

Charlotte Selectboard

June 28, 2010 Meeting

APPROVED

Selectboard Members Present: Jennifer Cole, Charles Russell, Ed Stone, Winslow Ladue, John Owen

Administration Present: Dean Bloch

Community Members Present: Wadi Sawabini, Gordon Brown, Matt Wamsganz, Barb Russ, Dean Williams, Stan Miller, Eleanor Russell, Tiffany Shaw, Stephen Brooks, Gordon Bouchard, Deb and Duncan Daudelin, Stanley Miller, Nancy Wood, Bob Hyams, John Hammer, Lee and Lisa Mayo, Eileen and Jamie Harmon, Rosemarie Harmon, Loe Tinker and Ola Zeno, Pat Bluto, Roy Jones, Kate Lampton, Dave Krolick, Carlie Krolick, Jennifer Adsit, Peter Engel, Laura Crandall, Dorothy Pellett, Jack Pilla, Larry Hamilton, Lynne Jaunich

Call to Order—Charles Russell called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM.

Adjustments to Agenda: None

Public Comment: Stephen Brooks asked about how to pay for cemetery costs for the remainder of the year. He was told to work with the existing budget.

Dean Williams and Barbara Russ—authorization of application for conditional use review at 280 North Shore Road, Thompson's Point Lot 155

Mr. Williams and Ms. Russ were present, and their engineer, Matt Wamsganz of Civil Engineering Associates, Inc. was also present.

Ed motioned to authorize the conditional use review application for lakeshore stabilization, with a condition that the stone color of the new stones match the existing natural stones, with Charles and Jenny to verify. John seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

Jenny asked about adding discussion of Thompson's Point parking and burn pile on a future agenda. Winslow requested getting the Town attorney's opinion.

Interview for Planning Commission vacancy. Gerald Bouchard and George Gordon Brown were interviewed. *No action taken.*

Interview for Conservation Commission vacancy. Tiffany Shaw was interviewed. *Ed motioned to appoint Tiffany Shaw to the Conservation Commission for a term ending in April, 2014.* Jenny seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

John Hammer—request to add lighting to flagpole at intersection of Ferry Road & Greenbush Road. *Ed motioned to approve lighting as proposed.* John seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

Waitsfield Champlain Valley Telecom—petition for use of the public right-of-way to replace approximately 700 feet of cable near the intersection of Turtle Moon Road and Cedar Beach Road. Nancy Wood and Stephen Brooks commented.

Ed motioned to approve the petition with a condition that Junior Lewis review the installation and verify that things have been put back appropriately. Winslow seconded the motion, and it passed 5-0.

Minutes of June 14. Jenny motioned to approve with an edit. John seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

Flea Market—Dan Jones, Roy Jones, and several vendors were present. There was discussion regarding whether camping occurs, and whether it should be allowed. Winslow and John suggested that legal issues be further researched. *No action was taken.*

Charlotte Conservation Fund—Kate Lampton presented suggested edits to the procedure (Charlotte Conservation Fund guidelines), which she had worked on with others at the request of the Selectboard. Nancy Wood asked about impacts on landowners. Ellie Russell stated that the issues speak to the need for open space planning. Winslow stated that, at Town Meeting when the fund was reapproved, one of the “selling points” was that conserving properties will result in lower taxes—so he wondered whether this should be a criteria for projects. Jenny said that it should be made clear that the Town may, or may not, own the land. Ed stated that there might be conditions of fund disbursement. Charles and Jenny wondered about adding “other committees, such as Affordable Housing Committee. Kate said she thinks it is important to stay with the original mission of the fund. Kate will rework and come back with a revised draft. *No action taken.*

Town Hall—Dick St. George was present, and was authorized to determine the likely extent of work for \$300. He will report back at the next meeting. *No action taken.*

Energy Committee—the committee was not ready to have a contract approved for energy efficiency work on the Town Hall. *No action taken.*

Charlotte Park and Wildlife Refuge agricultural lease—the Selectboard discussed issuing a letter advertising the lease with members of the Park Committee. *No action was taken.*

West Charlotte village wastewater planning—Winslow presented a timeline for working on the issue. There was agreement to proceed, though *no official action was taken.*

Creation of public water supply at Charlotte Central School—Lynne Jaunich and Stephen Brooks were present. Lynne indicated that the school looked into this, and it would cost between \$5,000 and \$15,000 for a different filtration system and additional testing. *No action taken.*

Town Party—the Selectboard discussed having a table. *No action taken.*

Litigation

Ed made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss litigation regarding the Plouffe Lane Trailhead. Winslow seconded the motion and it passed 5-0. *Ed made a motion to come out of Executive Session.* John seconded the motion and it passed 5-0. *No action taken.*

Appointment to Planning Commission

Ed motioned to appoint Gerald Bouchard to the Planning Commission for the remainder of John Owen’s term, ending April, 2012. John seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

Adjournment

Ed motioned to adjourn at 10:39 PM. John seconded. The motion approved 5-0.

Minutes submitted by Dean Bloch