

**MINUTES - SELECTMEN'S MEETING  
TOWN OF BARNET, VERMONT  
MONDAY, JUNE 27, 2011**

**Meeting convened at 7:00 p.m. in the conference room of the Barnet Town Clerk's Office.**

**Board members present:** Selectmen Theodore Faris and Jeremy Roberts.

**Meeting Chair:** Co-Chair Theodore Faris presiding as Chair for this meeting.

**Others present:** Town Clerk Benjamin Heisholt, Zoning Administrative Officer Shirley Warden, Steve Patterson, and David Warden.

Note: Numbered headings correspond to agenda printed in advance of meeting. Items appear in minutes in order discussed at meeting. Order of discussion is occasionally out of sequence with agenda numbers.

**1. Approve minutes of regular meeting held June 13, 2011**

Motion made by Roberts to approve as presented the minutes of the regular meeting held June 13, 2011. Seconded by Faris and approved by voice vote.

**2. Appearance by Northeastern Vermont Development Association**

Northeastern Vermont Development Association (NVDA) Executive Director Steve Patterson appeared to discuss several matters relating to NVDA's relationship with the Town. Included in this discussion were the following topics: Transportation Advisory Committees, Town Bridge and Culvert Inventory, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) funding for recent flood damages on roads, and economic development planning.

**3. Appearance(s) by other member(s) of the public**

David Warden, President of the Barnet Historical Society (BHS), appeared to request the use of the Town Hall by BHS for a meeting on the evening of August 18, 2011. The meeting will be for approximately one hour, and the expected attendance is between twenty and thirty.

- After brief discussion Board agreed to allow this use of the Town Hall. There is, however, currently no water service in the Town Hall, so BHS will need to coordinate with the library for bathroom use.

**4. Notice regarding delivery of delinquent dog licenses to First Constable**

Briefly reviewed list of dog owners who are currently delinquent in licensing their dogs. This list has been forwarded to the First Constable with instruction to pursue licensure of the dogs thereon.

**5. Correspondence regarding United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Natural Resources Conservation Service Emergency Watershed Protection Program**

Briefly reviewed correspondence from the United States Department of the Army with permit for the proposed streambank modifications on the property of Shannon and Crystal Rice. Roberts also reported on recent activity of this project.

**6. Correspondence from Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District regarding potential e-waste collection sites**

Faris read cover letter and briefly reviewed attached documents relating to legislative mandates effective July 1, 2011 regarding the collection of electronic recyclables. The primary effect of these changes to the Town is that the Town will no longer charge a fee for the collection of most electronic waste.

- After brief discussion, Faris signed the attached "State Standard Plan E-Waste Collector Memorandum of Understanding."

**7. Correspondence from Vermont Department of Taxes regarding Letter of Agreement for Computer Appraisal Services**

Reviewed agreement for license to the Town of Barnet of use of the Marshall and Swift Cost Tables for appraisal of properties in Barnet until June 30, 2012. Amount due for this license is \$231.85.

- After brief discussion, the Board approved and Faris signed this agreement.

**8. Correspondence from Vermont Agency of Transportation regarding 2012 Municipal Park-and-Ride Grant Program**

Reviewed letter soliciting proposals for creation of small park-and-ride facilities.

- No action taken.

**9. Correspondence from Endyne Inc. regarding landfill laboratory report**

Briefly reviewed results of analyses performed for samples collected at site of the former Barnet landfill.

**10. Correspondence from Vermont Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation regarding conservation easement from Calvin and Cherryll Bunnell**

Read letter informing the Selectboard that the Department of Fish and Wildlife has received a conservation easement in the Town of Barnet from Calvin and Cherryll Bunnell.

**11. Other business**

- **Invoice for tree removal relating to moving of Clara Brock Cottage.** Faris spoke regarding an invoice for tree removal. Instructed Treasurer Benjamin Heisholt to pay this invoice and re-bill Clara Brock Cottage owners Richard and Robin Horn.

**12. Uniform Municipal Excess Weight Permits**

Reviewed and approved single vehicle permit for Wayne B. Smith. Reviewed and approved fleet permit for Blue Mountain Trucking & Excavating.

**13. Outstanding check warrants**

Reviewed and signed all outstanding check warrants.

**11. Other business**

- **Appearance by Zoning Administrative Officer Shirley Warden regarding salvage yards.** Warden appeared to discuss her attendance at a seminar relating to changes in State laws, which now require municipal Selectboards to issue "Certificates of Approved Location" for salvage yards located in the Town.
- **Water sample testing at Harvey's Lake.** Faris noted that two water samples were recently taken at each of two locations at Harvey's Lake: at the public beach and at the public boat access. All four tests indicated that there was not significant water contamination.

**14. Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

*A true copy.*

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Town Clerk*