

## TOWN OF WORCESTER, VERMONT

### MINUTES OF THE SELECTBOARD-REGULAR MEETING

October 3, 2016

**Select board members present:**

Roger Strobridge

Cheri Goldstein

James "Ted" Lamb

**Guests present:** None

The meeting was called to order by Roger at 6:38 p.m.

Roger moved to accept the minutes of the September 19, 2016 Selectboard meeting. Cheri seconded. Motion passed.

**Public Input:** None

**New Business:** An update was not available from the Social Concerns Committee.

The new excavator has arrived and is in use on Gould Hill. Roger reported that road signs for the highway department were purchased: There were two original bids for the signs both were well over \$1000.00 and the Road Commissioner found that there was grant money available from the Vermont League of Cities and Towns, which can purchase the signs under a state contract and they offer a 50/50 grant to the towns. The same signs had a total price of \$910.56 and because of the 50/50 split the town would only pay \$455.28 which is under the \$500.00 threshold and therefore no bid was required for the purchase.

Roger reported that Newton Trucking said they would hold the same price for delivering the sand next year if we could move the delivery date to mid or late May, rather than waiting until September when their demands for trucking are high." it would be possible only if the sand bids were done early, if the sand was available at that time and if the town budget had the funds available at that time. But we would still have to get bids for trucking of the sand.

The Selectboard agreed to establish a committee to investigate possible alternative times for town meeting.

**Old Business:** Construction of boiler chimneys is expected to begin soon.

Laurie LaBarthe paid her property taxes in full at the recent tax sale; Lohso property sold to the highest bidder, Joe Audet.

**Correspondence:** Bill Haines sent a letter to the Selectboard suggesting it adopt a policy and procedure for town purchases above \$25,000.

**Announcements:** The next regularly-scheduled Selectboard meeting will be on at 6:30 pm at the Worcester Town Clerk's Office.

**Bills:** Signed as presented.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Attest: James "Ted" Lamb