

# Town of Mendon

## Selectboard

February 25, 2013

Members of Selectboard present: Greg Smith, Larry Courcelle

Town Officers and employees present: Nancy Gondella, Bookkeeper/Office Manager, Bill Ellis, Road Commissioner

Residents and visitors present: None

The Selectboard Meeting was called to order at 5:40 PM at the Town Office.

### Announcements

Town Meeting, March 4, 2013, 6:00 PM Mendon Mountainview Lodge. Voting, March 5, 2013, 8:00 AM to 7:00 PM Mendon Town Office.

Selectboard meetings for March and April rescheduled to March 18, April 1, April 15, and April 29.

### Administrative Matters

*Selectmen's Orders* were reviewed and signed.

G. Smith moved to approve the minutes of 2/11/13. Seconded by L. Courcelle. The Selectboard unanimously approved the motion.

### Old Business

- A. FEMA – G. Smith reviewed the information he plans to discuss during his telephone conference on Tuesday afternoon with FEMA and Ben Rose. He wants to clarify the process for appeals, following scope change denials and small project nettings.
- B. Town Meeting Presentations – L. Courcelle and G. Smith reviewed the topics each would cover at Town Meeting. G. Smith has asked that Nancy and Sara put together a slide show of pictures for residents to look at during the presentation.
- C. Public Works Mutual Aid Agreement – Will review this in more detail at a future meeting.
- D. VTRANS Codes and Standards update – Will review this in more detail at a future meeting.
- E. Tax Sale scheduled for March 7<sup>th</sup> – The board reviewed information received from Garrett Baxter from VLCT. According to statute, the town is not required to make the opening bid, but to determine the opening bid. The Selectboard will rely on the attorney to communicate the required opening bid. The Selectboard declines to authorize the delinquent tax collector to make the opening bid.
- F. Brookwood tree debris – The board reviewed a citizen complaint asking that the debris on the town's property near the entrance to Brookwood be cleaned up. The board decided to wait until better weather and take a look at the situation before making any determination. Nancy will call the citizen with the update.
- G. Highway Grants Due April 12<sup>th</sup> – The board discussed applying for a grant for the Townline

Road Resurfacing and the Journeys End 36” culvert.

H. Goals and Objectives 2013 – Tabled

New Business

A. Upper Notch dumping – The board discussed the continued dumping on Upper Notch Rd. and discussed strategies for discouraging this. B. Ellis will bring signage recommendations to the board at a future meeting. The board also discussed the possibility of video surveillance of the area, as well as having a discussion with the state as the dumping is occurring on state property. This topic will be discussed again at a future meeting.

There being no further business, L. Courcelle moved to adjourn at 7:50 PM. Motion carried.

Date Approved \_\_\_\_\_

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Greg Smith

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Nancy Gondella – Acting Clerk of the Board

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Larry Courcelle