

**MINUTES – SELECTMEN’S MEETING  
TOWN OF BARNET, VERMONT  
MONDAY, OCTOBER 28, 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 Jeremy Roberts presided as Chair for this meeting.

**Others present:** Road Foreman Keith Gadapee, Town Clerk Benjamin Heisholt, Zoning Administrative Officer Shirley Warden, Cassandra Bernier (Lyndon State College News 7), Katrina Floranza (Lyndon State College News 7), Glenn Howland, and Kevin Kelleher (Lyndon State College News 7).

**1. Approve minutes of special meeting held October 15, 2013**

Mr. Faris moved to approve as presented the minutes of the special meeting held October 15, 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. Town Forest Road paving.** Mr. Gadapee reported that Pike Industries has completed the majority of this year’s paving of Town Forest Road. The remainder of the job was postponed due to time restrictions, but will be completed this year.
- b. Anderson Street box culvert.** Mr. Gadapee reported that this project is completed. Mr. Gadapee and Treasurer Benjamin Heisholt will submit documents for cost reimbursement once all bills have been paid.
- c. West Main Street construction project.** Mr. Gadapee reported that this project is nearly complete, with only minor shoulder work remaining.
- d. Church Street bridge aprons.** Mr. Gadapee reported that Pike Industries patched Church Street bridge aprons, per the Board’s request, when paving on Anderson Street.
- e. Budget preparations.** Mr. Gadapee briefly discussed planning for 2014 projects and other Highway Department expenses.
- f. Winter truck preparations.** Mr. Gadapee reported that three of the Town’s five dump trucks are ready for the winter. The others still require routine preparations; one requires repair.
- g. Gravel pit meeting.** Mr. Gadapee and Mr. Bunnell arranged for a meeting at the gravel pit for discussion of planning for stripping the pit.

**4. Correspondence from Lister Ronald Morse regarding resignation**

Mr. Roberts read Mr. Morse’s letter of resignation effective October 21, 2013. Discussion ensued.

- The Board agreed to request from the Board of Listers the names of one or several nominees for the Board to appoint as a replacement for Mr. Morse until an election may be had in March 2014.

**5. Correspondence from Barnet School regarding Wellhead Protection Area**

Mr. Roberts read a letter from Facilities Director Burleigh Huntoon, which was sent to the Town because it owns land within the Wellhead Protection Area of the school’s water supply. The letter encourages landowners to take action to reduce the possibility of contamination of the water supply.

**6. Discussion regarding overpayment of property taxes by Milarepa Center**

Treasurer Benjamin Heisholt indicated that Milarepa Center intentionally overpaid its 2013 property taxes in the amount of \$333.49 as a donation to the Town. Mr. Heisholt asked how the Board would like to appropriate these unanticipated funds. Discussion ensued.

- Mr. Faris moved to deposit these funds to the Municipal Buildings Reserve Fund. Seconded by Mr. Bunnell and approved by voice vote.

**7. Other business**

- a. Uniform Municipal Excess Weight Permit.** The Board reviewed and approved the application of Robert Roy.
- b. “Thank You” card to Brendan and Kate Boardman.** The Board reviewed the copy of a note mailed by Zoning Administrative Officer Shirley Warden.

**8. Outstanding check warrants**

The Board reviewed and approved all outstanding check warrants.

**9. Discussion regarding legal proceedings (executive session)**

- Mr. Faris moved to enter executive session. Seconded by Mr. Bunnell and approved by voice vote. Entered executive session at 7:15 p.m. Attendance in executive session: Mr. Faris, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Bunnell, Mr. Heisholt, and Glenn Howland.
- Mr. Faris moved to exit executive session. Seconded by Mr. Bunnell and approved by voice vote. Exited executive session at 8:05 p.m.
- No action taken.

**10. Discussion regarding 2014 health insurance benefit (executive session)**

- Mr. Bunnell moved to enter executive session. Seconded by Mr. Faris and approved by voice vote. Entered executive session at 8:10 p.m. Attendance in executive session: Mr. Faris, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Bunnell, Mr. Gadapee, and Mr. Heisholt.
- Mr. Bunnell moved to exit executive session. Seconded by Mr. Faris and approved by voice vote. Exited executive session at 8:30 p.m.
- No action taken.

**11. Discussion regarding legal proceedings (executive session)**

- Mr. Bunnell moved to enter executive session. Seconded by Mr. Faris and approved by voice vote. Entered executive session at 8:30 p.m. Attendance in executive session: Mr. Faris, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Bunnell, and Mr. Heisholt.
- Mr. Faris moved to exit executive session. Seconded by Mr. Bunnell and approved by voice vote. Exited executive session at 8:35 p.m.
- No action taken.

**12. Adjournment**

Mr. Faris moved to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Bunnell and approved by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

*A true copy.*

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Town Clerk