

**Wolcott Selectboard Meeting  
February 15, 2017**

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Members Present: Belinda Clegg, Richard Lee, Eric Furs  
Members Absent: Bessie Martin, Kim Gravel  
Town Employees: Bernard Earle  
Public: Michael Davison, Amy Touchette, Eddie Duff, Chad Roy  
Reporter: None

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Eric called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m.

**Amendments to the Agenda:**

- **Town Hall Permit:** One for March 4, 2017 from 1:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. with no alcohol. Motion by Belinda to accept the permit. Seconded by Richard. Voting: 3 in favor, 0 against.
- **Town Officers Education Conference:** Email received stating that registration is now open for the 72<sup>nd</sup> Town Officers Education Conference that will be held April 11, 2017 at the Capitol Plaza in Montpelier. Discussion. Belinda will attend this meeting.
- **Belinda** – Clarify last meeting school minutes: Belinda handed out copies of the school budget one page summary. She apologized for speaking about the schoolboard in last meeting's minutes as she was told that it was not in the financials to review and apparently was not confirmed by one of the parties that was involved in the discussion that Belinda spoke of.

**Comments from the Community:** None

**Approve the Minutes of February 1, 2017:** Discussion. Motion by Belinda to approve the minutes with the change that the pathway was not an alternative for the village and that 4b actually included 4a and will be changed in the original report under the North Wolcott Road Scoping Study. Seconded by Richard. Voting: 3 in favor, 0 against.

**Chad Roy - School House Restorations – Findings & Inventory:** Discussion. No inventory shall be sold until after the list is corrected of items that Bernard feels should be valuable to the town as the list compiled by Bruce was not complete. Bruce also submitted a list of items that he had sold to a family member without waiting for the approval by the Selectboard that was to be done at this meeting. Once it was known of these items being sold, Chad put a stop to further sales. Bernard will act on behalf of the town as agent to approve sales on the inventory that are on the inventory list, once Bernard submits his final list of items for the town to keep. Bernard stated that items should be sold as is and made know to that fact. The money collected will be put into the fund that has already been allocated for the School House that is kept at the town office. Belinda reminded Chad that the committee still has funds available for training. Motion by Belinda to add financing of School House restorations to be discussed at Town Meeting under non-binding business. Seconded by Richard. Voting: 3 in favor, 0 against.

#### **New Business:**

- **NCAL Report on Three Dogs & Dog Officer:** The Board reviewed statements given by NCAL, Bernard & Ms. Edith Duff regarding the recent attack on Edith and her dog by 3 neighbor's dogs. Ms. Duff's dog was killed. Bernard, Ms. Duff and Amy Touchette of Justice for Dogs also spoke regarding the incident and the dogs. Lengthy discussion. In the report from NCAL they believe that all 3 dogs can be rehabilitated after their evaluation of the dogs. Motion by Eric to give the dogs to NCAL for rehabilitation. If the dogs cannot be rehabilitated they will be euthanized. A condition of the Board being that none of the dogs may return to Wolcott. Seconded by Richard. Voting: 3 in favor, 0 against. Eric signed the paperwork releasing all 3 dogs to NCAL.

#### **Review Correspondence/Sign:**

- **Sign Payroll & Monthly:** Signed.
- **2017 Highway Grants Procedures:** The Board reviewed the emails from the State of Vermont stating that applications are now being accepted for the Town Highway Structures and Town Highway Class II Roadway Grant Programs. Discussion. Belinda will speak with Skip and get estimates from Grey's and Pike paving companies for paving of the end of the Elmore Pond Road.

- **VLCT Workshop –Economic Development:** The Board reviewed an email for Local Leadership in Economic Development Workshop for local elected officials that are being held on March 15<sup>th</sup>.
- **LCSD January Monthly Report:** Reviewed.

The Board then went into executive session to discuss personnel. The Board came out of executive session at 7:35 p.m. The action was that the Selectboard will give Tuffy a written warning regarding covering the dumpsters. They must be covered.

**Motion to Adjourn:** Motion by Belinda to adjourn the meeting at 7:39 p.m.  
Seconded by Richard. Voting: 3 in favor, 0 against. The next Selectboard meeting will be held on March 1, 2017.

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