

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

Agenda

- 1) Adoption of the Agenda
- 2) Approval of Minutes: 10/12/15
- 3) Public Comments and Concerns:
 - Sam Carlson, Green Lantern Group for a proposed Solar project
- 4) Road Report
 - new hire for Highway Crew position
- 5) Town Manager's Report
 - Letters & Communications
 - Budget FY 2016
 - Noise in the Nighttime
 - Disorderly Conduct
- 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: Jeff King Corey Davenport, Frank Fressie and Tom Coloutti. Others present included: Jonas Rosenthal, Town Manager; Ron Kelley, Road Foreman; Planning Commissioners Mark Teetor, Neal Vreeland, Ernie DeMatties and Patti McCoy; Charlie Brown, Sam Carlson from Green Lantern Solar, and Constable Dale Kerber arriving at a later time at the meeting.

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

Approval of Minutes: Jeff King made a motion to approve the minutes of 10/12/15. Corey Davenport seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Road Report:

- 1) The Town Farm Road project has been completed
- 2) Roads continue to be graded.
- 3) The culvert inventory project has begun.
- 4) All of the trucks and the equipment are being prepared for winter operations.
- 5) Raymond Petty 111 will begin work on November 2nd.
- 6) A letter was received from a couple residing on Peninsula Drive (a private road) regarding a missing reflective street sign. Recently the Wells Fire Department was contacted regarding a 9-1-1 call in which a residence could not be located in a timely manner. The couple requested a new sign. Discussion followed. The Board concluded that public safety was more important than the cost of a new private street sign in the amount of \$ 100. Tom Coloutti made a motion to put up a new sign. Corey Davenport seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Public Comments and Concerns: Sam Carlson from Green Lantern Solar and Charlie Brown, property owner, were present to discuss the proposed solar project located off of Route 30 North. Copies of the proposed location and site maps were distributed. The purpose of the project, estimate costs and benefits, visibility from neighboring property owners and buildings, the process of the application and construction time frame of the project was discussed. Questions from the Planning Commission members and the Selectmen followed. The consensus of the Planning Commission and the Selectboard was that the site location is good and supported the project as presented.

Town Manager's Report:

- 1) Copies of the August and September Fire Department Captains Reports were distributed.
- 2) The property located at 314 York Street did close on October 23rd.
- 3) The Disorderly Conduct and the Noise in the Night Time Draft Ordinances were being reviewed by Neal Vreeland Town Attorney. His comments and suggestions will be available for the next meeting.

- 4) The new Blue Cross and Blue Shield health insurance rates for 2016 have been published. Discussion followed regarding any changes the Board might want to make before renewing the plan. The consensus of the Board was to enroll with the same plan with no changes for 2016.
- 5) Town Constable Dale Kerber presented a price comparison of Ford dealers quoting a new 2016 Ford Police Utility Interceptor. Discussion followed. \$ 11,100 would come from the Public Safety Equipment Replacement Fund. An additional \$ 3,500 in FY 2016 will be available for payments. The balance would need to be borrowed. Three quotes were received for the vehicle. Jeff King made a motion to approve the purchase of a 2016 Ford Interceptor under the State of Vermont Government Contract pricing in the amount of \$ 31,845. Tom Coloutti seconded the motion. Motion carried. Several banking institutions will be contacted regarding loan interest and conditions for borrowing.
- 6) Copies of the September Financial Report prepared by Susan Kasuba were distributed.
- 7) Copies of a letter from the Vermont Department of Public Safety were distributed showing the amount of \$ 32,269.01 was paid to the Town of Poultney for the FEMA declared disaster last December 2014.

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

Board Orders: Jeff King made a motion to approve the Board Orders. Tom Coloutti seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Frank Fressie made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jeff King seconded the motion. Motion carried.

s/Jonas Rosenthal