# **Poultney Board of Selectmen Meeting**

# Monday, October 27, 2014 - 6:30 P.M

## **Poultney Town Hall**

### **Agenda**

- 1) Adoption of the Agenda
- 2) Approval of Minutes: 10/14/14
- 3) Public Comments and Concerns:
- 4) Road Report
- 5) Town Manager's Report
  - Letters & Communications
  - Budget FY 2015
- 6) Transact Any Other Lawful Business:
- 7) Board Orders
- 8) Adjourn

#### Meeting Minutes Poultney Board of Selectmen Monday, October 27, 2014 - 6:30 PM Poultney Town Hall

Chairman Ed Lewis called the meeting to order. Selectmen present included: Jeff King, Frank Fressie and Tom Beatty. Others present included: Jonas Rosenthal, Town Manager; and Rozz and Kathy Warren.

<u>Adoption of the Agenda</u>: Jeff King made a motion to adopt the agenda as printed. Tom Beattie seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Approval of Minutes**: Frank Fressie made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of 10/14/14. Tom Beattie seconded the motion. Motion carried.

#### **Public Comments and Concerns:**

- 1) Rozz and Kathy Warren informed the Board that Roy Wilkenson's pigs were out again and dug up their lawn for the second time and asked the Board to take some action. Rosenthal mentioned that they had violated an earlier order of conditions imposed last May regarding the pigs that was investigated by the Vermont State Police. Rosenthal followed up with the State Police and they indicated it was not their problem and that the Rutland County Humane Society wanted nothing to do with the case and that it was up to the Town. Rosenthal also informed them that a neighbor agreed to take the pigs that were off of the owners property. Rosenthal informed them to call Ron Silver who had already gathered several pigs.
- 2) Rosenthal mentioned that Patricia Davenport, from the Poultney Cemetery Association came to the last Village Board of Trustees meeting to thank the Village Highway crew for making the crushed road materials available for the Poultney Cemetery road. She also thanked the Town Highway crew for applying the materials.
- 3) Car Inspection Stickers are being stolen from vehicles.

#### **Road Report:**

- 1) As a result of the prolonged periods of rain, the roads have developed a lot of potholes. When weather permits the roads will be graded and the potholes will be taken care of.
- 2) Rosenthal called the State Treasurer's Office to find out if there was a greater request in funds from the Municipal Equipment Loan program than were available for loans. There were funds available for the October round. All the Town needs is to notify them of the equipment that was selected.
- 3) The flashing red lights on the East Poultney bridge over the Gorge were installed. The grant will be closed out in the next few weeks.
- 4) The wood pile for the garage is up.
- 5) The brush by deep rocks along Route 140 has been cut and cleared.

#### **Town Manager's Report**:

1) Copies of a Noise Ordinance from Burlington City were distributed. The Ordinance was obtained by Joanne Sweeney, Trustee and asked the Town to look into adopting a similar ordinance. Rosenthal will give this to Dale for his review and comment.

- 2) Rosenthal has prepared the VLCT Insurance Renewal for Workers Compensation, Property and Casualty Insurances.
- 3) Rosenthal mentioned that the State Police Contract was due to expire at the end of October but did not have a new one in hand. Discussion followed. Jeff King made a motion to authorize Rosenthal to enter into a contract for State Police when it arrives.
- 4) Copies of the September 2014 Financial Report, prepared by Susan Kasuba were distributed.
- 5) The State Lands Forester, John Lones has notified the Town that it has issued two Notices of Determination in reference to the Ethan Ward property and the Moyer property a permit under the Heavy Cut Law.
- 6) Copies of an e-mail from Sarah Jarvis, an attorney with the Vermont League of Cities and Towns regarding Municipal Highway maintenance were distributed, reviewed and discussed. Rosenthal will seek from other Villages what they may have for shared maintenance agreements.

#### Transact Any and Other Lawful Business: None at this time.

**<u>Board Orders</u>**: Jeff King made a motion to approve and sign the Board Orders. Tom Beatty seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Jeff King made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Frank Fressie seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned. s/Jonas Rosenthal