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BOARD OF VILLAGE TRUSTEES

February 10, 2015

**PRESENT: Candace Coburn, Emo Chynoweth, Chris Miller, Eric Nesbitt,
Phil Swanson, Mary Riley, Joe Swanson,
Derrick Demas, Ward Goodenough, Jeffrey Kahn,
Mary MacVey, Sally Miller, David Saladino, Peter Vollers, Grace Wu.**

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ADDITIONS TO AND DELETIONS FROM THE POSTED AGENDA

On a motion of Mr. Miller, second Mr. Chynoweth the Board of Village Trustees voted to add a request for a permit for Use of the Green to the Agenda

III. CITIZEN COMMENTS: none other than agenda items.

IV. REQUESTS FOR PERMITS

A. Reschedule Maple Madness Event for Vermont Open Maple Sugar House Weekend

At the request of Beth Finlayson the Board of Village Trustees voted to allow Use of the Green for Maple Madness Event on Saturday March 28, 2015, rescheduled from March 21, 2015, on a motion of Mr. Miller, second Mr. Nesbitt. Motion approved.

B. Vermont Overland Maple Madness Adventure Ride

Peter Vollers Vermont Overland Event Planner presented the application. The ride will start at Woodstock Sports with a “ride off” onto Central Street. One police officer will be hired to stop traffic while the race leaves the starting point for a very brief period. The McCuaig sugar house will be featured this year.

On a motion of Mr. Miller, second Mr. Chynoweth the Board of Village Trustees voted to approve a permit for Vermont Overland Maple Madness Adventure Ride on Sunday, March 29, 2015. Motion approved.

C. 7th Annual Naked Table Event

Sally Miller presented the application. The seventh annual event will be just as it has been in the past years. It will be held on the Covered Bridge in the afternoon of Sunday, August 16, 2015. The bridge will be closed from 11:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.

On a motion of Mr. Chynoweth, second Mr. Nesbitt, the Board of Village Trustees voted to approve use of the Covered Bridge for the 7th annual Naked Table Event on August 16, 2015. Motion approved.

D. Rotary Interact Club – Use of the Green

Rotary Interact Club of Woodstock Union High School would like to hold an Easter Egg Hunt on the Green on Saturday April 4, 2015. Weather and surface conditions will be taken into consideration before the event. This is in very early stages. Use of the Green is requested from noon to 5:00 P.M. with the event scheduled for 1:00 PM.

On a motion of Mr. Nesbitt, second Mr. Miller, the Board of Village Trustees voted to approve Use of the Green for Rotary Interact Club of Woodstock Union High School. Motion approved.

V. VILLAGE POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

Sgt. Joe Swanson presented the report of the Village Police

Sidewalk shoveling is being monitored, warnings issued and follow up tickets will be written as required.

Winter challenges are being met.

Chief Blish is planning a presentation at the Elementary School relating to school bullying.

Sgt. Swanson announced that the Cops vs. Coaches Hockey game raised a considerable amount of money for Ottawaquechee Community Partnership and the Woodstock Youth Hockey Organizations. The cops finally won the hockey game. It was the third match between the two teams and the first time the Cops were victorious, however the refs have questions about some of the moves on the ice.

VI. VILLAGE MANAGERS REPORT

Financial Report was briefly reviewed

VII. OLD BUSINESS

A. Public Information Meeting – Safe Routes to School - Sidewalk Safety Grant

Rita Seto from Two Rivers Ottawaquechee Regional Commission summarized the project which has been in the planning stages since 2012.

This evening's presentation is for public information.

David Saladino and Grace Wu from Resource Systems Group presented the different considerations.

David Saladino presented the Safe Routes to School and Pedestrian Safety portion of the Project which will focus on the roadway and sidewalks from the intersection of South Street and South Park Street, southward to Vail Field.

There are some options that have to be decided by the Board of Village Trustees.

Grace Wu presented a proposal for sidewalk improvement along School Street to the intersection of Linden Hill, South Street and Prospect Street. There are options for the Board to consider and there were no motions made or votes taken this evening.

B. Archeological Study for Snow Dump Property

The Board received a second proposal to conduct an Archeological Study for the property proposed for relocation of the snow dump. The proposals are close in number and Ms. Seto has had experience with Hartgen Associates, the firm chosen to do environmental study work until this time.

On a motion of Mr. Miller, second Mr. Chynoweth the Board of Village Trustees voted to accept the proposal of Hartgen Archeological Associates, Inc. to conduct the Phase 1B Archeological Field Reconnaissance Survey of the proposed snow dump property. Motion approved.

C. Approve State-Revised Certificate of Highway Mileage

The State of Vermont sent a revised Certificate of Highway Mileage. The original was signed at the last meeting. On a motion of Mr. Nesbitt, second Mr. Chynowe4th the Board of Village Trustees voted to approve the revised Certificate of Highway Mileage prepared by the Vermont Agency of Transportation. Motion approved.

D. Park and Ride

Plans from Pathway Consulting Services were reviewed for the Park and Ride Project. As proposed the project will be over budget considering the grant awarded to the Village. Suggestions were made and discussion of options regarding surface, barriers, and future entrance to the proposed community park were reviewed.

Representatives of Sustainable Woodstock expressed their concern about the project and the location of the community park there in the future.

Mr. Swanson will convey the thoughts of the Board to the Engineer and another site visit will be scheduled for spring, which is a questionable season this year.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Warning for Annual Village Meeting

On a motion of Mr. Nesbitt, second Mr. Miller the Board of Village Trustees voted to sign the Warning for Annual Village Meeting. Motion approved.

B. Contract for Police Services in the Town

Following brief review and discussion the Board of Village Trustees voted to sign the Contract for Police Services in the Town for the coming two fiscal years on a motion of Mr. Nesbitt, second Mr. Miller. Motion approved.

The contract will cover the period of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2017. The Select Board approved and signed the contract at their meeting on January 20, 2015.

C. Village Report – Dedication & Cover

The cover photo, dedication and the dedication photo and other photos to be included in the Village Report were reviewed.

D. Schedule Public Hearing for Zoning Map Change

The Planning Commission is proposing a change to the Zoning District in the area of the Shire Motel and adjacent buildings to Inn District. A Public Hearing must be scheduled for this consideration.

On a motion of Mr. Nesbitt, second Ms. Coburn the Board of Village Trustees voted to schedule the date of March 10, 2015 at 7:00 P.M. for this Public Hearing. Motion approved.

IX. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the Meetings of December 9, 2014, January 13, 2015 and budget workshops of January 19, 22, and 30, 2015 were approved on a motion of Mr. Nesbitt, second Mr. Chynoweth. Motion approved.

X. OTHER BUSINESS

In other Business the Board briefly reviewed the ballot for voting at Annual Village Meeting.

XI. REVIEW EXPENSE WARRANTS

The Board of Village Trustees reviewed and signed expense warrants.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion of Mr. Chynoweth, second Mr. Miller the Board of Village Trustees voted to adjourn their meeting following signing of expense warrants. The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 P.M.