

**MINUTES – SPECIAL SELECTMEN’S MEETING
TOWN OF BARNET, VERMONT
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2013**

Meeting convened at 7:00 p.m. in the conference room of the Barnet Town Clerk’s Office.

Board members present: Selectmen Theodore Faris, Jeremy Roberts, and Gary Bunnell.

Meeting Chair: Co-Chair Theodore Faris presided as Chair for this meeting.

Others present: Road Foreman Keith Gadapee, Town Clerk Benjamin Heisholt, Zoning Administrative Officer Shirley Warden, Jeremy Holden (Lyndon State College News 7), and Nick Merianos (Lyndon State College News 7).

1. Approve minutes of regular meeting held September 23, 2013

Mr. Roberts moved to approve as presented the minutes of the regular meeting held September 23, 2013. Seconded by Mr. Bunnell and approved by voice vote.

2. Appearances by members of the public

There were no appearances by members of the public.

3. Appearance by Road Foreman Keith Gadapee regarding Highway Department matters

- a. Dump truck #4 transmission repair.** Mr. Gadapee reported that John Bogie will be performing a significant repair on the transmission in truck #4; the estimated cost is \$5,000. Discussion ensued.
- b. Town Garage door maintenance.** Mr. Gadapee requested the Board’s permission to hire Champlain Door Company to perform routine maintenance (adjust springs, minor repairs, etc.) on the garage doors at the Town Garage. Discussion ensued.
 - Mr. Roberts moved to grant permission to hire Champlain Door Company. Seconded by Mr. Bunnell and approved by voice vote.
- c. Projects.** Mr. Gadapee reported that the Better Backroads grant project on Somerhill Road is completed, and the Vermont Agency of Transportation grant projects on Anderson Street and West Main Street are completed except for paving. Grant paperwork still must be submitted for all projects. Mr. Roberts asked about any other projects planned for the autumn. Mr. Gadapee responded that there is a guardrail project planned on East Peacham Road, and other regular pre-winter maintenance work. Mr. Faris requested that Mr. Gadapee attain a quote for paving aprons on Church Street.
- d. Kid Row paving.** Mr. Gadapee indicated that Burleigh Huntoon, Maintenance Supervisor at Barnet School, has requested that the Town perform a shim-and-overlay paving project to repair Kid Row. Discussion ensued.
 - The Board instructed Mr. Gadapee to attain a quote for this project. The Board will use the quote to plan the project for budget year 2014 or 2015.
- e. Gravel pit planning.** Mr. Gadapee suggested that he meet with Mr. Bunnell, and any other interested Selectmen, at the pit to discuss planning for stripping the pit.
- f. Discussion regarding personnel (executive session).**
 - Mr. Roberts moved to enter executive session. Seconded by Mr. Bunnell and approved by voice vote. Entered executive session at 7:10 p.m. Attendance in executive session: Mr. Faris, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Bunnell, Mr. Gadapee, and Mr. Heisholt.
 - Mr. Roberts moved to exit executive session. Seconded by Mr. Bunnell and approved by voice vote. Exited executive session at 7:20 p.m.
 - No action taken.

4. Correspondence from Planning Commission/Zoning Board (PC/ZB) regarding nomination for appointment to fill vacancy

Mr. Faris read a letter indicating that the PC/ZB has regretfully accepted the resignation of David White, and nominated Shane Stevenson to fill his term ending July 1, 2014. Discussion ensued.

- Mr. Roberts moved to appoint Shane Stevenson. Seconded by Mr. Bunnell and approved by voice vote.

5. Correspondence from Barnet Public Library regarding annual Trunk or Treat event

Mr. Faris read a letter requesting use of the Harvey's Lake Beach parking lot for the popular annual event where vehicles are decorated for Halloween, and visitors "trick or treat" from vehicle to vehicle. Discussion ensued.

- Mr. Roberts moved to approve this use of the Beach parking lot. Seconded by Mr. Bunnell and approved by voice vote.

6. Correspondence from Cargill, Inc. regarding salt quote

The Board reviewed a quote indicating a price of \$60.16 per ton of deicing salt for the 2013-2014 winter season.

- Mr. Faris signed the quote with the Board's approval.

7. Correspondence from Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District (NEKWMD) regarding proposed amendment to Waste Management Plan

The Board reviewed a letter noticing public hearings and voting for the inclusion the Town of Topsham in NEKWMD.

8. Other business

No other business was discussed.

9. Outstanding check warrants

The Board reviewed and approved all outstanding check warrants.

10. Discussion regarding legal proceedings (executive session)

- Mr. Roberts moved to enter executive session. Seconded by Mr. Bunnell and approved by voice vote. Entered executive session at 7:30 p.m. Attendance in executive session: Mr. Faris, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Bunnell, and Mr. Heisholt.
- Mr. Roberts moved to exit executive session. Seconded by Mr. Bunnell and approved by voice vote. Exited executive session at 7:46 p.m.
- No action taken.

11. Adjournment

Mr. Roberts moved to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Bunnell and approved by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

A true copy.

Attest: _____
Town Clerk