

**Poultney Board of Selectmen
Meeting
Monday - January 13, 2014- 6:30 P.M
Poultney Town Hall
Agenda**

- 1) Adoption of the Agenda
- 2) Approval of Minutes: 12/23/13 (Draft Only)
- 3) Public Comments and Concerns:
- 4) Poultney Downtown Revitalization Committee - Champlain Oil property update
- 5) Road Report
- 6) Town Manager's Report
 - Letters & Communications
 - Budget FY 2014
 - Budget FY 2015
- 7) Board Orders
- 8) Adjourn

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Chairman Ed Lewis called the meeting to order. Selectmen present included: Tom Beatty, Frank Fressie and Jeff King. Others present included: Jonas Rosenthal, Town Manager; Ron Kelley Road Foreman; Corey Davenport, Tracy Carris and members from the Poultney Downtown Revitalization Committee Joe Duffy, Harry Stanyon and Pam Mikkelson.

Adoption of the Agenda: Jeff King made a motion to adopt the agenda as printed. Tom Beatty seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: Draft meeting minutes of 12/23/2013 were provided. Rosenthal mentioned that they have not been completed. The minutes were tabled.

Public Comments and Concerns: Tracy Carris, the Town's representative for the Rutland Regional Planning Commission, gave an update regarding the activities of the organization. He stated that he would like to provide an update at least once a month to the Board. The Board thanked Mr. Carris.

Poultney Downtown Revitalization Committee - Champlain Oil Property update: Pam Mikkelson read a letter from Chuck Colvin regarding the Champlain Oil property. Copies of a drawing from Lucas Brown was presented as well as the site plan from Louis Hampl. Discussion followed regarding the funds raised for the purchase of the property. To date, \$ 43,000 has been raised with several other businesses who have given a favorable response but may commit at a later time. After further discussion, the Board agreed to place the property purchase on the ballot as requested.

Road Report:

- 1) Ron Kelly reported that the numerous storms have impacted the budget in several areas; salt, sand, overtime, equipment repairs and gas and oil.
- 2) Other safety training sessions, provided by the Vermont League of Cities and Towns on site, will be scheduled at a later time.

Town Manager's Report:

- 1) Copies of the December Financial Reports prepared by Susan Kasuba were distributed.
- 2) Copies of the proposed FY 2015 Highway and General Government Budgets were distributed. The Highway Budget was reviewed and discussed. The General Government Budget will be reviewed at the Special meeting to be held on Monday, January 20 at 6:30 P.M.
- 3) Rosenthal mentioned that the Agency of Natural Resources was going to hold a hearing on the proposed Vermont Materials Management Plan - Moving from Solid Waste towards Sustainable Management on January 24th. The Agency also distributed a Draft version of document entitled "Variable Rate Pricing (unit based pricing) Guide for Municipalities". The State will be requiring municipalities to charge a per bag fee for garbage beginning on July 1, 2015 (FY 2016).

Rosenthal believed that this would have a negative impact on the environment and low income households. More information will follow after the first State Public Hearing.

Transact Any and Other Lawful Business: None at this time.

Board Orders: Jeff King made a motion to approve and sign the Board Orders. Frank Fressie seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Tom Beatty made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Frank Fressie seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

s/Jonas Rosenthal