

**Select Board Members**

Peter Hood, Chair  
 Mary Just  
Skinner,  
Vice Chair  
 William Callnan  
 Steve Martin  
 Liz Scharf

**MIDDLESEX SELECT BOARD**  
**Tuesday, August 26, 2014**  
**5:00 PM**  
**Middlesex Town Clerk's Office**  
**5 Church Street**  
**Middlesex, Vermont 05602**  
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**MINUTES**

Present: Chair Peter Hood, Vice Chair Mary Just Skinner (by speaker phone), Select Board Members Steve Martin and Liz Scharf, Treasurer and Zoning Administrator Cindy Carlson, Katharine Shapiro (by phone) and Select Board Assistant Sarah Merriman.

**Call to Order/Amendments**

Peter called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m.. Cindy amended the agenda to include consideration of a new configuration to Katharine Shapiro's subdivision on Upper Sunnybrook Road.

**Emergency Management Committee**

**Steve moved and Mary seconded a motion to form a new Emergency Management Committee consisting of Emergency Management Coordinator David Jablonksi, Fire Chief Doug Hanson, Road Foreman Paul Cerminara, Animal Control Officer Erika Holm, Rumney School Board Representative Chris McVeigh and Select Board Representative Liz Scharf. The motion passed.**

**Recreation Committee Appointments**

**Mary moved and Steve seconded a motion to appoint Jason Merrill, Mark Campbell, Jeff Pryce, Brian Van Hoy and Tammy Joslin to the reorganized town Recreation Committee. The motion passed.**

**Approval of Wood & Wood Sign Proposal**

The Board reviewed a proposal from Wood & Wood to charge \$1240 - \$1350 for three Dibond signs to feature a design by Jim Hood that would be posted on Village properties owned by Mary Jo Davis, Lise Wexler and the town this fall to close out an Enhancement Grant. **Liz moved and Steve seconded approval of spending no more than \$1350 on Dibond signs. The motion passed.**

In addition, the Board agreed it had no problem with attorney Rob Halpert drawing up easements for the signs on properties owned by Lise and Mary Jo even though he represents Mary Jo Davis in other matters. In deference to Lise's request to be able to move the sign on her property if necessary, the Board agreed that the easements should note that the town will move the signs upon mutual agreements of both parties.

### **Katharine Shapiro's Subdivision**

Cindy said Katharine wanted to modify a proposed three-lot subdivision the Board had previously approved after one lot lacked necessary road frontage. Though one of the lots would not have road frontage under the new configuration, an existing 20-foot right-of-way would provide access. **Steve moved and Liz seconded a motion to approve the reconfigured subdivision. The motion passed.**

### **Other Business**

1. The Board reviewed AOT plans to redo a failing bridge on Route 12 and agreed there were no concerns.
2. Steve as Road Commissioner reviewed Washington Electric Cooperative's plans to install a 7200 electric volt distribution line on Macey Road in the town's right-of-way and said it would provide no obstacle. **He moved and Liz seconded a motion to approve WEC's permit. The motion passed.**
3. **Mary moved and Liz seconded ratification of a catering permit for McGillicuddy's Pub to serve alcohol at Dubois Construction on August 26, 2014. The motion passed.**
4. **Liz moved and Steve seconded a motion to appoint Town Moderator Susan Clark as the Select Board representative at the VLCT Annual Meeting on October 9, 2014. The motion passed.**
5. **Steve moved and Mary seconded approval of the July 22, 2014 Select Board Minutes. The motion passed.**
6. The Board reviewed correspondence from the Green Mountain Stage Race.
7. Sarah updated the Board on VLCT's plan to pay for \$5,500 of repairs to the town's excavator – with the town paying a \$1,000 deductible – after the equipment was damaged by a low-hanging Fairpoint Communications line that snagged the excavator while it was being transported by John Picard down Shady Rill Road in July. Peter suggested writing VLCT a letter urging its PACIF division to reconsider subrogating the claim to Picard's insurance company and instead directly filing a claim against Fairpoint since the damage was Fairpoint's fault.
8. All orders were signed.

### **Adjournment**

Peter declared the meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Merriman, Select Board Assistant