

**SELECTBOARD MEETING  
NOVEMBER 19, 2012**

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Attending the meeting; Jon Trefry, Mike Bissonette, Phil Pouech, Andrea Morgante, Tom Ayer, Joe Colangelo and attached list.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

**CBC Interviews**

Chris Haviland is interested in a position on the Town Forest Committee. Chris moved to Hinesburg in 98. He has attended Town Forest Committee meetings and the Selectboard forums pertaining to the Management Plan.

Mike B asked Chris if living so close to the Town Forest he will be able to remain objective when looking at uses and is comfortable with all the current uses. Chris said coming up with the plan was a long process and there needed to be some give and take.

Phil asked what he thought of the process and the resulting plan. Chris said there was compromise but he felt it was premature to cut off access to horses and ATV's.

Jon pointed out that at the end the Management Plan did not exclude those uses and Chris must be pleased with that.

Chris said his objective is the trail system and protecting the forest.

Andrew Frost is interested in the Economic Development Commission. Andrew said he has lived in Hinesburg since 2005. His work involves product management and strategies.

Jon said Andrew would work with Joe at this point to get the commission formed and up and running.

Grace Cioff is seeking a position on the Planning Commission. Grace is a long time Hinesburg resident, she moved away for several years but now is back and working with her family on the family farm.

Tom asked Grace if she has any concerns that might be coming up with the Planning Commission. Grace said there are none.

Mike B asked why she chose the PC as a commission on which to serve the Town. Grace said being a landowner she is drawn to planning.

Andrea asked what experience Grace has in dealing with the public and on committees. Grace said her work as an event planner requires extensive work with people. She also is a recent ex board member of the Mad River Assoc of Wedding Planners and is active in the VT Assoc of Wedding Professionals.

**Trails Committee Update**

Stewart Pierson and Lenore Budd were present to represent the Trails Committee.

Stewart shared a power point presentation on work done and future plans of the committee. Stewart advised the committee will be requesting \$750 in funding next year and the committee has two current vacancies.

Andrea noted the Trials Committee has also worked on removing invasives.

Phil asked Stewart if there is more the Town can do to assist the committee. Stewart said Rocky has been a resource and helped out with projects.

Tom asked about citizens going onto the trials to help with cleanup work. Stewart stated it has been the committee members who have participated in the work day cleanup projects.

Tom said the concern is liability of individuals who might get hurt when doing this on their own.

**FY2014 Recreation Budget**

Budget reviewed with Jenn, Frank and Tom Giroux.

There is a significant increase in personnel which is to increase the hours for the director and to better reflect the actual time the position takes.

Frank said they are researching field maintenance costs at CVU to get an idea of costs to maintain the new fields that will be built.

Jenn said there will be a need to balance the uses of those organizations who contribute to the cost and Town use.

Mike B asked about the cost for water usage and Jenn said that is for the ice rink in the winter.

There was some discussion around the need to build a storage shed for equipment. The proposal is the shed would be shared with Buildings and Facilities for the sidewalk plow.

**FY2014 Buildings & Facilities Budget**

Reviewed with Rocky.

Building repair and maintenance is increased to replace the roof on the front porch, repair of the slate roof, and installation of a ladder type fire escape.

Tom asked what is the responsibility of HCS for mowing and care of the field at Lyman Meadow Park.

Rocky said the agreement made with the Town is that HCS is responsible for everything. Since the Town uses the park in the summer the Town has taken over the mowing for the summer.

Andrea asked for maintenance on trees be included with tree planting funds.

Joe will double check why the large increase for employee benefits.

**Recreation Path Update**

Rocky reports the construction season is just about wrapping up for the year. Looks like nearly the project will be nearly complete by December 1; except for some work on the east side of Mechanicsville Rd which will be completed next spring.

**Walnut Conference Table**

The proposal is to construct a walnut conference table for Town Hall with the remnants of a walnut tree from that had to be removed across the street (from Town Hall) along Charlotte Road as part of the Charlotte Road/Green Street sidewalk project.

There seems to be two possible options. 1) Supplant 3<sup>rd</sup> floor conference table; 2) supplant the Clerk's conference table. Both tables are used by the public and visible. This would be a beautiful piece of furniture and another nice way to celebrate the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

Phil moved the Board vote to allocate funding to construct a conference table made from the Town's walnut tree from Charlotte Road, not to exceed \$2800, including a plaque noting where the wood came from and the table was made to commemorate the Town's 250 anniversary to be used on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor in the planning and zoning office. Second by Andrea and approved.

Appointments

Applicant	CBC	Term
Emmons	Recreation	3yr
French	Village Steering	2yr
Baldwin	Planning	4yr
Bedard	Planning	4yr
Ciffo	Planning	4yr
Haivland	Forest	3yr
Frost	Economic	3yr
Mainer	Trails	4yr
Potvin	Forest	3yr

Committee	Advertised Seats
Affordable Housing	1
Agency Review	1
Conservation	3
Economic	6
Planning	1
Recreation	1
Forest	1
Village	1*

Tom moved the Board vote to appoint Shannon Emmons to the Recreation Commission for a 3 year term ending on Jan 1, 2016. Second by Andrea and approved.

Mike B moved the Board vote to appoint Matt Baldwin to the Planning Commission for a 4 year term ending on Jan 1, 2017. Second by Tom. Motion failed with 1 in favor and 4 opposed.

Andrea moved the Board vote to appoint Grace Ciffo to the Planning Commission for a 4 year term ending Jan 1, 2017. Second by Tom and approved.

Phil moved the Board vote to appoint Ray Mainer to the Trials Committee for a 4 year term ending on Jan 1, 2017. Second by Andrea and approved.

Andrea moved the Board vote to appoint Jeff French to the Village Steering Committee for a 2 year term ending on Jan 1, 2015. Second by Phil and approved.

Town Administrator's Report

1. Act 250 Questionnaire/Redstone Sign – Mike B moved the Board vote to authorize the Town Administrator to sign the Act 250 questionnaire on behalf of the Town. Second by Phil and approved.
2. VLCT Police Report – <http://www.vlct.org/assets/News/Current/vlct-policing-options-brochure.pdf>
3. VT Gas 45 Day Notice – Phil will draft a letter asking for more specific information. John Roos asked to be included in the letter for VT Gas to look again at requesting to use the VELCO right of way.
4. Bissonette Field Project – The Town's application for subdivision review of the 11 acre parcel from Lot 4 is slated for tomorrow evening's DRB meeting. This is sketch plan review.
5. Village North Sidewalk – Draft MOU in Selectboard packet for agreement between Town, SB Collins, and WindNRG
6. Memorial Park – See plans from the Village Steering Committee can be found in the meeting packet for tonight's meeting. This is on the agenda for December 17<sup>th</sup> meeting.
7. Public Safety Facility – Final cost estimates have been completed and I have started working on financing models. The Public Safety Facility Group will meet tomorrow (Tuesday) at 6pm to review the new information. Expect to see this item on the December 3<sup>rd</sup> Selectboard agenda for further conversation.
8. Thanksgiving – Town Hall will be closed Thursday and Friday.

Selectboard

Mike B asked about another possible vacant seat on the Planning Commission for an expired term. Joe will research the minutes to see if there was a reappointment made.

Warrants

Jon moved the Board vote to approve the warrants, including payroll, as submitted by the Town Treasurer. Second by Mike B and approved.

Minutes

Andrea moved the Board vote to approve the Nov 5, 2012 minutes as amended. Second by Jon and approved.

Mike B moved the Board vote to adjourn at 10:00 p.m. Second by Phil and approved.

Respectfully submitted,  
Valerie Spadaccini, secretary