

**Minutes of Selectboard Meeting  
April 1st, 2015**

**Present at Meeting:**

Bert Potter, Selectman; Aaron Korzun, Selectman; Steven Nicholson, Selectmen; Jamie Carrara, Road Commissioner; Linda McGuire, Treasurer; Mark Goodwin, Clerk

Brad Madison, Casella Construction

**Call to Order:**

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

**Approval of Agenda:**

Bert moved and Aaron seconded to follow the agenda as best as possible. No discussion.

Approved

**Lincoln Hill Culvert:**

Casella Construction is the VT AOT selected contractor for the reconstruction of the Lincoln Hill Rd. Culvert (STP 1443 44). Casella is requesting that the Town grant them permission to use sections of "old Rte. 103" as a staging area and access area while re-construction is going on. Their particular request has been forwarded to the Town Agent (Barry Griffith) in order to draft a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) so that the Town is assured that the title of the particular area is indeed the Town's and also that the Town's interests are maintained during and after construction if and when it were to execute an MOU with Casella. The Selectboard will contact Casella Construction when that review is complete.

**Road Commissioner's Report:**

Jamie presented the Shrewsbury Annual VT AOT Financial Plan for 2016. The document documents the Shrewsbury Road Budget, and anticipated Major Construction Projects. Steven moved and Bert seconded to accept and approve the Road Commissioner's 2016 Financial Plan. Discussion: Steven inquired if the plan included expense for the Spring Lake Road culvert project. Jamie indicated that it did not. Jamie indicated that the determination of the VT AOT grant will determine the expense for that particular project and the awards have yet to be made. Approved

Jamie presented for authorization the *2016 Certificate of Compliance for Town Road and Bridge Standards and Network Inventory* utilized by VT AOT to ensure municipalities are utilizing approved highway maintenance practices. The Standards are an essential piece for Emergency Mitigation reimbursements and VT AOT Grant eligibility. Bert moved and Aaron seconded to comply with the 2016 VT AOT Codes and Standards. Approved

Jamie updated the Selectboard on the status of the 2009 International which has had repair issues. Jamie indicated that after three weeks the good news is that it is now running. It is expected back from Jericho tomorrow. Jamie expects a fairly large repair bill.

Jamie is still looking for a tractor for sweeping, brush cutting and other tasks. He has not yet located a suitable used one.

Steven inquired as to the status of a new grader. Jamie indicated that until the Town is assured that the ALT Project for the Clement Shelter Bridge will be approved, he is reluctant to discuss the purchase of a grader with any of the local distributors. Bert indicated that he will follow up with Woody as to his prognosis and status of the Clement Shelter Alt Project in order to better evaluate on how to proceed.

**Local Emergency Operations Plan (LEOP):**

Steven had no updated information to report. He continues to update the Plan.

**Act 148 Implementation Update:**

Bert has ordered punch cards that will be available for purchase at the Town Office and Pierce's Store. Cards will be available for purchase at the May 20<sup>th</sup> Informational Meeting.

Linda requested Bert to reiterate in the Times of Shrewsbury that "Pay As You Throw" does not mean that cash payments and collections can be made at the Transfer Station as regular operating procedure. I.e. pay cash prior to placing trash in the chute. She indicated that some of the publicity offered by the State, SWAC and locally is a misnomer and that an individual could conceivably expect to pay on-sight for dumping trash. The appropriate terminology for parts of ACT 148 is "*Variable Rate Pricing*".

Bert outlined implementation dates that will be used in the coming weeks:

June 14<sup>th</sup> – Punch-card Sales commence

May 31<sup>st</sup> – Vehicle Sticker compliance enforcement

Bert indicated that SWAC is still in the process of approving a compliant "Hauler" letter informing them of their responsibilities under ACT 148 in respect to residential and facility trash pick-up and that process will impact how Shrewsbury will implement a Variable Rate Pricing Ordinance as a requirement for Act 148.

Bert indicated that he will take on the role for Act 148 Administration, but anticipates that it will add additional time to his Transfer Station hours.

Their accounting of revenue and expense for the Variable Rate Pricing will need to be reported to the State as specific line items and not a mere General Revenue and Expense items as is currently the delineation.

**Security:**

Aaron reported that there were no specific issues except the door dead bolt sometimes gets stuck, require a couple tries to get the door unlocked.

**Appointments:**

Bert moved and Steven seconded to make the following appointments:

***Development Review Board***

Mark Youngstrom – Three year term

***Davis Terrell***

Energy Coordinator – One year term

**Emergency Management**

Steven reported that Elliot Stewart does not have the requisite time in order to serve in the capacity of Director, Emergency Management. Bert volunteered to inquire with Bob Snarski as to his interest.

**Health Officer**

Bert reported that he is still following up on various recommendations, but has yet found no one to fill the position.

**UCRR Slide:**

Bert reported that per the most recent correspondence from Carl Crawford; Mary Andes, VT DEMHS does not expect a reply from FEMA until sometime after April 15<sup>th</sup> based on the submission made by her office in respect to the Change In Scope FEMA request submitted for the MSE Wall construction.

**Excess Weight Permits:**

Bert moved and Aaron seconded to approve the following Excess Weight Permits:  
Feed Commodities International, L. Wright Construction and Proctor Gas. Approved

**Open to the Public:**

No members of the public present.

**New Business:**

Bert indicated that he will inquire with Loshen about getting an estimate for replacing the duel furnaces, which may be competing with each other and causing the recent ignition failures, with a single more efficient furnace. The duel furnaces may be a legacy from the time when both the Nursery School and the Town Office kept their operations strictly separate. However the two furnaces are utilizing the same, apparently undersized chimney, which appears to be causing issue now that the Nursery School side is being utilized more. Steven also indicated that the Town should investigate the possibility of including the installation of a heat pump.

**Minutes:**

Bert moved and Aaron seconded to approve the minutes of March 18, 2015,. Discussion: Correction under Act 148 Implementation, second paragraph: increment for “bag” instead of “weight”. With corrections. Approved

**Orders**

Bert moved and Steven seconded to approve:  
Road Commissioner Orders # 4 of April 1, 2015 for \$10,250.27 and Selectboard Orders # 4 of April 1, 2015 for \$1,899.52. Also, a correction to Selectboard Orders #3A of 3/18/2015 for a duplicate entry of \$755.06 (Citizen’s Bank for Town Office Supplies and Hubbard Bros. Tipping Fees) No discussion. Approved

Meeting was duly adjourned at 9:08 PM

Respectfully submitted,  
Mark Goodwin, Town Clerk

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