

## Town of Ripton Select Board Meeting Minutes

Date	Meeting No.	Call to order	Call to adjourn	Next Regular Meeting
<b>06-08-2015</b>	2015-14	7:30 p.m.	9:35 p.m.	06-22-15, 7:30, town office
<b>Present: Members Staff Visitor</b>	Chair Laureen Cox, Richard Collitt, Ronald Wimett Alison Joseph, board clerk/administrator Gail Lewis, resident, 7:35-8:00			
<b>Motions/votes</b>	<p>Motions moved by Richard Collitt, seconded by Ronald Wimett, approved by all except where noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minutes of 05-25-15</li> <li>• Turn-around signs for Old Town Road</li> <li>• Request for survey of bypass trail by Short Surveying</li> <li>• Addition of days and funds for Webb Tree Services for clearing hanging tree branches as part of the debris clean-up for FEMA DRV4027, the Dec. 2015 storm</li> <li>• Community House rental request for serving alcohol (Dunn, 07-26-15)</li> <li>• Orders: General Fund \$4,094.70, Roads \$8,171.48</li> </ul> <p>The following was moved for consideration by Richard Collitt, seconded by Ronald Wimett, denied by all:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Middlebury Regional EMS (MREMS) request for \$1,470 for their fiscal year 2016, from the select board in Ripton's current budget year.</li> </ul>			
<b>Agenda &amp; Discussion</b>				
<b>1. Agenda</b>	No changes			
<b>2. Discussion with visitors Old Town Road</b>	Gail Lewis of 635 Old Town Road and the board discussed signs, a survey of the legal trail bypass, maintenance responsibilities, Potash Bridge decking and rating, revisions to the Trail Ordinance, user conflicts/requests for non-permitted use. The board continued discussion after Ms. Lewis left the meeting and approved signs, requesting a survey by Short Surveying, and that Ms. Cox and Ms. Joseph identify the path route with the surveyor and property owners.			
<b>3. Minutes</b>	Approved minutes of 05-25-15			
<b>4. Old Business</b>				
a. Roads	Grading: Lincoln Rd postponed until after the June 13, Gran Fondo bike event. Chloride: tank is on the truck and ready to go. Gravel: holding off until the July 1 budget year. Paving: patched potholes, with some small ones remaining to be patched. Bridges: reviewed a quote for Potash Bridge work and discussed funding. Dick Hosking of VTrans will be consulted before further action is taken.			
b. FEMA DR4207	The hanging limb "hanger" removal on the asphalt tar roads is done. Work continues on dirt roads, with more required than originally scheduled. Additional days of work were approved.			
c. Dogs	A letter from Nola Kevra of 2936 Natural Turnpike and notes from Mary Johnson Children's Center staff and students requesting reconsideration of Nola's dog Greta's move from Ripton were read. Given the number of written and verbal complaints reporting violent incidents by Greta, the board remains firm that this dog not be in town. The Natural Turnpike resident about whom there were dog complaints submitted at the May 25th meeting is Kendra Lawton.			
d. Staff/office	Discussed: the mandatory training for the new statewide voter checklist attended by the clerk - all positive; a Florida firm's request for 2010-15 payment records; 2014-15 audit.			

<b>5. New Business</b>	
a. Officer report	Delinquent tax collector: \$26,963.09 due
b. Correspondence	N. Kevra & Mary Johnson's Children Center letter and notes (see 4.c. dogs); Sheriff's Dept. reports; VT Local Roads newsletter & training sessions; VLCT News; Middlebury Regional EMS request for funds in current year - discussed that MMRES may request funds for Ripton's subsequent fiscal years by petition, as other agencies do, for approval by the voters, denied request (see motions/votes).
<b>6. Next meeting</b>	06-22-15 Agenda: old business items from these minutes, new business
<b>7. Bills/orders</b>	Approved roads and general fund orders (see motions/votes)

Laureen Cox

Ronald Wimett

Richard Collitt