

**Minutes of Selectboard Meeting
February 4th, 2015**

Present at Meeting:

Bert Potter, Selectman; Steven Nicholson, Selectman; Michael Stewart, Selectman; Linda McGuire, Treasurer; Mark Goodwin, Clerk

Members of the Public:

No members of the public present

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Selectman Potter

Approval of Agenda:

Mike moved and Bert seconded to approve the agenda. Discussion: Changes to published agenda: 1) Earth Waste & Metal has postponed their presentation until sometime in the spring, 2) The Public Service Board (PSB) re. TSI/Clean Power Link Section 248 and 3) Town Officer resignation. Approved with modifications

Public Service Board Section 248:

The Town had been notified by Sheila Grace, an attorney for the Public Service Board in regarding the filing of the TDI/ New England Clean Power Link Project. As part of the Section 248 process the PSB must grant a certificate of Public Good. As indicated in her correspondence, part of that process is that the PSB meets with municipalities that are directly affected by utility projects, under statutory obligation, to engage in a discussion as to the Department's role as a public advocate. In addition the PSB informs the Town about the intervention process and other procedural aspects of the Section 248 process. The PSB requests that the Town approve a waiver in the case that the Town does not deem necessary that a representative of the PSB meet with the Selectboard prior to February 25, 2015.

Steven moved and Mike seconded to waive the request for a presentation by the PSB.

Discussion: Mike indicated that there were no particular opposition voiced at the Cuttingsville presentation by TSI, and that on the contrary the presenters appeared to have taken the suggestions regarding re-routing the initial route along VT Rte. 103 through Cuttingsville to the utilization of the rail-road line ROW as an alternative. The Selectboard determined that the Shrewsbury Planning Commission and the Rutland Regional Planning Commission had minor inquiries into the health issues and environmental issues that were abated during further investigation. Approved

Alt Project Status – Nursery School Renovation:

Mike indicated that he had received only one quote for the electrical work. He will be making additional inquiries to both electrical contractors and builders for quotes to renovate the Nursery School side of the Town Office. Mike also indicated that he will follow through with the project in a consulting / volunteer capacity after his Selectboard term ends in March.

Excess Weight Permit:

Bert moved and Steven seconded to approve an Excess Weight Permit for Newport Sand & Gravel. Discussion: the 2015 application was in order with fee and insurance documentation.
Approved

Recyclables:

Bert indicated that the Town received: \$139 for electronics and \$134 for office paper / magazines (33 tons).

Resignation:

Bert moved and Steven seconded to regretfully acknowledge the resignation of Daphne Lea Hemmer as Shrewsbury Health Officer. Approved

Minutes:

Bert moved and Steven seconded to approve the minutes of January 21, 2015. No discussion.
Approved.

Orders

Bert moved and Steven seconded to approve:
Selectboard Orders #2 of February 4,2015 for \$387,67 and Road Commissioners Orders #4 of February 4,2015 for \$9,096.73. Approved

Meeting was duly adjourned at 8:10 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Goodwin, Town Clerk

These minutes are unofficial until approved by the Selectboard at the next regularly scheduled meeting.