

## TOWN OF RIPTON SELECTBOARD MINUTES

<b>Date:</b>	<b>Meeting No.</b>	<b>Start:</b>	<b>End:</b>	<b>Next Meeting</b>	<b>Next Time</b>
12-11-06	2006-23	7:30	10:15	1-2-07	7:30 p.m.
<b>Attendees:</b>	William Ford, Laureen Cox, and Ronald Wimett, Selectboard and Debra Karpak, Board Clerk				
<b>Visitors:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Paul Forlenza, Addison County Teens/Teen Center</li> <li>• Residents of Maiden Lane/Peddlers Bridge: Connie &amp; Steve Laplant, Ed &amp; Kathleen Sullivan, Carolyn Malzac &amp; Joseph Charest</li> <li>• James Daignault Sr. &amp; James Daignault Jr.</li> <li>• Warren King, representing the Alternative Energy Group</li> </ul>				
<b>Minutes:</b>	Minutes of 11-13-06 and 11-27-06 to be approved at next meeting.				
<b>Approval Actions:</b>	Voted not to accept the request of the George Aiken to waive the petition process and ask the Town of Ripton to allocate \$100 toward a donation.				
<b>Orders:</b>	Orders for 12-11-06 were reviewed and signed. Total for Roads: \$9,218.01. General Fund: \$103,907.14.				
<b>Budget:</b>					
<b>Reports:</b>					
<b>Delinquent Taxes</b>	Delinquent Tax Collector Report: As of 12/5/06, total delinquent taxes for 2004, 2005 and 2006 due, including interest and fees, are \$44,655.32. Total 2004 delinquent taxes due, including interest and fees, are \$1,053.91. Total 2005 delinquent taxes due, including interest and fees, are \$9,459.36. Total 2006 delinquent taxes due, including interest and fees, are \$34,142.05.				
<b>Road Commissioner Report</b>	Culverts/Bridges	All in.			
	Gravel/Resurfacing	Completed.			
	Major Roads Reconstruction Projects	See Major Projects below			

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### Roads

06-15-RDSMP	<b>Major Projects</b>	08-14-06	12-11-06	RW
Work on Robbins Cross completed for the season.				

06-21-RDGRD	<b>Grading</b>	11-13-06	12-11-06	RW
Grading on North Branch completed. Ripton Town Parking Lot completed.				

### Miscellaneous

06-07-Daig	<b>Daignault Property</b>	04-24-06	Ongoing	DK
<p>The letter regarding violation of the Junk Ordinance has been sent. Mr. Daignault received the letter on 12-05-06.</p> <p>Mr. Daignault attended the meeting and asked for clarification of the Junk Ordinance. The Board explained the procedure whereby the present Ordinance went into effect. Mr. Daignault said that he would look into what needed to be done to have the property in compliance.</p>				

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He left with the Zoning Administrator's telephone number.
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06-15-FIRMA	<b>Fire Station Materials</b>	08-14-06	12-11-06	DK
The outcome of the Board Chair's conversation with Morton Building is that materials can be stored any way that it is convenient for the Fire Station; no specific recommendations or conditions.				

06-23-ACTCT	<b>Addison County Teens/Teen Center</b>	12-11-06	12-11-06	
<p>A representative of the Teen Center attended the meeting to inform the Board of the agreement arrived at between Addison County Teens and the Russ Shoales Senior Center and the Town of Middlebury. The Teen Center will share the space at the Russ Shoals Senior Center without a rental fee. The Steering committee is proposing a budget of \$50,000 to cover the salary and benefits of a Program Coordinator. This would be a Middlebury Town position through the Recreation Department. The fiscal agent is the Parent/Child Center. The plan is to fund this endeavor through private funds as well as through funding from the "feeder" towns of Middlebury/East Middlebury, Ripton, Cornwall, Weybridge, Salisbury, Bridport. The Committee is requesting \$1,500 be put in the Ripton Town budget. The Board will take this under consideration. In addition, the Board suggested a petition as is circulated for a variety of service agencies in Addison County. The Steering Committee will inform the Board as to which direction they will take.</p>				

06-23-MAIDL	<b>Maiden Lane/Peddlers Bridge</b>	12-11-06	ongoing	
<p>Residents of Maiden Lane and Peddlers Bridge came to discuss their concerns regarding property at Lots 5 and 6 on Wimett Lane. The concerns toward Lots 5 and 6 are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Logging</li> <li>• Heavy equipment</li> <li>• Limitation of deed for residential only; not commercial</li> <li>• Noise level of vehicles, i.e. loud muffler sounds</li> <li>• Activity late at night</li> <li>• Number of people allowed to occupy the residence</li> <li>• Diesel odor</li> </ul> <p>The residents stated that they had taken this matter to both the Zoning Board and the Zoning Administrator.</p> <p>The Board will review the permits and deeds for the property and follow-up with the Zoning Administrator. Residents should review Selectboard Meeting Agendas and Minutes to be informed.</p>				

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06-23-ALTEN	<b>Alternative Energy Group</b>	12-11-06	ongoing	
The Alternative Energy Group is investigating a variety of means to increase the energy efficiency, especially lighting of the Town Clerks Office and the Community House.				

William Ford

Laureen Cox

Ronald Wimett