

**Poultney Board of Selectmen  
Meeting  
Tuesday, May 26, 2015 - 6:30 P.M  
Poultney Town Hall**

**Agenda**

- 1) Adoption of the Agenda
- 2) Approval of Minutes: 5/11/15
- 3) Public Comments and Concerns:
- 4) Road Report
  - Paving
- 5) Town Manager's Report
  - Letters & Communications
  - Budget FY 2015
- 6) Transact Any Other Lawful Business:
- 7) Board Orders
- 8) Adjourn

**Meeting Minutes**  
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Chairman Ed Lewis called the meeting to order. Other Board members present included: Corey Davenport, Frank Fressie and Tom Coloutti. Others present included: Jonas Rosenthal, Town Manager; Ron Kelley, Road Foreman and George Miller representing the American Legion.

**Adoption of the Agenda:** Frank Fressie made a motion to adopt the agenda as printed. Tom Coloutti seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Approval of Minutes:** Tom Coloutti made a motion to approve the minutes of May 11, 2015. Frank Fressie seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Public Comments and Concerns:** George Miller requested the Board to approve a coin drop for the American Legion Baseball for June 20th. In past years the Legion has requested the coin drop for Youth Legion Baseball and the Board has approved previous requests. Signage will be provided as in years past. Discussion followed. Tom Coloutti made a motion to approve the request. Frank Fressie seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Terry Williams has requested that the DeBonis Quarry Road be gated due to an increasing amount of garbage that is being thrown near his quarry property. Discussion followed. The consensus of the Board is to deny the request because of its similarity on TH # 50. TH # 50 is a gated road and it has been gated for years. The Board will be holding a hearing on June 1st to discontinue this gated highway.

Complaints have been received about dusty roads especially after roads have been graded.

**Road Report:**

- 1) Roads continue to be graded. Chloride has been applied and more chloride has been ordered.
- 2) The new Town Highway truck has arrived.
- 3) The total summary Narrative of Disaster costs from FEMA (for DR-4207 VT) is \$ 36,791.86. The Federal share is 75 % while the State share will be 12.5 %. The Town will be responsible for the remaining share.
- 4) A reminder for the Highway Discontinuance Hearing - 19 V.S.A. Section 709 for TH # 50 is scheduled for June 1.
- 5) The Town has applied for a Better Back Roads grant (on May 14) seeking assistance using the latest version (11) of the Road Surface Management System to update its road and culvert inventory. The inventory will be used to extend the Capital Budget into 2020.
- 6) Rosenthal mentioned that an Informational meeting is scheduled for June 2 at the Poultney High School Library at 6:30 PM to discuss the Castleton VT Bridge 93 closure located on VT Route 30 and traffic detours that will affect Poultney roads. Representatives from the Agency of Transportation's Bridge program and the contractor for the project, W.M. Schultz Construction Company will be attending the meeting to answer questions about the project.

- 7) Ron Kelley set up a road repair training seminar / workshop using new a road fabric for the second week in July. The VT Local Roads Program and the Town will be hosting this event and several area towns will be attending this workshop. The materials have been donated.
- 8) Quotes for the paving projects were received from Pike Industries, Fuller Sand & Gravel and Wilk. Discussion followed. The Town received a Class 2 Paving Grant in the amount of \$ 175,000. The Town will be paving portions of Route 140, Granville Street and York Street Extension. Tom Coloutti made a motion to award the paving projects to Pike Paving. Frank Fressie seconded the motion. motion carried.
- 9) The 2015 VTrans Bicycle and Pedestrian Program will be accepting grant applications by July 17th.

**Town Manager's Report:**

- 1) Rosenthal failed to mention in the May 11th meeting minutes that the April Financial Report, prepared by Susan Kasuba, were distributed.
- 2) Copies of letters of support to re-apply for the East Poultney Village Designation and the Poultney Downtown Designation to the State Downtown Development Board were distributed. The renewal applications for both are due by June 1. Since changes to the Town Plan will not be approved by that date, the applications will be acted upon at the July meeting of the State Board. The Designations are good for five years. Frank Fressie made a motion to support and sign the renewal letters for both the Poultney Downtown Designation and the East Poultney Village Designation. Tom Coloutti seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- 3) Rosenthal believed that the trash bags will be delivered by the first or second week in June. The bags will be yellow in color with the word Poultney on them. An informational meeting will be scheduled once the bags are delivered. Bags will be distributed on a Saturday in June after the informational meeting.
- 4) No new information from the USDA regarding eligibility for grants or financing the Library expansion and improvement project. Ralph Nimtz, the architect for this project, has all of the design work and the bid document ready to go but is waiting for approval before the project can move forward.

**Transact Any and Other Lawful Business:** Tracy Carris has submitted his letter of resignation to the Selectboard for the position he has held for the past several years as Poultney's Representative to the Rutland Regional Planning Commission. Frank Fressie made a motion to accept Tracy's resignation and thanked him for his years of service. Corey Davenport seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Board Orders:** Frank Fressie made a motion to approve and sign the Board Orders. Tom Coloutti seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Frank Fressie made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Corey Davenport seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

**s/Jonas Rosenthal**