

**Town of Orange Selectboard
Meeting Minutes - Draft
November 14, 2016
6:00 p.m.**

In attendance – Dustin Comstock, George Wild, Eric Holmgren, Kathie Felch, Lynn Craig, John Barnes, Lee Cattaneo, George Malek, Dan Currier, and Bill Bohnyak.

Dustin called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

The board welcomed Dan Currier of the CVRPC. Dan presented a power point to review the Vermont Act 64 and the Municipal Roads General Permit. The problems facing our waters statewide are alga blooms, invasive species, encroachment of the waterways, and runoff from development. The Legislature passed the Vermont Clean Water Act in the spring of 2015. We reviewed the Timeline. Fall 2015 – Winter 2016 Outreach to Municipalities and the start of regional planning commissions. Winter 2016 Undertake stakeholder process to develop permit and standards. Fall 2016 – Winter 2017 Draft municipal roads general permit. December 31st, 2016 issue TS4 permit for State Road System. Fall 2017 – Winter 2018 Issue municipal roads general permit. 2018 – 2021 Specific permit application and implementation deadlines will vary and will be determined during the development process. Outreach, technical assistance and funding will be provided by VTrans Local Roads Program, Better Backroads grants, and VTrans District Staff. DEC Ecosystem Restoration Program Grants. Regional Planning Commissions, Watershed groups, and Natural Resource Conservation Districts. Contacts are – Clean Water Initiative – Kari Dolan kari.dolan@vermont.gov, Municipal Roads – Jim Ryan jim.ryan@vermont.gov, Central VT Regional Planning – Dan Currier currier@cvregion.com.

George made a motion to approve the minutes from October 17th, and Eric 2nd the motion. Eric made a motion to approve the minutes from November 2nd, and George 2nd the motion.

Agenda Revisions – Senecal Road, Chase & Chase proposal.

Dustin welcomed Bill Bohnyak Orange County Sheriff. Bill discussed the statistics for the last year.

65 Complaints to Orange County

187 Complaints to Vermont State Police

96 Tickets Issued

28 Accidents

Over \$14,000 in fines issued

Working on a DUI checkpoint project with no cost to the Town.

They are working on a new LEADS program (Law Enforcement Against Drugs in Schools) with schools and will be doing presentations in 10 schools after the first of the year.

The Town is looking to increase the budget for 2017 from \$6,500 - \$10,000 and current hourly rate of \$40.00 until May and then increase to \$42.00. And they will try and focus on the areas the town has received complaints on (Smith Road, Richardson Road, Spencer Road, George Street).

The Board discussed the upcoming closing for the real estate transaction at the Town Garage. No date yet set but Dustin should be available if needed.

The Board reviewed the agreement from Barre Town for plowing and sanding of Ladd Road and Partridge with no changes. George made a motion to approve and Eric 2nd the motion.

The Board discussed the installation of the new floor drain at the Town Garage. Complete and George signed off on the paperwork to be submitted.

The Board reviewed the 2016 Budget. Running low on Paving/Resurfacing. Still working on getting guardrails on Emery completed in 2016. Bills will be coming for paving work completed on Tucker Road, and Reservoir Road from Green Mountain Paving. Kathie will order another 4 loads of Salt by the end of the year.

The Board reviewed the 2017 Budget. General Fund in order – Highway Fund - Addition figures are looking like around \$17,000 +/- so we may think of waiting for 2018 or doing a partial project in 2017 and completion in 2018. Quotes reviewed for new Grader Tires. John suggested 2 for 2017 and then 2 each year after that. Apply for grant for Stone Line Ditch on Provencher Road & Riddle Pond Road.

The Board reviewed and approved Payroll & Accounts Payable Warrants.

Agenda Revisions – The Board reviewed the proposal from Chase & Chase to complete the Survey/Placement of pins in the Town Pit for \$5,000 +/- . There has been some question about the lines to place the posted signs. We reviewed the survey of 1982 and feel that cost is too high. Kathie will review what we already have with Chase & Chase and then possibly put out to bid.

Agenda Revisions – Senecal Road – John explained no change in the vehicles in the way for the trucks to turn around safely. Dustin & George will go up and take a look and contact the property owners.

Other Business – Gazebo Update – still behind schedule but hoping to get roof on by the weekend.
Cookbook Update – Still needing recipes hoping to complete for sales to take place at Town Meeting.

Peake Cemetery – Postponed until spring.

Next Meeting – December 12th, and final meeting of 2016 set for December 28th, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.

Eric made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m. and George 2nd the motion.

Attest: Lynn Craig, Assistant Town Clerk