

Ripton Selectboard Meeting Minutes				
Date	Meeting No.	Call to order	Call to adjourn	Next Meeting
03-10-2014	2014-07	7:30 p.m.	10:50 p.m.	03-24-2014, 7:30 p.m., town office
Attendees	Laureen Cox, Ronald Wimett, Richard Collitt, selectboard; Alison Joseph, board clerk.			
Minutes	Approved: Minutes of 02-24-14.			
Orders	Approved: Roads: \$10,001.33, General Fund: \$20,884.48.			
Officer reports	Delinquent tax collector, 16,378.22 due; treasurer, fund balances, profit & loss reports - changes to noted; zoning administrator, 2 applications in Feb.			
Actions	<p>Unless otherwise noted, motions are made by R. Collitt (RC), seconded by R. Wimett (RW), and approved by all – including chair L. Cox (LC).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elected selectboard chair: Laureen Cox. • Adopted rules of procedure: <i>Roberts Rules of Order</i>. • Set meeting schedule: 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month, 7:30 p.m., town office. • Appointed clerk of the board: Alison Joseph. • Approved that the board clerk prepare the agenda. • Continued 12-03-12 approval that at meetings attended by two board members, one board member may sign road orders and two sign general fund orders. • Approved newspaper of record: <i>Addison Independent</i>. • Approved road maintenance and repair agreement with Maiden Lane Contractors (moved RC second LC, RW abstained). • Appointed town officers: animal control officer - Chris Smith, tree warden - Freeman Allen, fence viewer - Gary Whitman, weigher of coal - Richard Collitt (moved RW second LC, RC abstained), inspector of lumber, shingles & wood - Millard Cox (moved RC second RW, LC abstained). • Appointed ACSWMD delegates: Steve Zwicky, Jay Harrington (alternate); • Approved liquor licenses: Chipman Inn; Ripton Country Store (moved RW second LC, RC abstained). • Approved tobacco license: Ripton Country Store (moved RW second LC, RC abstained). • Approved Homeward Bound animal holding facility contract, \$400. 			
Roads Report				
General	Freezing, thawing and refreezing of culverts and ditches continues. Discussion included long-term planning for road maintenance, and finding a new site for the sand pile.			
Grants	Holden Engineering will schedule a visit per their offer of free grant review services. A class 2 road grant application to extend the culvert north of Baker Bridge, as recommended by the 2013 Baker Bridge study, is underway.			
Old Business				
Midd. College	The board's proposed changes to a contract agreement with the college were reviewed.			
Town buildings	The Community House floor refinishing project, floor mats, and ice were discussed.			
HMGP - Hazard Mitigation Grants	It will be at least 3-9 months until grant awards for town office and Community House flood mitigation projects are decided. Establishing base flood elevations was discussed.			
Sand Hill Bridge	The Feb. 26 th VTrans public information meeting, road closures, detours, signs, and school bus timing were discussed.			
Town meeting	Discussion and voting were reviewed.			
Cemeteries	Certified election results for 5 cemetery commissioners were received from the clerk. Commissioners and their terms are: Charles Billings (1-yr), Lisa Knickerbocker (2-yrs), Elizabeth Walker (3-yrs), Cheryl Larocque (4-yrs), Bonnie Swan (5-yrs).			
Dogs	A response to the Feb. 15 th attack by the Cherouny/Jewett dogs near 565 Peddlers Bridge Rd. was signed. The board discussed annual requirements for lists, census, and enforcement.			
New Business	Sheriff's Dept. report, VT Local Roads letter - filed; Senator Chris Bray question – selectboard			
Correspondence	response is to retain 8% delinquent tax penalty.			

Laureen Cox

Ronald Wimett

Richard Collitt