

Minutes- Selectboard 6 PM January 28 2016

1. Call to order at 6:10 pm- Attendance: Greg Eckhardt, Jeremiah Evarts, Chrystal Cleary, Andrea Ogden, John Ogden, Anne McClaran, John Turpin
2. Motion to approve previous meeting's minutes- Approved unanimously
3. Anne reported on the selective timber harvest in Evarts Forest and Kyle's work marking trees for the view shed. An important concern for this cutting is to be careful and not damage other trees felling or getting logs out. Jerry spoke with Karl Pfister about possibly taking logs out with horse teams, but he is moving away from that sort of project. John O. had spoken with Cameron about the job as well and he had agreed to do it. John will call Cameron and confirm his interest.
4. John Turpin is here as an abutter to Evarts Forest and is interested in issues surrounding the harvest of timber as well as trail development and parking access. The Selectboard responded to his concerns by saying that the Town will plant screening vegetation to hide the view of any parking area that gets developed, and will keep Mr Turpin informed and invited him to stay involved in the Evarts Forest planning. Some specific tree removals for Mr Turpin's view was discussed, but two particular very old, very large white pines are desired by the Forester and Conservation Commission to be retained as legacy trees on the parcel.
5. The Selectboard members signed the final Pitcher Forest Management Plan, the Town Meeting Warning, and the contract with CAI-Tech for the town map program.
6. Town Shed/Leurich Property update - an email from Vermont Land Trust to Lexi outlined the steps needed to proceed by breaking the restrictions on the property: One is the preparation of Quitclaim deeds from the Terrells and from the Town. Jerry will contact the Terrells and Lexi about those deeds.
7. Road and Bridge Grants- if not done previously, the applications for the State Roads grants will be done by the Selectmen at the evening SB meeting in March (4th Thursday). Bridge grants are due April 15th.
8. Meeting Adjourned at 7:15 pm

Respectfully submitted by Town Clerk, Chrystal Cleary