

**Town of New Haven Selectmen's Meeting**  
**7:00 PM Town Clerks Office**  
**Tuesday June 7, 2005**

Present: Larry Buck, Amos Roleau III, Paul Audy, Barb Torian  
Others: Phil Busier, David Whitcomb, Harvey Smith, Betty Bell, Susie Leonard, Rick Kehne, Suzy Roorda, Jim and Cathy Walsh, Jim Newton, Susan Dann, Polly Darnel, Denise Many.

**AGENDA: Results**

Read and approve minutes make corrections if needed.

**7:00 - ROAD CREW UPDATE**

- **Oil Bids** – 2 bids received. Opened at meeting. B&W Fuels .06 over NY Mercantile. Champlain Oil .17 over NY Mercantile. Larry Buck called B&W Fuels to confirm that the bid was over the NY Mercantile and requested it be put in writing. Larry Buck motion to accept the low bid from B&W based on the NY Mercantile price of that day. Second by Amos Roleau. All agree. Follow up – B&W withdrew their bid and bid was given to Champlain Oil.
- Grader – Will purchase for 115,000.00. Loan from Chittenden. Will sign paper work at next meeting.
- Insurance - New Road crew person would like to purchase health insurance prior to waiting period. Select Board decided it would be O.K. for new full time employees to pay for their own insurance during the trial period.
- Road Access Fee – Increased to \$50.00. Motion by Amos Roleau III, Second by Larry Buck. All agree.
- Guide lines for a fire call during working hours – Will be left to Phil Busier's discretion. O.k. To take comp time or pay during a fire.
- Sign over weight permits - signed
- Sign pay orders – signed.

Discussion of **roadside mowing** – Phil Busier would like to have road crew do it. Looking for a tractor. Phil Busier has info on a new tractor for \$44,000.00. Might be too small. Bagley provided a quote \$47.50 to \$68.00 per hour. Phil Busier stated it takes one month to mow all of town once. That would cost \$16,000.00 to hire someone. Will continue to look for a tractor. Paul Audy will work with Phil Busier on finding a tractor. There don't seem to be any used tractors available. Will need to hold a special vote to purchase a tractor if one can be found. Paul Audy will check with Bagley to see if he could mow a single pass as soon as possible.

Phil Busier invited the Selectboard to attend the Road Commissioner meetings.

Sign contract with pike to do **paving** - resurfacing on South Street and East Street. Finish paving on Twitchell Hill. \$39.36 per ton. Will use project money to grind pavement on South Street.

**7:30 - NEW BUSINESS - Visitors business**

- Betty Bell – West **Cemetery** – Road into west Cemetery is not passable. Phil Busier will help her cut trees and repair road. Trees keep falling and damaging stones. She will help out with Riverside cemetery. Selectboard will pay her \$200.00 per year. Larry Buck motion. Second by Paul Audy. All agree.
- Susie Leonard - **Sidewalk / traffic calming** – Has reviewed the contract and made some changes. Suggest having Town Attorney look over and then sign. No work can begin until contract is signed. She will work on it with Rick from Regional Planning. Discussion of school being on board to do the front parking area of the school at the same time. Discussion of how dangerous current situation is.

Harvey Smith – Spoke of the resolution he had written to Regional Planning Commission concerning **VELCO**. Concerned that there is a disconnect somewhere in the process. The Selectboard is

ultimately responsible. Feels it is unclear who is in charge. Should be clear that the Selectboard is in charge. Concerned that no one will negotiate with New Haven as long as they can't tell who is in charge.

Larry Buck – No one from VELCO has ever come to the Selectboard to negotiate. Discussion of the Public Service Board (PBS) decision will stand if appeal fails. Harvey Smith suggests that Selectboard negotiate with PSB. Post mitigation for the Town is not clear. Discussion of Special Town Meeting and the hopes of the Selectboard to gain some insight from the town of what direction they would like to go. Instead meeting focused on the question of negotiation with VELCO and did not look at the bigger picture as the Selectboard had hoped. Harvey Smith continued to stress the importance of having some side bar negotiations. That is what Vergennes and Ferrisburg did. There are five families being left out of the process. (Forrest Drive residents)

- Forrest Drive Residents – VELCO – Jim Walsh – Has had an agreement drafted and would like the Selectboard to sign it. The agreement agrees to petition the Public Service Board to keep the power lines in the existing corridor. Signed by Larry Buck.

