P.I.L.O.T. Public Works and Engineering Department Head visits

1. Call to order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Announce changes to agenda.
4. Consider approving minutes from meeting of July 1, 2014
5. Announcements
6. Receive guests (for non-agenda items).
7. Discussion Windywood Housing LLC’s developer’s agreement.
8. Consider calling for special town meeting on November 4 and including article about joining the Central Vermont Regional Public Safety Authority.
9. Consider authorizing purchase of new dump truck through last fiscal year’s contract.
10. Consider awarding road crack sealing contract.
11. Consider approving weekly accounts payable warrants.
12. Miscellaneous: including Maplewood Convenience Store’s second class Alcohol and maybe others.
13. ‘Round the Table.”
14. Executive Session, if needed
15. Adjourn.

BARRE TOWN SELECTBOARD MINUTES
July 15, 2014

The duly warned meeting of the Barre Town Selectboard of July 15, 2014 was held at the Barre Town Municipal Building, Selectboard Room, Lower Websterville at 7:00 p.m.

The following members were in attendance: Jeff Blow, Robert LaClair, W. John "Jack" Mitchell, and Tom White.

Attendance for the regular meeting included: Town Manager Carl Rogers, Assistant Town Manager Andrew Dorsett, Assistant Town Clerk Deborah Lefebvre, Town Engineer-Harry Hinrichsen, Director of Public Works- Richard Tetreault, Paul McGinley, George Malek, Jay Perkins, William Wolfe, Dona Bate, Art Shields, and Richard Colton.

CALL TO ORDER - The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

Under Item # 12 Miscellaneous- add Fireworks Permit for Robert LePage and a presentation of a draft of the proposed Donation of Services Policy by Andrew Dorsett.

MINUTES

On a motion by Mitchell, seconded by White, the Selectboard voted unanimously to approve the Selectboard Meeting Minutes of July 1, 2014. Tessier was not present for the vote.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- There is a community yard sale to benefit the Websterville Playground on Friday August 1st and Saturday August 2nd from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm. To make donations or volunteer please contact Tracy Wright at 476-6125.

- The Friends of the Aldrich Public Library are holding their Summer Book Sale on Friday July 25th from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm and on Saturday July 26th from 7:30 am
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- On Saturday July 26th the Gear Works Production is holding its 4th Annual 12 Hours of Millstone bike race at the Millstone Trail System. This is a 12 hour relay race and mountain bike festival. This is a family friendly, festive event held in Websterville. Proceeds to benefit the Millstone Trail Association. For more information or to register visit gearworkproductions.com. The Quarries Disc Golf course will be closed for this event.

- The Barre Heritage Festival is from July 23rd to the 27th. The Barre Heritage 5K run is on Sunday July 27th. Please note the Quarries Disc Golf course will be closed until 11:00 am for the race. For more information about the festival or to register for the 5K run, visit barreheritagefestival.org or call 249-8996.

- On Sunday August 17th the MTA will host the Millstone Grind, an eight mile mountain bike race that is composed of approximately 90% single track. The race is located in the Barre Town Forest. To register or learn more about this event visit millstonegrind.com.

- Tax bills have been mailed. Please be aware that your tax bill also includes your sewer bill. If your taxes are escrowed, you are responsible for sending a copy of the bill to the mortgage holder or escrow manager, but please keep a copy of your tax bill to pay your sewer bill with.

**GUESTS - None**

DISCUSS WINDYWOOD HOUSING LLC'S DEVELOPER'S AGREEMENT

Guests- Representing Windywood: Art Shields and Richard Colton.

**Background:** Windywood Housing (WH) received subdivision approval from our planning commission in 2007. The Act 250 permit was settled in 2011. Due to the economy and lack of interest in new houses the developers put this project on hold. They want to begin construction this summer, and build three housing units this fall/winter.

The Project includes a town owned road, stormwater system and sanitary sewer system. The city will own the water lines. The developer's agreement encapsulates all the permit conditions, ordinance requirements and construction phase requirements in one document. It doesn’t create new requirements. A vital feature is the performance or completion of financial surety. This provision is intended to ensure the town doesn’t have to foot the bill if the developer walks away from the project with incomplete infrastructure.

**Action/recommendation:** I just received this draft agreement Thursday night. The developers were told we might not be ready for the Selectboard to take action Tuesday but we could have a good discussion, especially since 3 members don't know about this development. No action is expected. The developers do plan to start clearing and grubbing the land before the July 29 meeting.

Carl Rogers reviewed the proposed Development Agreement for this Project, noting several additions/clarifications that he would like to see. Windy Wood Housing LLC had no objections and the changes would be made. There was some discussion about who would be responsible for maintenance of the fire hydrants: the Town or the Windy Wood Home Owners Association, as currently stated in the proposed agreement. Would need to have DRB review if the Town were to take over responsibility for fire hydrant maintenance. Mitchell also asked to see the bylaws for the Home Owners Association.

