**APRIL 8TH SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**CALLED TO ORDER AT 7PM BY ROBERT CRELLER**

**PRESENT:** Robert Creller, Alton Bruso, Guy Palardy, Steve Aubin, Bernard Savage Sr. and Donna Bohannon.

**GUESTS:** Amy Erno Mashtare, Cheryl Dunn, Bing Pero, Josh Bagnato (Representing *New England Clean Power),* Jim Honsinger, Derek Thuraiaiyah, and Alan Bowzer.

**ADJUST THE AGENDA:** *No adjustment needed.*

**1. APPROVAL OF THE FOLLOWING MINUTES:**

**03/25/2014** SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES – Guy Palardy motioned to accept the minutes as written – Alton Bruso seconded – *Motion carried*

**2. OLD BUSINESS:**

* **Town Garage**
  + Pump Station – *Steve Aubin will talk to Doug Medor about options.*
  + 1” water meter - *Steve Aubin will talk to Doug Medor about options.*
  + Plumbing / drinking Fountain - *Steve Aubin will talk to Doug Medor* *about options.*
  + Air Compressor Lines – *Lines are on order.*
  + Old Boiler Sale – *Boiler is sold and gone. Remove from Agenda*
* **VLCT Hazardous Notes –** *Ventilation shutters and necessary equipment are on order so work can be completed.*
* **Bathroom Sink at Library –** *Jim Honsinger took out the wall so Steve Aubin can repair the pipes. Steve will have them repaired by 04/10/2014.*
* **Ancient Road Discontinuation by 2015 –** *No update at this time.*
* **ERAF (Emergency Relief and Assistance Fund) -** *No update at this time.*
* **13 East Alburgh Rd –** *Going out for sealed bid sale – clerk to get advice from attorney, advertise and write up sale information.*
* **Roger Lanoue request for board to look in to cemetery behind his business –** *No action needed at this time. Remove from agenda.*

**3. NEW BUSINESS / MISCELLANEOUS:**

* **New England Clean Power Link –** *Josh Bagnato (representative for New England Clean Power Link) talked to the board about the proposed project and gave them an idea of what it was about. Josh will keep clerk updated on the progress of the project and will answer any question that the board or town may have in regards to the project. Josh stated that they hope to secure all the necessary permits by 2015 and have the project operational by 2019. There will be field studies going on this summer (2014).*
* **Vegetables for Everyone Project –** *Derek Thuraiaiyah explained to the board his proposed project of placing 60 barrels around town and growing vegetables in them for anyone to take as they needed them. Suggestions and questions about location and maintenance were addressed. Derek will make a map of the locations for the barrels so that the board can decide if they will be placed appropriately.*
* **Symquest Contract –** *The board will decide if we want to renew the existing contract and keep the machine we have or if we want to change machines and go with a new contract.*
* **2014 Better Backroads Grant Application –** *The Board looked at the application and decided that they want to apply for the grant. They are going to talk to John Beaulac to see if he can suggest any particular project for the grant.*

**4. VISITOR INPUT –** *During the discussion about the library, Jim Honsinger gave the board his quote for the work that needs to be done at the library including the replacement of windows and repair of some of the siding that is rotting. He also mentioned the sidewalk at the entrance to the parking lot that is flooding. Cheryl Dunn suggested that they push the snow further away from the sidewalk so that it doesn’t get built up so much. The consensus was that other than raising the entire sidewalk several inches there wasn’t a lot that could be done to prevent the water from pooling there. Jim also mentioned some pieces of old wood in back of the library that could pose hazardous to anyone walking around out there. He stated that he will bring the debris out to the side of the building and Bing said that he will make sure it gets hauled away on Wednesday when they pick up the trash. Jim also gave the board a quote for a building at the Transfer Station. There was some discussion about money budgeted for work at the library for this fiscal year vs. next fiscal year and the clerk was asked to check on the allocation of money for the library. – Bing Pero mentioned that Jackie Rainville had a complaint about the water that runs in to her property since the road has been raised. She asked him if they could install culverts to direct the water down to the lake instead of her horse pasture.*

**5. TABLED TOPICS AND / OR WAITING RESULTS:**

* **Missile Base Sale –** *Clerk informed board that we have several people inquiring about the Missile Base. Bing Pero stated that there is still a lot of work that needs to be done there before it can be sold. The board agreed that anything left up there needs to be taken care of properly (there are still barrels that may contain hazardous waste). Bing and Amy Erno Mashtare agreed to get together and figure out how to dispose of the barrels properly. It was agreed that it would be mid-June at the earliest before the property would be ready to sell. Remove from agenda.*
* **Town Charter Creation –** *No ideas for charter at this time. Remove from agenda.*
* **Danny Bevins vs. William Duchaine & Town of Alburgh –** *No public update at*

*this time.*

**6. APPROVE INVOICES AND / OR OVERWEIGHT PERMITS:** *All invoices and overweight permits approved and signed.*

**Steve Aubin motioned to go into executive session at 9PM – seconded by Bernard Savage - motion carried.**

**Steve Aubin motioned to leave executive session at 9:05PM seconded by Guy Palardy – motion carried. –** *No action taken at this time.*

**7. ADJOURN:** *Guy Palardy motioned to adjourn at 9:05 – seconded by Alton Bruso – motion carried.*

Respectfully submitted,

Donna L. Bohannon

Alburgh Town Clerk

Please note the above minutes HAVE NOT been approved. Approval or changes to the minutes will be addressed at the next meeting, currently scheduled for April 22nd, 2014.