

Sandgate Selectboard Minutes for Meeting of January 21, 2013

1. Call to order at 6:30 PM – Chair called meeting to order at 6:30pm.
2. Introduction of those present - Eleanor LaCross, Don Trachte, Judy Boehlert, Celeste Keel. Tom Fierravanti not present.
3. Approve minutes of January 10 & 14, 2013 – Motion by Don Trachte, second by Eleanor LaCross to approve minutes; approved 4-0.
4. Appearances by Local Citizens and Visitors – Ed Pike, Charlie Pike, Sonja Jaffee. Sonja Jaffee brought letter to board to commend Ed Pike on his work for the last 16 years and ask that the Board not terminate Ed. Board advised that Ed resigned on his own behalf.
5. Announcements - Grant Writing Workshop: February 12 in Rutland; February 14 in Waterbury. Tour of the Dragons scheduled for May 4 or 5 – approved to use roads in Sandgate for the bicycling race. Reappraisal: Town no longer under order to reappraise. Encouraged to do for 2014 or 2015.
6. Delinquent Tax Report – Sarah Gennealis – report brought by Eleanor.
Road Report – Ed Pike – no updates. Will be doing welding on Town Truck at his house. Rag bucket and Welding Cables need to be addressed/corrected in order to get further grants. Rag bucket issue corrected. Safety equipment grant deadline is April. Ed and Eleanor to work together on this. Would a security/alarm system installation be included. Recommendation is to upgrade welding equipment – approximately \$1,200. Board approves this purchase. Reflectors – some roads and sections thereof, need to be analyzed for installation of road reflectors. Start by marking culverts on both sides of road – work to begin in the summer. Revisit in June to proceed.
7. Old Business - Energy Audit of Town Hall – Done last Friday (1/18/13). Grant available for \$5000 to do work. Eleanor to make contact with contractors. Review Policies: Overweight Vehicles – motion to approve by Don Trachte; seconded by Eleanor LaCross; approved 4-0; Records Management – motion to approve made by Don Trachte; seconded by Eleanor LaCross; approved 4-0; Street Naming – motion to approve made by Celeste Keel; seconded by Don Trachte; approved 4-0.
8. New Business - Road Foreman position open – to advertise in Banner, Journal, website, and local town bulletin boards. Outreach letter for NFIP – Judy to send out letter to anyone in high hazard area. Cemeteries: Veteran's Grave site flags – Sandgate needs approximately 25 at \$1.30 per flag. Don Trachte will take care of this.
9. Review of Bills and Signing of Selectboard and Highway Orders
10. Adjourn – Motion to adjourn 7:20pm by Celeste Keel; seconded by Don Trachte; approved 4-0.

Next Meeting: February 4, 2013; 6:30 PM