

## Town of Ripton Selectboard Meeting Minutes

Date	Meeting	Call to order	Call to adjourn	Next Regular Meeting
04-25-2016	2016-08	7:00 p. m.	9:15 p.m.	05-09-16, 7:00 p.m., town office
<b>Present:</b>	Chair Laureen Cox, Perry Hanson, Ronald Wimett; Alison Joseph, clerk/admin			
<b>Motions/votes</b>	<p>Moved/seconded/approved by R. Wimett and L. Cox:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minutes of 04-11-16</li> </ul> <p>Moved/seconded by R. Wimett and P. Hanson, approved by all:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Per 19 VSA § 708(a) to reclassify a portion of Old Town Road from Class 4 to Class 3, said portion from the edge of Rte 125 southwest 500 feet to a turn-around point at the first driveway on the left</li> <li>• Per 19 VSA § 709 to hold a road reclassification hearing June 13, 2016, 7:00 p.m. at Old Town Road to examine the premises and hear persons interested</li> <li>• Replacement of the Community House kitchen floor by Countryside Carpet &amp; Paint, not to exceed \$2,000</li> <li>• Orders: General Fund \$15,234.20 plus payroll \$4,221.49</li> </ul> <p>Moved/seconded/approved by P. Hanson, L. Cox:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Orders: Roads: \$11,560.00</li> </ul>			
<b>Agenda &amp; Discussion</b>				
<b>1. Agenda</b>	Added a complaint to New Business			
<b>2. Visitors</b>	None			
<b>3. Minutes</b>	Approved minutes of 04-11-16			
<b>4. Roads</b>				
a. Road commissioner	<p>Sweeping: done</p> <p>Paving: inspected, prioritized Natural Turnpike segments for paving – 181 to 398 Natural Tpik and 1078 to 4-corners</p> <p>Gravel: hauled 36 loads to Goshen Rd/FR 32, Wagon Wheel Rd next</p> <p>Culverts: culvert 1C36 on the Lincoln Rd is filled, to be cleaned</p> <p>Class 4 road work: may begin on Wagon Wheel and Pearl Lee Rds</p> <p>Major project work: may begin at top of Frost Rd</p> <p>Frost Road: A contractor dug across Frost Road without a permit. Green Mountain Power and contractor ECI must provide documentation showing the location of the utility lines they buried under the road.</p> <p>Road work rates: reviewed</p> <p>A truck's hydraulic oil leak on Rte 125 was discussed.</p>			
b. Old Town Rd	<p>Moved and voted for reclassification of a segment from Rte 125 to a turn-around point and a June 13<sup>th</sup> date for the road reclassification (see motions/votes).</p> <p>Survey and legal work continue.</p> <p>The road crew moved the road weight limit sign from the bridge to a location southwest of the bridge.</p>			
c. Grants	Submitted grant applications to VTrans for a road inventory, N Branch Rd culverts, Brooks Rd riverbank stabilization, Lincoln Rd culvert. and paving			
<b>5. Old Business</b>				
a. Town properties	<p><u>Town shed</u>: Trash and discarded household items and the work Lyle Webb and recycling committee volunteers Mark Nelson, Mac Cox, Steve Zwicky, Warren and Barry King do to clean the shed was discussed. The requirement to accept yard waste effective July 1, 2016 was reviewed.</p> <p><u>Footbridge</u>: Phil Beaudoin is not available for winter maintenance; ideas for someone to replace him were discussed.</p> <p><u>Generator grant application</u>: HMGP grant reviewers asked for historic district commission input with greater detail than the meeting minutes that show the</p>			

	<p>commission's general support.</p> <p><u>Town Office &amp; Community House repairs</u>: approved work to be done by the handyman - painting, faucet repair; and Community House kitchen floor replacement by a vendor – see motions votes.</p>
b. Town Charter anniversary	There was good turnout for the supper at the Community House to celebrate the anniversary of the Town Charter. Holding additional events such as a pot-luck a few weeks prior to town meeting, food vendors and sales were discussed.
c. Sign	Mountain Signs provided a model "Ripton chartered 1781" sign; cost and siting proposals are anticipated.
<b>6. New Business</b>	
a. Complaint	Michelle Cyr filed a complaint by phone to the selectboard chair about her neighbor Chris Smith, a town officer, and animal complaint issues.
b. VLCT payroll audit	A representative of VLCT completed an on-site payroll audit, and provided new non-employee work agreement forms. As of 2015-16 towns are charged for worker's compensation coverage for work performed by private contractors who do not carry coverage. A report and bill will follow.
c. Correspondence	Workshops, invitations, budget report, culvert policy question, Dept. of Taxes fraud alert
<b>d. Next meeting</b>	05-09-16 Agenda: auditor, items from minutes, officer reports, new business
<b>e. Review/sign</b>	Reviewed bills, approved orders

Laureen Cox

Perry Hanson

Ronald Wimett