

Ripton Selectboard Meeting Minutes

Date	Meeting No.	Call to order	Call to adjourn	Next Meeting
06-09-2014	2014-13	7:30 p.m.	8:55 p.m.	06-23-2014, 7:30 p.m., town office
Attendees	Ronald Wimett, Richard Collitt, selectboard; Alison Joseph, board clerk.			
Actions: Unless noted, motions/seconds are by R. Collitt (RC), R. Wimett (RW), approval by all.				
Approved: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minutes of 05-28-14, draft amended then approved. • Orders: Roads: \$5,718.85; General Fund: \$7,474.03. • License Agreement – Listers' computer program. • To begin legal work and land survey for land donation from College to Town for Galvin Cemetery. • Acting zoning administrator work pay rate: \$16.00 per hour. • Use of Community House tables in parking and lawn areas during July 5th yard sale. 				
Appointed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health Officer, 3-year term: Timothy Hanson. • A second animal control officer: Elizabeth Walker. • Addison County Regional Planning Commission (ACRPC) delegates: Jeremy Grip, Marty Kulczyk; • Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) delegates: Steve Zwicky, Jonathan Heppell. 				
Roads Report				
General	Grading done on the Lincoln Rd. and Robbins Crossroad is holding up. The Dugway and south/west end of the North Branch Rd. need grading.			
Culverts	Culvert work is the next work to do. When reviewing road orders culvert costs were discussed. Gravel purchased for culvert work is billed to the culvert budget line.			
Culvert study	Two proposals were received for the " <i>Peddlers Bridge Road Culverts Disaster Resiliency Study</i> " funded by the ACRPC TAC.			
Road mapping	The board reviewed a letter from the state about Acts 178 and 158 and the requirement that all class 1,2,3 and 4 town highways and trails appear on town highway maps by July 1, 2015.			
Old Business				
Sand Hill Bridge	State project manager, Jennifer Fitch, denied Ripton's request for reimbursement for wear and tear to the Dugway and North Branch roads because Ripton roads were not part of the locally approved detour route. A complaint about lack of signage in Ripton about North Branch Rd. closures in Middlebury was reported to Ms. Fitch. Mr. Wimett knew the closure was due to a town of Middlebury culvert project, not to the Sand Hill Bridge project.			
Bridge detour & Addison County Sheriff	Increasing sheriff's deputy patrol hours on Route 125 during Route 73 bridge closures, with total monthly patrol hours to increase from 25 to 60, written confirmation of the increase, and contract renewal were discussed.			
Town buildings	Community House: Storage during the floor refinishing and painting projects is to be determined, with rental of a storage unit likely. Town office: Touch-up painting of the west exterior wall of the town office and the west door handle were discussed. Town shed: Trash dumping continues.			
Town office staff, projects	The town clerk is training new assistants.			
Cemeteries	Via email from Charles Billings the selectboard was notified the college will donate 1.4 acres of land for Galvin Cemetery. Proposals for survey and engineering work at Galvin and Cook cemeteries were distributed. The board will proceed with the work required for land acquisition in the current budget year. Progress on bylaws was discussed.			
Dogs	Elizabeth Walker attended the "Municipal Dog Control Workshop". Ms. Walker was appointed as a second animal control officer, primarily to assist with follow-up of unlicensed dogs. Unlicensed dogs and a dog previously complained about (Henry, 21 Murray Lane) remain problems.			
Zoning Admin.	A candidate is scheduled for interview at the June 10 th planning commission meeting. Warren King completed work for the acting zoning administrator, Richard Collitt. A pay rate of \$16.00			

	per hour for this work was approved.
ACRPC delegates	Appointments were finalized with Jeremy Grip (delegate), Marty Kulczyk (alternate) Addison County Regional Planning Commission (ACRPC); and Steve Zwicky (delegate), Jonathan Heppell (alternate) to the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC).
New Business	
Officer Reports	Delinquent tax collector: \$14,563.25 due; Drummond tax discussed. Treasurer: bank balances, income & expense to date reports, reviewed.
Recent concerns	Discussion included: tree trimming and trees on wires; trash left by campers.
Correspondence	Dept. of Taxes –notification of new exemptions for 2015; Brook Field Service – generator service report, thermostat to be replaced; VLCT symposium; VT Local Roads (VLR) newsletters and notice of transfer to the Vermont Transportation Training Center (VTTC); email request for use of Community House tables at a yard sale July 5 th in the parking area – approved.

Ronald Wimett

Richard Collitt