

Town of Ripton Selectboard Meeting Minutes

Date	Meeting	Call to order	Call to adjourn	Next Regular Meeting
08-22-2016	2016-15	7:00 p.m.	9:30 p.m.	09-12-16, 7:00 p.m., Town Shed, after discussion move to Town Office
Present	Selectboard: Laurie Cox, Perry Hanson, Ronald Wimett Administrator/clerk: Alison Joseph Dickinson Community member: Frank Wolf for item 2. Present 7:05- 7:35			
Motions/votes	Moved/seconded by R. Wimett/P. Hanson, approved by all: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minutes of 08-08-16 • That the zoning administrator request an agreement with the owner of 1407 Lincoln Rd for clean-up of the parcel, with a cost-share component including neighbors, use of local contractors, and a 4-week timeframe, as in Plan A presented by F. Wolf • Planting bed clean-up by B. & C. Andrews, \$480.00 • Orders: General Fund \$1,481.04 bills, \$4,512.25 payroll Moved/seconded/approved by L. Cox and P. Hanson: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Orders: Roads \$4,512.25 bills, \$300.00 payroll 			
Agenda & Discussion				
1. Agenda	Added item 7.b. Internet service coverage			
2. Visitors	Following up on the previous meeting, Frank Wolf and the selectboard continued discussion of 1407 Lincoln Rd. He requested a specific statement to assure realtors and potential buyers that there is a plan to clean-up 1407 Lincoln Rd. Mr. Wolf presented <i>“The case to eradicate junkyards in Ripton, and the one at 1407 Lincoln Rd in particular”</i> including five plans for action. Discussion included other parcels with accumulation of junk or vehicles. See motions/votes above for the decision to pursue Plan A.			
3. Minutes	Amended and approved minutes of 07-25-16			
4. Roads				
a. Road commissioner report	Summer maintenance: Gravel roads on the school bus route will be graded by the start of school. Gravel was spread on the N Branch Rd and erosion at the corners of Barker Rd and County Crossroad repaired. Brush-cutting and chipping were done on Natural Tpike and Steam Mill Rd.			
b. Old Town Rd	A verbal complaint about brush-cutting in the r.o.w. and lack of notice was discussed.			
c. Grants	The Lincoln Rd culvert extension project is nearly done. Traffic counts for the road and culvert inventory are underway. The Brooks Rd bank stabilization documents were received, signed and returned to VTrans for final approval.			
5. Old Business				
a. School & fire station	Short Surveying’s proposal was forwarded to the school board for approval and payment of the retainer fee.			
b. Town properties	Town shed: discussed waste disposal, signs, proposed use of cameras, land Grounds: approved a one-time clean-up of the planting beds estimated at \$480			
c. Complaints	Lincoln Rd properties – discussed addresses 1198, 1276, 1407, 4155 and concerns for owners of property abutting 1407 in particular, see item 2 and motions/votes			
d. VLCT contract requirements	Reviewed model contracts, discussed requirements versus recommendations			
e. Other – from minutes	Charter date sign: reported site approval to Mountain Signs Tax rate: the tax commissioner will correct an error in the education tax rate			
6. New Business				
a. Correspondence	Planning commission request that the selectboard pursue a future site for the sandpile			

	and recycling/yard and food waste; zoning administrator re Lincoln Rd properties, PSB Order, VTrans grant monitoring report; VTrans programs; VLCT workshops, VT Local Rds workshops and Email discussion topics
b. Internet service	The board is aware of problems with Internet service reliability throughout town and will include this item on the 09-26-16 agenda.
c. Next meeting	09-12-16 Agenda: discussion with recycling committee at town shed 7:00 p.m., continue at town office for items from minutes, new business
d. Review/sign	Bills/orders

Lauren Cox

Perry Hanson

Ronald Wimett