

**Poultney Board of Selectmen
Meeting
Monday, March 14, 2016 - 6:30 P.M
Poultney Town Hall**

Agenda

- 1) Organizational Meeting - Nominations for Chair and Vice-Chair
- 2) Adoption of the Agenda
- 3) Approval of Minutes: 2/22/16
- 4) Public Comments and Concerns:
- 5) Road Report
- 6) Liquor License Renewal Applications: Shaw's, Stewarts, Poultney Snack Shop, Midway Oil
East Poultney General Store
- 7) Town Manager's Report
 - Letters & Communications
 - Budget FY 2016
 - Library Update
- 8) Appointments
- 9) Transact Any Other Lawful Business:
- 10) Board Orders
- 11) Adjourn

Meeting Minutes
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Selectmen present included: Tom Coloutti, Jeff King, Corey Davenport, Frank Fressie and Terry Williams. Other Board members present included: Jonas Rosenthal, Town Manager and Ron Kelley Road Foreman.

Organizational Meeting - Nominations for Chair and Vice-Chair: Rosenthal opened the meeting and requested nominations for Selectboard Chair. Jeff King made a motion to nominate Tom Coloutti as Chair. Tom declined the nomination. Tom made a motion to nominate Jeff King as Chair. Terry Williams seconded the motion. Motion carried. Jeff King made a motion to nominate Corey Davenport as Vice-Chair. Tom Coloutti seconded the motion. Motion carried

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

Approval of Minutes: Corey Davenport made a motion to approve the minutes of 2/22/16. Tom Coloutti seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Public Comments and Concerns: Some discussion about crime.

Road Report: The following was reported:

- 1) Ron Kelley mentioned that flagger training was provided by the Vermont League of Cities and Towns and 28 attended from area Towns. More highway and safety training programs provided by VLCT will be sought to the local area.
- 2) Additional safety training regarding gravel pits will be provided at a later time in the week.
- 3) Ron Kelley met with a representative from the Agency of Natural Resources to discuss a culvert project. The Town will seek a Better Backroads grant program to pay for the proposed project. The grant application is due by April 15th.
- 4) Ron Kelley will be meeting with Mike Mullin from Pike paving on 2 paving projects. The Town will submit a Class 2 Paving grant for one of these projects. Grant applications are due by April 15th.

Liquor License Renewal Applications: Shaw's, Stewarts, Poultney Snack Shop, Midway Oil East Poultney General Store: Tom Coloutti made a motion to approve the renewal application. Corey Davenport seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Town Manager's Report:

- 1) Library construction bids are due Thursday, March 17th at 3:00 PM.
- 2) Copies of the January Financial Report prepared by Susan Kasuba were distributed.
- 3) Information from the VT Department of Health regarding the PFOA Contamination of well water in North Bennington were distributed.
- 4) Information about the Slate Valley Trails Project Status Report dated March 6, 2016 were distributed.

5) Green Mountain Power has announced a change in their rate structure. Some rates will go up and some will go down.

6) The Constable is applying for a state grant for a new computer for the new cruiser (that has not arrived).

Appointments: Rosenthal referred the Board to Page 7 of the Town Report. Rosenthal recommended keeping the Fence Viewer and the Lumber Inspector positions open because the Legislature may have eliminated the positions but Rosenthal will have to research this. He also recommended appointing Keith Roberts as Tree Warden since he works for a plant nursery for the Nature Conservancy located at Green Mountain College. Rosenthal spoke with him several months ago but he was not clear about his future employment status. Rosenthal will follow up on this appointment.

Tracy Carris resigned last year as the Rutland Regional Planning Commissioner and will need to be replaced. Rosenthal also added that last year Tom Beatty was appointed Road Commissioner and requested his reappointment for this year. Frank Fressie made a motion to appoint those listed on page 7 of the Town Report as presented adding Tom Beatty as Road Commissioner and with the exception of those positions stated above. Tom Coloutti seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Copies of a letter from Linda Smith requesting appointment to the Board of Listers. Discussion followed regarding Mary Jo's status as being appointed as an Assessor and having the necessary amount of credits for the appointment. Some members wanted to interview the candidate. Tom Coloutti made a motion to appoint Linda Smith as Lister. Corey Davenport seconded the motion. Jeff King voted for the nomination with Frank Fressie and Terry Williams abstaining. Motion carried.

Board Orders: Frank Fressie made a motion to approve the Board Orders. Corey Davenport seconded the motion. Motion carried.

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

s/Jonas Rosenthal