

**St. Johnsbury Selectboard  
Regular Selectboard Meeting  
Monday November 25, 2013 at 7PM in the Pomerleau Building**

Present; Selectboard members Chair Kevin Oddy, VC Alan Ruggles, Jim Rust, Jeff Moore and Tom Moore, Town Clerk Stacy Jewell, Town Manager John Hall and Finance Officer David Ormiston.

Public attendance: See Attached

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.The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM

On a motion by Ruggles and T. Moore the minutes of the special Selectboard meeting of Oct.028, 2013.were approved 4-1 with Rust voting no.

On a motion by Ruggles and J. Moore the minutes of the regular Selectboard of Oct. 28, 2013 were approved.

On a motion by J. Moore and Rust the warrants were approved.

A catering license for Sodexho to cater an event at 1000 Main St. on Dec. 8, 2013 was approved on a motion by J. Moore and T. Moore. Rust abstained.

On a motion by J. Moore and T. Moore the board approved 3 adjustments to the grand list.

The board was presented with recommendations for a new IT infrastructure from Secured Network Services (SNS) our IT provider. They also talked about a possible update to the phone system by Valhalla. They described deficiencies in the present IT system, presented some ideas for upgrades and answered several questions. The board will look at this in context of the budget process.

The board discussed a potential ANR planning grant to look at upgrading the filtration tanks at the Stiles Pond plant. The consensus was that we should take look at the entire water system, determine our short and long term needs, what they will cost and how we will fund them. The board did not take action on the grant application.

Sue Cherry and Willie Nickerson presented two changes to the Zoning By- laws. After much discussion they were asked to make some modifications and come back to the next meeting.

Sue and Willie also presented three changes to the Town Ordinances that had been discussed at previous meetings.

On a motion by Rust and J. Moore the revisions to Chapter 7 were approved.

On a motion by Ruggles and T. Moore the revisions to Chapter 8 were approved with Rust abstaining.

The revisions to Chapter 12 were not approved. The Selectboard asked for some changes to be made then returned to next meeting.

The manager reported that Act 148 would require mandatory recycling. There was a recycling committee that has not been active recently but the board thought this might be a good issue to have them address. The manager will contact them.

On a motion by T. Moore and J. Moore the Selectboard ratified an action by the manger to allow an employee to withdraw a portion of their funds from the 457 Plan due to hardship.

Tom Moore reported on the public meeting held by VTrans to address the proposed reconstruction of the bridge over the Lamoille Valley Rail Trail on Rte. 2B past Banzai Bridge. The project may require the road be closed to through traffic and doing so will allow the reconstruction to be completed in 6-8 weeks.

Maurine Hennings was present for the St. Johnsbury Chamber of Commerce to request that the Selectboard allow free parking from Black Friday until New Years to encourage shopping in downtown St. Johnsbury.

On a motion by J. Moore and Ruggles the board approved allowing free park from Black Friday through New Years Day to encourage downtown shopping.

On a Motion by Ruggles and T. Moore the meeting was adjourned at 8.55PM.

