

TOWN OF RIPTON SELECTBOARD MINUTES

Date:	Meeting No.	Start:	End:	Next Meeting	Next Time
04-23-07	2007-11	7:30	9:15	05-14-07	7:30 p.m.
Attendees:	William Ford, Laureen Cox, and Ronald Wimett, Selectboard and Debra Karpak, Board Clerk				
Visitors:					
Minutes:	Minutes of 03-12-07, 03-26-07 and 04-09-07 were approved and signed.				
Approval Actions:	Voted unanimously to approve the borrowing of funds through a tax anticipation note. Voted unanimously to have two smoke detectors installed in the Community House.				
Orders:	Orders for 04-23-07 were reviewed and signed: Total for Roads: \$8,232.50. General Funds: \$13,318.15.				
Reports:					
Delinquent Taxes					
Road Commissioner Report	Culverts/Bridges	None this period.			
	Gravel/Resurfacing	None this period			
	Major Roads Reconstruction Projects	None this period.			

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Roads

07-02-BURT	Lincoln Ripton Road "Pull Off"	01-08-07	ongoing	RW
Ron Wimett will complete this project by the next meeting.				

Miscellaneous

06-07-Daig	Daignault Property	04-24-06	Ongoing	DK
Awaiting hearing date from the Judicial Bureau. No further action at this time.				

07-06-GIFTKI	Middlebury College	03-12-07	ongoing	DK
<p>Tom Corbin of Middlebury College, will follow-up on the following points per the meeting of 03-12-07:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check with Middlebury College to see if there is a preference of Ripton taking the Gift in Kind in services or money • Whether or not Middlebury College wants to have Frost Road plowed • Add Ripton to the Middlebury College distribution list to automatically receive proof of liability insurance to be applied to the plowing of Class 4 Roads by the College. <p>No further information as of this meeting, Board Clerk will re-</p>				

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search status by next meeting.

Roads

07-08-STRGT	Structures Grant	03-12-07	ongoing	
The Sparks Brook/Peddler Bridge Culvert Project was hand delivered on 03 15 07. No further information at this time.				

07-08-BBRGT	Better Back Roads Grant	03-12 07	ongoing	
Project to be submitted is to remove two culverts and correct erosion on Barker Road between physical addresses #195 and #444. Application deadline is 03 30 07. No further information at this time.				

07-08-LIGHT	Town Building Lighting Efficiency	03-12-07	ongoing	
For work in the Community House and the Town Clerks Office for the purpose of increasing energy efficiency in the lighting of these two buildings. No report from Warren King as of this meeting; Board clerk to follow-up.				

Community House

07-09-COMHS	Community House Curtain	03-12-07	ongoing	
One curtain and its track have come down. The second curtain and track have been taken down. The Board Clerk will research estimates to replace the track and the curtain.				

07-10-COMHS	Community House and Coffee House	04-09-07	ongoing	
<p>Richard Ruane and Win Colwell discussed four items with the Board:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) The possibility of the Coffee House using the Community House in January and February. (2) The Coffee House replacing the stage (3) The Coffee House putting theater mounts in the balcony for lighting. (4) Renew the dialogue between the Coffee House and the Board, i.e. Town. <p><i>Item 1:</i> The Board set aside any decision on winter use. The issue is the reliability of the heating system.</p> <p><i>Item 2:</i> The Board requested details of the new stage, including a picture.</p> <p><i>Item 3:</i> The Board would like to see proposal for the mount and the lights that would be used, including what they would look like, how they would be used and electrical code requirements.</p> <p><i>Item 4:</i> The Board appreciated revisiting the relationship between the Town and the Coffee House. The Board requested that Mr. Ruane get a copy of the agreement to the Board Clerk with any requested</p>				

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changes marked, for further discussion. Nothing to report at this time.

Budget

07-09-BORO	Borrowing	03-26-07	ongoing	
The Town plans to repay \$15,000 to Ripton Elementary School for a loan to the Town by June 20, 2007.				
07-09-LOAN	Loan Payments	03-26-07	ongoing	
The Board voted to approve the borrowing of funds through a tax anticipation note. In the meantime, the Board continued to request via memo that the Treasurer research what the fees and procedures would be to change the loan payment date at Key Bank which holds the loan.				
07-10-DELTA	Delinquent Taxes	04-09-07	ongoing	
The Board is requesting the Delinquent Tax Collector to review the policy for collection of Delinquent Taxes as it relates to the status of individual property owners and to include that information in the next Delinquent Tax report.				
07-11-BRIDGE	2006 Bridge Report	04-16-07	04-16-07	
The Board reviewed the 2006 Bridge Report. A list of future projects for repair is being developed as a result of this review and discussion.				
07-11-FARMR	Farmers Market Concept	04-16-07	04-16-07	
There was a brief discussion of a possible Farmers Market in Ripton, which is in the preliminary planning stage. The Old Fire Station site was approved as a possibility.				

William Ford

Lauren Cox

Ronald Wimett