

TOWN OF RIPTON SELECTBOARD MINUTES

Date:	Meeting No.	Start:	End:	Next Meeting	Next Time
04-25-11	2011-08	7:30	10:00	05-09-11	7:30 p.m.
Attendees:	Lauren Cox and Ronald Wimett, Selectboard; and Deb Karpak, Clerk to the Selectboard, Peter Karpak, Associate Clerk to the Selectboard.				
Visitors:	Alison Joseph, Vice Chair of the Planning Commission, to discuss the appointment and contract of Edmund Hanson, Zoning Administrator. (arrived 7:30 PM / departed 8:15PM) Amy Sheldon, Project Manager, for river stabilization project, to discuss the planting to be done along the river bank. (arrived 8:00 PM / departed 8:30)				
Minutes:	Approved and signed 4-11-11. Signed corrected minutes of 3-28-11.				
Approval / Actions:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Voted unanimously to appoint Edmund Hanson as Zoning Administrator. Moved Ronald Wimett, seconded Lauren Cox. • Voted unanimously to approve a \$2,000.00 advance, as start-up money to Susan Davis for doing the planting along the river bank in the stabilization project area. Moved Lauren Cox, seconded Ronald Wimett. 				
Orders:	Orders for 4-26-11 were reviewed and signed: Total for Roads: \$12,642.58 and the total for General Funds: \$6,320.28.				
Reports:					
Executive session					
Delinquent Taxes					
Road Commissioner Report:	Culverts/Bridges	Huttner Rd./Dragon Brook Rd. two culverts have settled leaving a dip in the road. This will be repaired by the next Selectboard meeting of 5-09-11.			
	Gravel	\$12,415.00 has been spent on gravel leaving approximately \$4,000.00 for gravel on shorter roads after they dry.			
	Resurfacing Paving:	Sweeping of paved roads will commence within the next two weeks.			
	Grading:	Summer road work schedule will be presented at the next Selectboard meeting.			
	Major Roads Recon- struction Projects	The Road Commissioner has met with Brandon Streicher from Phelp's Engineering and an engineer from Engineering Ventures about bridge #16. A proposal for repairs and replacing the railing will be presented at the next Selectboard meeting. Then it will go out to bid for the work.			
Signs	The Road Commissioner has ordered twelve more sign posts				

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09-27- SNDHL	Sand Hill Bridge Replacement	09-27-10	Ongoing	PK
	Selectboard Chair Lauren Cox has heard from Kristin Higgins, Structures Project Manager that there will be a meeting at the bridge site on Tuesday May 10 th from 1:30 PM to 3:30 PM to see the impact of a one -way temporary bridge. This project will not start until 2014.			
11-8-TOWREC	Town Records	11-08-10	Ongoing	PK
	The Selectboard has reviewed the policy submitted by the Town Clerk Sally Hoyler and agrees that there is merit in it. They would like an opportunity to talk about the procedures to implement it.			
	Town Office Maintenance	11-08-10	04-25-11	PK
	The Vault door was replaced on 4/14/11.			

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09-16-DATAB	Town Infrastructure Database	07-06-09	Ongoing	PK
<p>Database status: report from Peter Karpak, Associate Selectboard Clerk</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Culverts: Culvert map has been received. • Bridges: VCGI (Vermont Center for Geographical Information) database is in the process of being updated. Rick Kehne forwarded the GPS points to the Associate Selectboard Clerk on Friday 04-22-11. Completion of this should be by the meeting of 05-23-11. • Roads: The Road Commissioner and the Associate Selectboard Clerk have met and the forms updated and maps with 1/10 mile marks on each road have been produced and given to the Road Commissioner. 				
10-26-MIDRIV	River Stabilization and Grant	10-26-09	Ongoing	PK
<p>Amy Sheldon, Project Manager, was at the Selectboard meeting and has found an arborist to plant the willow shafts and plants along the river in the stabilization area. The planting should take place within the next couple of weeks. A \$2,000.00 start-up fee was voted on and approved. Some soil will be stored near the Town Office for this project. It was recommended that the soil be stored on the Community House side of the sliding board.</p>				
11-28-VTsigns	VTrans Sign Grant	03-28-11	Ongoing	PK
<p>Ronald Wimett, Road Commissioner has said that the signs will be in place by July 1st, 2011. The Road Commissioner has ordered twelve more sign posts.</p>				
11-28-ATNfee	Tax Sale Attorney Fees	03-28-11	04-25-11	PK
<p>The tax sale on the Kirchhoff property has been canceled as Mr. Kirchhoff has paid the back taxes and fees.</p>				

Topics discussed by the Selectboard:

Alison Joseph, Vice Chair of the Planning Commission was at this meeting and said that the Planning Commission approved Edmund Hanson's appointment to Zoning Administrator. Some minor changes to Mr. Hanson's three- year contract were also discussed.

The Selectboard Chair Lauren Cox is in the process of setting up a meeting with the town attorney to discuss the Middlebury College properties. This meeting will take place after June 2nd 2011.

Selectboard revisited the All-Hazard Mitigation Plan and the comments offered by the Ripton Planning Commission dated April 18, 2011. Selectboard member Richard Collitt will review for any further comments.

Lauren Cox

Ronald Wimett

Richard Collitt