

Town of Ripton Selectboard Meeting Minutes

Date	Meeting No.	Call to order	Call to adjourn	Next Meeting
11-24-2014	2014-25	7:30 p.m.	9:30 p.m.	12-08-14, 7:30, town office
Members present	Chair Lauren Cox, Richard Collitt, Ronald Wimett.			
Visitors/participants	Gail Lewis, 7:30-7:40; Selectboard administrator, Alison Joseph.			
Motions/votes	<p>Motions/seconds are by Richard Collitt/Ronald Wimett (RC/RW), approval by all unless otherwise noted. Unanimously approved:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minutes of 11-10-14. • Mailing an annual bill for dog licenses to dog owners. • Orders: General Fund \$793,963.23 and Roads \$21,725.47. 			
Agenda & Discussion				
1. Agenda	No changes.			
2. Visitors	Ms. Lewis attended from 7:30 – 7:40 p.m. to discuss Old Town Road. See Old Business, 5.a. Old Town Rd./Old Center Turnpike right-of-way.			
3. Minutes	Approved minutes of 11-02-14.			
4. Old Business				
a. Old Town Rd./Old Center Turnpike pike right-of-way	Ms. Lewis and the board discussed road classification, maintenance, Potash Bridge, an easement for a portion of trail, mapping requirements, and grants. (note related items: 4.c. and 5.a.)			
b. Roads	Guardrail installation is expected by mid-Dec. A landslide area on the class 4 portion of the Wagon Wheel Rd. (TH15) will be stabilized with stone.			
c. Road grants	<p>Structures grant: culvert extension near Baker Bridge (B2, TH1), guardrail is to be installed before mid-Dec.</p> <p>Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) FY 2014 grant, Peddlers Bridge Rd. culvert study: a draft report is available for the next meeting. A TAC FY 2015 grant proposal to follow-up on the Old Center Turnpike right-of-way study was not funded, but TAC members asked that the application be resubmitted for FY2016.</p>			
d. Act 148 - recycling	The 11-10-14 discussion with Addison County Solid Waste Management District (ACSWMD) Teresa Kuczynski, District Manager, Donald Maglienti, Program Manager, and residents about Act 148 requirements for 2017 was reviewed.			
e. Cemeteries	The commission requested and will be given help with a 2015-16 budget. A draft deed for Galvin Cemetery expansion was reviewed.			
f. Town buildings	Julie Allen resigned from cleaning town buildings and managing Community House rentals effective Jan. 1, 2015. Filling the positions was discussed.			
g. Open meeting law	No update, 2015-16 costs of compliance and the website were proposed for discussion at the next meeting.			
h. Dogs	Discussion included dogs still not licensed, the time/expense spent on follow-up of unlicensed dogs, and an annual bill to prompt licensure (see motions/votes).			
i. Budget/audit	Requested 12-month stipend payments. Reviewed collateralization agreement, VLCT checklist.			
5. New Business				
a. Trail ordinance & policy	Revisions to the <i>Ordinance Governing Use of Town Trails</i> and the <i>Town Policy on Class 4 Roads and Trails</i> were proposed. These are intended to allow continued vehicle use on developed portions of the Old Town Road right-of-way.			

b. Correspondence	Asst. Judges of Addison County invitation to budget meeting; VLCT dues notice.
6. Next meeting	12-08-14: the clerk/ treasurer will be invited to discuss the 2015-16 budget, open meeting law requirements, VLCT proposed town policies and checklist.
7. Bills/orders	Reviewed, approved roads and general fund orders. The general fund orders include payments to the school districts (see motions/votes).

Lauren Cox

Ronald Wimett

Richard Collitt