Town plans to do. Charlie asked Stewart what he would propose to do about the parking along the east end of Main Street. Stewart would like the Town to add gravel to level the roadsides, add lines to indicate head-in parking and signs. The Select Board will take his suggestions under advisement.

Town Garage: Vermont Foam Insulation met with the Select Board for an energy audit regarding the Town Garage/Fire House. Deficiencies with regard to insulation, windows, doors and heating system was discussed. Charlie will be getting estimates in changing to a propane heating system.

P.A.C.I.F. Insurance: Effectively immediately, the Town now holds all insurance policies with the VLCT except for the fire departments' accident/sickness policy.

Other Business

Todd discussed getting estimates on filling in the cracks on the paved part of South Road. He and Wayne will research and report back at future meeting. The Select Board asked Wayne to paint the stop blocks at all stop signs, add gravel and create lines indicating parking spaces on the east end of Main Street as soon as possible. Wayne and Todd will again investigate the septic tank and culvert issue on the west end of Main Street

Road Foreman Report: Wayne reported that the guardrail work is on schedule. Trimming, cutting and culverts are done. Hay is on order. Chloride has been delivered. Sand price differences for, with or without delivery, were discussed. Repair of pavement on North Road was also discussed and estimates will be collected on work to be done.

Review Bills/Approve Payment: Fiscal year end, 2014/2015, pay order was reviewed and approved for payment. July 1, 2015 pay order was reviewed and approved for payment.

Adjournment: Charlie adjourned meeting at 8:22pm.

Respectfully submitted, Barbara A. Petra Peru Assistant Town Clerk