

TOWN OF RIPTON SELECTBOARD MINUTES

| Date: | Meeting No. | Start: | End: | Next Meeting | Next Time |
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| 6-23-08 | 2008-11 | 7:30 p.m. | 11:45 p.m. | 7-14-08 | 7:30 p.m. |
| Attendees: | William Ford, Laureen Cox, and Ronald Wimett, Selectboard and Debra Karpak, Clerk to the Selectboard | | | | |
| Visitors: | Lynn Coeby representing residents of Old Town Road seeking information in changing a Private Road to a Town Road. Ginny Sinclair, resident affected by storm damage of 6-14-08 to listen to Board discussion of incident. Willem Jewitt, resident and State Representative to discuss storm damage of 6-14-08, offer insight where possible, hear concerns. | | | | |
| Minutes: | Minutes of 6-09-08 were approved with corrections. | | | | |
| Approval / Actions: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Voted unanimously to resolve to borrow the sum of \$200,000 to be used for the emergency road repairs in anticipation of FEMA funding. Moved W. Ford, second L. Cox. • Voted unanimously to authorize the Town Treasurer to withdraw \$37,066.50 from the Major Project Fund for the payment of flood related bills. Moved L.Cox, second R. Wimett. • Voted unanimously to reconstruct the portion of the Dugway that was damaged in the Storm of 6-14-08 to the Dugway Road Improvements Master Plan dated 3-02-08. Moved L. Cox, second W. Ford. • Voted to repair all other roads damaged in the Storm of 6-14-08 to pre-existing condition. Moved W. Ford, second, L. Cox. Abstention, R. Wimett. | | | | |
| Orders: | Orders for 06-23-08 were reviewed and signed: Total for Roads: \$37,037.50 for this period. General Fund: \$71,87.58. | | | | |
| Reports: | | | | | |
| Delinquent Taxes | | | | | |
| Road Commissioner Report | Culverts/Bridges | Nothing to report as of the meeting of 6-23-08. | | | |
| | Gravel/Resurfacing | Nothing to report as of the meeting of 6-23-08. | | | |
| | Major Roads Reconstruction Projects | Nothing to report as of the meeting of 6-23-08. | | | |

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Roads

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| 08-03-RDWLIM | Weight Limits | 02-11-08 | Ongoing | DK |
| | The Board requested additional research regarding how to document post bridge weight limits since the bridge limits are higher than the Town of Ripton roads. Report of Board Clerk postponed to next meeting on 07-14-08. | | | |
| 08-03-RD125NT | Intersection RT 125 & Natural Turnpike | 02-11-08 | Ongoing | DK/RW |
| | Ronald Wimett will contact local VTrans personnel to discuss a partnership in increasing visibility at the intersection of RT 125 and Natural Turnpike. Update at meeting of 07-14-08. | | | |

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| 08-11-STMDA | Storm Damage 06-14-08 | 06-14-08 | Ongoing | |
| <p>The Board discussion included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General information sharing, organization and next steps. • Voted to reconstruct the portion of the Dugway that was damaged to the Dugway Road Improvements Master Plan dated 3-02-00 and to repair all other roads damaged to pre-existing condition. (<i>see Approval/Action Box above for voting detail</i>). This includes having the Road Commissioner make one lane passable, then a second with the exception of the Dugway whereby Champlain Construction will be hired to repair the damaged west end of the road including replacing culverts to the sizes recommended by Civil Engineering Associates. • The Road Commissioner will present a schedule of road reconstruction at the next meeting. • Assistance. To qualify to apply for federal funding, the state must meet FEMA's threshold of \$1 million in damage. As of the meeting, affected areas are in communication (Ripton, Middlebury, Rutland). Visits have occurred from FEMA and VTrans (Vermont Department of Transportation) and conversations with VEM (Vermont Emergency Management). • The Board approved borrowing money in anticipation of funding. • Damage to private roads and options for funding. | | | | |

Town Buildings

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| 08-03-TBLDCA | Town Buildings Caretaker | 02-11-08 | Ongoing | BD/PK |
| <p>The position has been posted at several locations in Ripton. Associate Board Clerk will post on Riptonite.</p> | | | | |

Grants

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| 08-04-STRGNT | Structures Grant | 02-25-08 | 06-23-08 | DK/RW |
| <p>In an e-mail dated 6-10-08, the Board Clerk was informed that applications for the Structures Grant mailed to the State 3-19-08 were not approved due to lack of state funding.</p> | | | | |

Miscellaneous

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| 08-09-FACRN | Facility Rental | 05-12-08 | Ongoing | |
| <p>The Board recently received information from the Vermont League of Cities and Towns regarding Model Facility Rental Agreements and Model Facility Use Policy. The Board Clerk will look at this information as it aligns with present practice and will report to the Board so that there is input to assure that the best interest of the Town is taken into consideration. A report was postponed to the meeting of 07-14-08</p> | | | | |

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| 08-09-LIAINS | Liability Insurance | 05-12-08 | Ongoing | |
| <p>The Board recently received information from the Vermont League of</p> | | | | |

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Cities and Towns regarding Tenant User Liability Insurance. The Board Clerk will look at this information as it aligns with present practice and will report to the Board so that there is input to assure that the best interest of the Town is taken into consideration. A report was postponed to the meeting of 07-14-08

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| 08-10-RSROD | Resident Group RE: Road Reclassification | 06-09-08 | 06-23-08 | |
| The Board provided information on Road Standards and the Class 4 Roads Policy. The discussion included options open to the residents to take the road from private status to a Town road. | | | | |

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| 08-11-NIMS | Emergency Management | 06-23-08 | Ongoing | |
| The Board discussed information received from Marty Whittemore, Town Emergency Management Officer and Tim Bouton, Senior Planner Addison County Regional Planning Commission re: National Incident Management System. The Board Clerk was requested to get more information from ACRPC for clarification as to the commitment to this system and the benefit to the Town to participate. | | | | |

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| 08-11-VEDAM | Letters from Residents RE: Vehicle Damage Storm 06-14-08 | 06-23-08 | 06-23-08 | |
| Two residents in separate incidents requested action by the Town for damages to their vehicles due to road erosion from the 6-14-08 storm. The Board requested the Board Clerk to issue letters to each stating that the Town insurance provider does not cover damage to privately owned vehicles and encouraged the residents to report the damage to their insurance company. | | | | |

William Ford

Lauren Cox

Ronald Wimett