Discussion of post certification process. Concern that there needs to be some negotiating happening. Susan Dann suggested committee be made up of one person from the Voices group, One from Forrest Drive, one from Selectboard and several others from town. Would act as advisory committee to the Selectboard. Larry Buck suggests that they come back with a charge and a list of names for the Selectboard at their next meeting. Amos Roleau III – Spoke of the power line is going to happen. We need to plan how we want it. And negotiate. Selectboard is ultimately responsible.

- **Event Coordinator and Town Hall Key** – Look over sheet of job description for coordinator. Discuss ways to make the key process work. Store does not want the Key anymore. Suzy will take over. Need to determine how to make it work. Combination that can be changed regularly or something. Suzy will do all Town Hall scheduling from now on. Larry Buck moved to accept the job functions for the coordinator, seconded by Paul Audy. All agree.
- **Increase permit fees** – All zoning fees were increased as follows:

	From	To
Change of Use	\$100.00	\$150.00
Minor Subdivision	\$100.00	\$150.00
Major Division	\$100.00 per hearing	\$200.00 Plus \$100.00 per hearing
Boundary Line Adj.	\$100.00	\$150.00
ZBA Hearing	\$150.00	\$200.00
New Building	\$100.00	
New Residence		\$100.00
Occupancy Permit	\$ 35.00	\$ 50.00
Out Building		
Major		\$ 75.00
Minor		\$ 25.00
Additions	\$ 35.00	\$ 50.00
Home Occupation	\$ 20.00	\$ 40.00
Signs (minimum)	\$ 20.00	\$ 25.00
Road Access	\$ 15.00	\$ 50.00
Zoning Regulations	\$ 3.50	\$ 5.00

- Planning Commission - Results from Public **Hearing relating to petition from John Madden** to change zoning along Route 7. Select Board will need to hold a Public Hearing. – Selectboard will hold a public hearing on July 12, 2005 at 8:00 pm.

Planning Commission Memo regarding unsolicited survey passed on to Selectboard. Selectboard considers it to be junk mail and should be thrown away.

**Community Projects Group** has raised enough money purchase the T.V. for the Raffle and does not need to have the Town Purchase the T.V. Thank you for putting it on the warning for the Special Town Meeting.

- Appointments – Zoning Board of Adjustment  
Fire Warden - Deputy  
Energy Coordinator  
Conservation Commission  
Addison County Transit Resource Board  
Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC)

## **MISC. CORRESPONDENCE**

- John Madden – Copy of correspondence with Bill Shafer and Jim Ouimette.
- Hutchins – Notice of ACT 250 Application
- Patricia A. Hannaford Tech School – Notice of Application ACT 250
- James Dumont – VELCO brief – to file
- VLCT – PACIF – Insurance info.
- State of Vermont – Dept. of Taxes – Denial of Appeal – Do you wish to appeal further?
- Addison County Regional Planning Commission – VELCO – Request for input on aesthetic mitigation. Meeting with Jean Vissering. – Please respond
- Environmental Protection Agency – Making sure towns are in compliance
- State of Vermont – Dept. Taxes – PILOT payments
- State of Vermont – Approval of Grant Money Beldon Falls Culvert.
- Thank You for funds Vermont Adult Learning
- Interest rates on borrowing money (\$100,000.00) over 5 years 4% from Chittenden 4.15 from Citizens Bank
- Adelphia – Invitation to meet
- State of Vermont – Agency of Transportation – Annual maintenance Huntington Falls Bridge
- Vermont Land Trust – Development Rights – Paraskevopoulos Farm
- Dept. of Labor and Industry – Memorandum – Any Building that is not a single family, owner occupied structure, is required to have a construction permit from the State.
- VLCT – Town Fair Awards - Nominations
- State of Vermont – Tax Dept. Grant approval for Listers extension of time to file Grand List

## **EDUCATION**

### **NEWS LETTERS**

- Candidate Bulletin
- VLCT
- Opinions
- Valuation Views
- Addison County Regional Planning

### **Treasurers Report**

### **Old Business**

Adjourn 10:15

Approved:

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Amos Roleau III

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Paul Audy

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Larry Buck

Respectfully submitted:  
Barbara Torian