

Minutes of the Selectboard Meeting of Wednesday, June 22, 2005 at 6:30 PM

Members present: Alison May, Chair; Jack Candon; Ed Childs; Gerard Chapdelaine; Stephen Soares, Town Manager; Nancy Kramer, Administrative Assistant

There were about 9 people in the audience.

Also participating: Ernie Ciccotelli, Chris Katucki, Cheryl Lindberg, Jeff Mathias, Chief Doug Robinson, Henry Scheier, Linda White

May opened the meeting at 6:00 pm.

1. Litigation (Executive Session may be Required). Pursuant to Title 1 VSA § 313(a)(1), Chapdelaine **moved** (2nd Childs) to move into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing litigation and to invite Steve Soares and Frank Olmstead to join the session. **Motion passed**. Candon recused himself from this session. No action was taken.

At 6:40 pm the Selectboard moved into public session.

2. Approval of Agenda (Action Item). Childs **moved** to approve with one additional item (2nd Chapdelaine). **Motion passed**.

3. Public Comments (Discussion). None.

4. Town Manager's Report (Discussion). The Corridor Steering Committee last met on June 14th with Jane Brown and Dave Lathrop, VTrans personnel, to go over proposed landscape design changes and to discuss proposed new "phasing in" approach. Details of this meeting will be presented as correspondence for the July 13th Selectboard meeting. Soares met with the Norwich Land Management Council to discuss tax status of various Water District parcels, trails, etc. Soares reported that flowers have been done in the barrels outside Tracy Hall, volunteers from the Norwich Women's Club have revived the Triangle and median work will be starting soon. The dam at the Norwich Pool has failed and Jill Kearney is working on a plan using designated funds to fix the problem as soon as possible. Soares met with John Fay from GUVSWD to discuss recycling/waste disposal at the Norwich Solid Waste facility. Changes being discussed include adding a container for glass with potential savings to the Town of up to \$10,000. The goal is to have the new process in place by early July.

5. Finance – Board to Sign Accounts Payable/Warrants (Action Item). Chapdelaine **moved** (2nd Childs) to approve Check Warrant Reports # 05-46 and 05-47 in the amounts of \$81,687.04 and \$23,271.00, respectively, for the period from 06/09/2005 to 06/22/2005. **Motion passed**.

The Selectboard directed Soares to inform Department Heads that all future accounts payable warrants submitted to the Selectboard as part of their Selectboard packet shall not be changed prior to the Selectboard meeting except for emergencies and payroll related items (such as FICA, etc.).

6. 6:45 pm Development Review Board (DRB) Interviews/Appointments (Action Item). Three applicants (Ernie Ciccotelli, Chris Katucki and Linda White) were interviewed for the 3 three-year seats and 1 three-year alternate seat. One applicant (Shep Butler) was unable to attend. After some discussion mostly regarding the one open alternate seat, the Selectboard voted unanimously to reappoint Chris Katucki to a three-year term ending June 30, 2008. Shep Butler (Childs, Chapdelaine and May voting yes; Candon voting no) and Ernie Ciccotelli (Candon, Chapdelaine and May voting yes; Childs voting no) were also reappointed to three-year terms ending June 30, 2008. Candon stated he was voting with the hope that Shep would be willing to accept the alternate position. Likewise, Childs stated he was voting with the hope that Ernie would be willing to accept the alternate position. Linda White was offered and turned down the three-year alternate seat.

7. Report on VLCT's workshop "Planning and Zoning Series #4: Who's Got the Power? Roles and Responsibilities!" (Chapdelaine) (Discussion). Chapdelaine stated that the Vermont Regional Planning Commission and VLCT sponsored the workshop. The workshop lasted about two hours and was done by interactive TV. Each location was given a problem separately and then results were discussed with all. Chapdelaine said he found the experience "very rewarding", a good training session with wonderful materials.

8. Conservation Commission Chapter 117 Changes (Discussion/Possible Action). After some discussion regarding the changes made in July, 2004 to the Vermont Statutes, the Selectboard advised Soares to discuss the matter with Dechert and bring it back before the board at a later meeting.

9. Ordinance to Regulate Street Vendors (Action Item). Pursuant to Title 24 VSA § 1971, Childs **moved** (2nd Candon) that the Selectboard adopt an Ordinance Regulating Street Vendors and Door-to-Door Solicitors with the following change to General Provisions Section G:

Strike current verbiage and insert: "Minors, independent of an organization, may have a lemonade stand or similar stand and not trigger this ordinance."

Motion passed.

Soares advised the Selectboard that the Police Department will maintain, for informational purposes only, a list of people who do not wish to be solicited.

10. Correspondence

- a) TRORC Minutes of the May 25, 2005 Meeting.
- b) Letter from Attorney Olmstead Re: Sullivan Tax Appeal
- c) Email from Minnie Slater for Arthur Owen Re: Visit by Jeffrey Mathias

Childs **moved** (2nd Chapdelaine) to receive all correspondence. **Motion passed.**

11. Selectboard

- a) Approval of the Minutes of the 6/8/05 meeting (Action Item). Candon **moved** (2nd Chapdelaine) to approve. **Motion passed.**

12. Personnel Matters (Executive Session may be Required). Pursuant to Title 1 VSA § 313(a)(3), Chapdelaine **moved** (2nd Childs) to move into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters and to invite Steve Soares and Chief Doug Robinson to join the session. No action was taken.

Childs **moved** (2nd Chapdelaine) to adjourn. **Motion passed.** Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Approved by the Selectboard on July 13, 2005.

By Nancy Kramer
Administrative Assistant

Alison May
Selectboard Chair

Special Selectboard Meeting – July 6, 2005 at 5:30 PM (To Set Tax Rate)

Next Regular Meeting – July 13, 2005 at 6:30 pm

Pending Items:

- 1) Develop List (Cycle) for all Departments Operations Review

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