

**Draft Minutes**  
**Landgrove Selectboard Meeting- 10/23/2014 6:00 PM**

Landgrove Town Hall, 88 Landgrove Road, Landgrove VT

Attendance: Jeremiah Evarts, John Ogden, Andrea Ogden, Chrystal Cleary, Allison Langsdale (BCRC), Jeff Cleary (Schools), Steve Hall (Road Commissioner), Esther Fishman (Londonderry Transfer and Recycling Station), Dr. Gerald Hazard (89 Nichols Road)

- Dr Gerald Hazard spoke about the culvert across the front of his driveway on Nichols Road, he feels that the crowning and ditching work the Town performed to improve the condition and maintenance of the road has negatively affected his property and observes that water that used to run down the other side of the road during the time he has owned this property now runs into a ditch or swale on his land and is eroding his driveway access.

Without having seen the property yet, the Selectboard noted that maintenance of culverts is each property owner's responsibility and the Town has the authority to ditch and work within 25 feet of the road. After Tropical Storm Irene and some heavy mud seasons, the Town has become much more proactive about properly crowning and ditching all its roads so they don't wash out and can hold up to the unfreezing in spring.

Though the camp has been there for time out of mind, if a driveway were to be constructed there today it would require a culvert in order to be granted an access permit. The possibility of cost-sharing was raised, as Dr. Hazard stated this is a new problem he believes caused by the road improvement, but this brings up the possibility of precedent-setting wherein other property owners would expect the Town to subsidize work on their culverts as well. The Selectboard decided to investigate the bylaws, the State highway laws and examine the property. Steve will ask Mary Merrill for an estimate on installing a culvert. With the information gleaned from these efforts, the Selectboard will discuss and consider the appropriate course to take.

- Esther Fishman reported on the mandatory recycling law and the efforts to increase compliance undertaken by the Transfer Station. The town has agreed to distribute information via the Town Report and Town website to help educate the public about the law and sorting of compost, recycling and trash. Esther gave the Selectboard a heads up that a new ordinance (SWIP- Solid Waste Implementation Plan) would be coming for approval soon to each board of the 5 Towns served by the Transfer Station.
- Allison reviewed more items for the very last part of the Town's Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP)- the ACTIONS Chart. The Selectboard authorized the BCRC to send the HMP to the state and FEMA for review and to be reviewed by the public. A copy will be posted in the Town Office and on the Town Website. BCRC will provide the Town with links and educational materials related to disaster preparedness.
- Jeff Cleary reported from the RED Board- the school budget avoided the penalty by keeping increase to .1%, but their hands are tied by BBA tuition decisions and the state redistribution of education funds. A survey went out to parents regarding the Arts, offerings at FBS, and some discussion is underway about sharing resources with other schools that offer a different language or musical instrument program.
- The Town has received an amended Lister card on Comfort Forest. The Listers reviewed value in light of development restrictions and the Selectmen will now draft a letter to the Morfits with the new assessment for the parcel.
- Patrick Locky of ANR is putting us in touch with DEC to see if the site could get the proper permits to be improved to be a permanent site for a town shed.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:08 PM

Respectfully submitted, Chrystal Cleary Town Clerk