

**Poultney Board of Selectmen  
Meeting  
Monday, April 25, 2016 - 6:30 P.M  
Poultney Town Hall**

**Agenda**

- 1) Adoption of the Agenda
- 2) Approval of Minutes: 4/11/16
- 3) Public Comments and Concerns:
- 4) Road Report
  - Road reclassification
- 5) Town Manager's Report
  - Letters & Communications
  - Budget FY 2016
  - Library Update
- 6) Transact Any Other Lawful Business:
- 7) Board Orders
- 8) Adjourn

**Meeting Minutes**  
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Chairman Jeff King called the meeting to order. Selectmen present included: Tom Coloutti, Corey Davenport, Frank Fressie and Terry Williams. Others present included: George Miller, Town Manager and Ron Kelley Road Foreman.

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

**Approval of Minutes:** Tom Coloutti made a motion to approve the minutes of 4/11/16. Corey Davenport seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Public Comments and Concerns:** George Miller, President of the American Legion was present to request permission to conduct a coin drop to benefit American Legion baseball. Information from the Agency of Transportation regarding Coin drop requirements was reviewed and discussed. The event will be scheduled for May 14th. Tom Coloutti made a motion to approve the request for a coin drop. Frank Fressie seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Road Report:** The following was reported:

- 1) Some roads have been graded and potholes have been filled on the following roads: Finel Hollow, Highland Gray, Hampshire Hollow, the East Road, the Lewis Road and Endless Brook Road.
- 2) Some streets have been swept.
- 3) Magnesium chloride has been ordered and some has been applied.
- 4) Gravel from the Stanley Martelle pit has been examined.
- 5) Some beavers have been removed that were blocking culverts in South Poultney.
- 6) Ron attended a VT Local Roads training program. He reported that next year the State will require a fee from Towns if road projects are located near any streambank.
- 7) The new engine for the gravel screen will be sent to the Town once the check has arrived to the vendor.
- 8) Several street signs have been straightened around Town.
- 9) The Town submitted two Better Backroad grants on April 15th. One project consisted of replacing a culvert on the on the Finel Hollow Rd. and a soil erosion project located on River Street. The amount requested for project one was \$ 40,000 and the second project request was in the amount of \$ 17,000. Rosenthal thanked Ron and Tom Beatty for their work in getting the quantities needed for the project including the estimated hours for both projects.
- 10) The cathodic underground storage tank testing was conducted and passed. The test was required this year and is good for three years.
- 11) The Town will receive another quote for paving from Wilk Paving for either one or two projects depending on State funding. One project is located on the Blissville Road and the second project is located in East Poultney On-the-Green.

12) The Town submitted two Class 2 Paving grants for the projects mentioned above on April 15th. This year there were 20 grant applications that have been applied for and only 7 or 8 grants will be awarded. Last year the Town received a Class Two Highway Paving grant in the amount of \$ 175,000 and it is highly unlikely that the Town will receive a grant this year.

13) Information was distributed from Nancy Bell, the Vermont / New Hampshire Conservation Fund Director about the status of the land that the CF owns and the condition of the trails. She has given permission to gate the property to protect the trails from further damage by 4 wheelers. More information will be provided later in the year.

14) Road Reclassification for TH # 59: Rosenthal and Ron Kelley discussed further the benefits to the Town for discontinuing the Town Highway and the conditions for approving the request. All of the Selectboard members have visited the site individually with the Manager and the Road Foreman. Ron Kelley stated that the Highway Department did not plow the road this year however plowed the road at least 39 times the year before. The road also needs to be ditched and the culvert needs to be cleaned, replaced or removed altogether. Water drainage was also discussed. After further discussion, Frank Fressie made a motion to approve moving forward with the discontinuance of TH # 59 with conditions. Tom Coloutti seconded the motion. Motion carried with Terry Williams abstaining.

**Town Manager's Report:**

1) Still no date for signing the construction contract for the Library between the Town, USDA and the Russell Corporation.

**Board Orders:** Frank Fressie made a motion to approve 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.

**s/Jonas Rosenthal**