

**Town of Orange Selectboard Meeting Minutes - Draft
December 14, 2015 6:00 p.m.**

In attendance: Ron Tallman, George Wild, Dustin Comstock, Kathie Felch & Lynn Craig

At 6:00 p.m. Board Chair Ron Tallman called the meeting to order.

- 1. George made a motion to approve the minutes of November 12th & November 23rd, 2015 with no changes and Dustin 2nd the motion.**
- 2. Agenda Revisions if any –**
 - a. The board discussed a letter the Auditors want to send out to area banks to check on all bank accounts for both the Town and School. Dustin made a motion to accept and sign the letter as written and George 2nd the motion. All board members signed the letter.**
 - b. The board reviewed the Property Division Valuation Report Equalization Study CLA for 2016 102.50.**
 - c. The board reviewed a letter from CVRPC about mitigation fees in addition to dues. Kathie will get further details and we will discuss at the December 30th meeting.**
- 3. George made a motion to sign the agreement with Ray McLeod for Manning Rd. temporary detour on his land that will be happening in the spring when the bridge is being replaced and Dustin 2nd the motion.**
- 4. The board reviewed the quote for the culvert thawer from HOP Sales & Service and discussed using the money made from the Timber Sales (\$6,288.76 and the balance from the Equipment Savings) quote came in at \$6,930 however, if decision was made tonight a discount would be applied of \$200. Dustin made a motion to purchase per quote and discount using the money as described above and George 2nd the motion. Ron explained that going forward once new purchasing policy is approved a purchase like this will need to go out to bid. George will contact HOP Sales & Service and have new invoice faxed to the office for Kathie to cut a check.**
- 5. The board discussed a newspaper article re: runoff from roadways. Ron feels that our town is doing a great job with culverts and ditching and no further review is needed at this time.**
- 6. A review of e-mails with the Lawyer were discussed with regard to the Camerota service charges. Dustin made a motion to continue to hold off on any further action and let them continue to send bills and George 2nd the motion. George will advise John to refer any phone calls he may receive to Kathie and she will refer to the attorney. Lynn will notify our attorney of how we wish to proceed at this time.**
- 7. The board approved the Payroll & Accounts Payable warrants**
- 8. The board discussed the outdoor/indoor lighting at the town garage. They wish to confirm pricing with Dave Martineau of Martineau Electric and pay him a deposit before the end of the year for completion of work to be done by the end of February. Lynn will contact Dave and forward final figures to the board at the December 30th meeting.**
- 9. Review 2015 & 2016 Budget**

10. Other Business:

- a. **Solar Farm Proposal – Rte. 110 – Discussion about other town’s process. Rutland has a petition Ron will check into whether we want to sign a petition and discuss further at future meetings.**
- b. **The board reviewed the revised Loader Bid and George made a motion to approve as written and mail out December 15, 2015 with dates as listed for return by Monday January 4th, 2016 at 4:00 p.m. and opening of the bids on Monday January 11th, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. meeting Dustin 2nd the motion. Lynn will mail to Anderson Equipment, Nortrax, Milton Cat, Wood’s CRW Corp., Pete’s Equipment, Beauregard Equipment, Dion Equipment Sales, & Townline Equipment.**
- c. **Review Orange County Court Preliminary Budget – Ron will be going to a meeting on Thursday December 17th, 2015 to get further details. Kathie will send Ron an e-mail with questions and concerns and we will discuss the outcome at the December 30th meeting.**
- d. **Review Barre Town EMS monthly report – The board likes getting the breakdown and feels they are doing a great job.**

11. Next meeting December 30, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. – final warrant

George made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m. and Dustin 2nd the motion.

Submitted by Lynn Craig Assistant Town Clerk December 14th, 2015