No action was taken but the item will be placed on the agenda for the next Selectboard meeting.
CONSIDER CALLING FOR A SPECIAL TOWN MEETING ON NOVEMBER 4 AND INCLUDING AN ARTICLE ABOUT JOINING THE CENTRAL VERMONT REGIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY AUTHORITY

Background: Enclosed is a message about the Authority's initial meeting. You asked to have this on the agenda so you could decide if public safety authority question will be presented to the voters for a decision. You will be deciding if you will call for a special town meeting on November 4, 2014 to coincide with the state general election and if you will include on the special town meeting ballot an article about joining the authority. You've also heard about Town Charter amendments that could be presented for voter approval. The Warning for a Special Town Meeting doesn't need to be set yet. Hold action on the Warning until the Charter amendments are drafted.

The decision about enrolling in the authority is monumental. It isn't simply a matter of voter preference. The consequences of joining will be drastic. If you vote to place the question on a ballot I encourage you to recommend residents vote against it. You shouldn't put this fundamental question on the ballot without input.

Discussion included how far forward the town should move with the Authority and when and how they would be able to withdraw if it was determined it was no longer in the town's best interest. There are still many unanswered questions, particularly regarding finances and some feel the town should get as much information as possible.

Others pointed out that the town currently has an excellent fire department and outstanding EMS department. The Police department also has provided excellent public safety even when working with vacancies in their staffing. Also that the support study conducted revealed the public safety needs of Barre Town are very different than those of cities (Barre and Montpelier). Why would we want to screw that up on something that may or may not be a good fit for the town?

Carl Rogers summarized that joining the Authority would require a town vote as well would un-joining the authority. The other side is that the town would opt in or opt out of services, and the budget for that would require voter approval.

No decision was made and no action taken because a board member was not present but the item will be added to the agenda for the next Selectboard meeting.

CONSIDER AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF NEW DUMP TRUCK THROUGH LAST FISCAL YEAR'S CONTRACT

Background: Per an email from Mike Martel: Charlebois offered to sell us our FY 14-15 truck at the same price as the ‘13-’14 truck(Charlebois won the competitive bid). Mike and Tate suggest we accept this offer. The price of the 2015 Freightliner 114 SD cab and chassis was $89,470. The two extended warranty's added $8,800. We have a total of $160,000 budgeted for this truck cab, chassis, dump body and plow system.

There was discussion about whether the money spent on extended warranties was cost effective. Don't need to make a decision on this truck's extended warranty yet. Will try to gather some information about repairs, cost etc. to compare and determine if the money spent on the extended warranties is worth it.

On a motion by White and seconded by Mitchell, the Selectboard voted to authorize the purchase of the 2015 Freightliner 114 SD cab and chassis for $89,470. Tessier was not present for the vote.

CONSIDER AWARDING ROAD CRACK SEALING CONTRACT

Background: We mailed specs to 3 companies and received 1 bid- from NICOM. The bid is for $12.75 per gallon. NICOM's price last year was $12.25. NICOM has our contract almost every year. They do excellent work for us. I recommend you vote to award the 2014
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road crack sealing contract to NICOM based on their bid of $12.75 per gallon of sealing material.

On a motion by LaClair and seconded by White, the Selectboard unanimously to award the Road Crack Sealing bid of $12.75 per gallon to NICOM. Tessier was not present for the vote.

WEEKLY ACCOUNTS PAYABLE WARRANT

On a motion by Mitchell, seconded by LaClair, the Selectboard approved the accounts payable warrant for July 8 and July 15, 2014. Tessier was not present for the vote.

MISCELLANEOUS

On a motion by White, seconded by LaClair, the Selectboard voted unanimously to approve and authorize the Town Clerk to sign a fireworks permit for Robert LePage, LePage Gravel Pit on Farwell Street to hold an event on July 19, 2014. Tessier was not present for the vote.

On a motion by LaClair, seconded by White, the Selectboard voted unanimously to approve the Second Class 2014 Alcohol & Tobacco License for Maplewood Convenience Store. Tessier was not present for the vote.

Andrew Dorsett presented a draft of a Donation of Services Policy that he is working on to the board. The Town does not currently have a formal policy to govern the donation of services. No action was taken.

'ROUND THE TABLE

White put a shout out to Mr. Tessier to get well soon, as he was absent from tonight’s meeting.

Mitchell asked how much of the reserve was used when setting the tax rate and how much that left in the reserve. Carl reported that $60,900 was used from the reserve and that left between $700,000 and $800,000 in the fund which is where it should be according to the Auditor’s recommendations.

Had the town heard any feedback from residents regarding the letter sent to residents about the installation of pressure reducing valves? Carl reported that he had heard no feedback yet.

Could the department heads present to the Selectboard a review of the formats that their reports use so they are better able to understand them? Carl will ask them.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - None

ADJOURN

On a motion by White, seconded by White, the Selectboard voted unanimously to adjourn at 8:48 p.m.

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Deborah Lefebvre, Assistant Town Clerk  Selectboard Chair

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Barre Town Selectboard