

**St. Johnsbury Selectboard
Regular Selectboard Meeting
Monday February 9, 2015 in the Pomerleau Building**

Present SB- Oddy, Ruggles, J. Moore, T. Moore and Murphy

Staff- Hall, Ormiston, Jewell

Press-Reed (CR) and KATV

Chair Oddy opened the public hearing at 7:00PM.

“The Chair will entertain a motion that the Board make a specific finding that premature public knowledge of discussion concerning the pending civil litigation in the lawsuit entitled Ralph Nelson v. Town of St. Johnsbury Selectboard et al., in which the Town is a party, and an update on the Town Manager search would clearly place the Town of St. Johnsbury at a substantial disadvantage.”

Motion by Ruggles and T. Moore

Chair: “The Chair will entertain a motion that the Board enter executive session pursuant to 1 V.S.A. Section 313 (a)(1)(E) to discuss the pending litigation in the lawsuit entitled Ralph Nelson v. Town of St. Johnsbury Selectboard et al., and an update on the Town Manager search as the premature public disclosure of which would clearly place the Town of St. Johnsbury at a substantial disadvantage.”

On a motion by Ruggles and T. Moore the board went into executive session at 7:05PM.

On a motion by Ruggles and J. Moore the board came out of executive session at 8:05PM

The Chair reported the town manager search was progressing on schedule with a decision to be made before the end of March.

On a motion by Ruggles and J. Moore, Jamie Murphy was appointed to replace Jim Rust on the Litigation Sub-Committee.

On a motion by Ruggles and T. Moore the minutes of the Jan. 26th Special Selectboard Meeting and the Jan. 26th Regular Selectboard Meeting were approved. Oddy and Murphy abstained.

On a motion by Ruggles and T. Moore the warrants were approved.

On a motion by J. Moore and T. Moore several liquor licenses were approved. The list is attached as an addendum to the minutes.

On a motion by Ruggles and T. Moore the board approved sending the Hazard Mitigation Plan, with the addition of the “buyout provision”, on to Vermont Emergency Management for their review and then to FEMA for their review and approval.

On a motion by Ruggles and J. Moore the board directed the Downtown Board to move forward on preparing the Designated Downtown renewal application.

On a motion by Ruggles and T. Moore passed a resolution approving the Planning Loan for the Moose River Crossing and the Water Filter Plant improvements.

On a motion by Ruggles and T. Moore the Selectboard approved signing the Loan application and tax certification.

On a motion by J. Moore and Ruggles the Selectboard agreed to waive vendor fees for the Maple fest on April 25th.

On a motion by Ruggles and T. Moore the approved John Hall to be the signatory and David Ormiston to be the auxiliary signatory for Project #'s WPL-221, RF1-153, RF1-168 and RF3-300.

On a motion by T. Moore and Murphy the meeting was adjourned at 8:34PM.

