

**TOWN OF WOODSTOCK**

**BOARD OF VILLAGE TRUSTEES**

**SELECT BOARD**

**JOINT MEETING**

**6:30PM**

**February 9, 2016**

**Woodstock Town Hall**

**DRAFT MINUTES**

**DRAFT-Subject to approval**

**PRESENT-** Emo Chynoweth, Jeffrey Kahn, Chris Miller, Ward Goodenough, Grettie Howe, Bob Holt, John Doten, Bruce Gould, Jeffrey Kahn, Phil Swanson, and Lynn Beach

**OTHERS PRESENT-** Thomas Woodhouse, Ann Marie Boyd, Gray Perkins, Michelle Fields, Elizabeth Finlayson, and Macy Lawrence

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30PM.

**II. JOINT MEETING WITH BOARD OF VILLAGE TRUSTEES AND SELECT BOARD**

**A. Seaward Management-Review Performance of Rockefeller Endowment**

Mr. Thomas Woodhouse of Seaward Management greeted the Boards. Mr. Woodhouse distributed a Statement of Investment. He stated the fundamentals of the economy are doing okay and that the US economy continues to grow modestly. He then reviewed the fund performance. The original gift was \$625,000 when established in 1993. Since 1999, funds have been distributed to the Town and Village annually in an amount whose total is greater than the original gift and yet, the current balance of the fund is \$1,511,418 as of December 31, 2015, is much greater than the original gift.

**III. OTHER BUSINESS**

**A. State of Vermont Payment for Increased Local Services**

**Re: Bridge No. 24; Route 106-South Woodstock**

Mr. Swanson reviewed the offer from the State for reimbursement for increased local services due to the reconstruction of Bridge No. 24 on Rt. 106 over Kedron Valley Brook. The State of Vermont has offered to pay Woodstock the sum

of \$13,509.00 as compensation for increased local traffic on Church Hill Road when Bridge No. 24 (located on VT 106 near the Kedron Valley Stables), is closed for 3 weeks.

The formula used to distribute the \$13,509 is as follows:

Road maintenance	\$ 5,657
Law enforcement	5,200
Dust control	<u>2,652</u>

**Total** **\$13,509**

A suggested split between the Town and Village based on percent of road mileage affected, dust, and police services was discussed.

The Boards agreed to divide the funds as follows:

	<u>Town</u>	<u>Village</u>	<u>Total</u>
	3.97 mi 88%	0.52 mi 12%	4.49mi 100%
Dust Control	\$ 2,652	\$ 0	\$ 2,652
Road Maintenance	4,978	679	5,657
Law Enforcement	2,600	2,600	5,200
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,230</b>	<b>3,279</b>	<b>13,509</b>

Mr. Swanson stated there will not be a local detour that has signs directing traffic to it.

The detour for trucks and heavy traffic will be regional and all on state highways.

No action was needed.

**B. Bridge No. 52; Post Office Bridge-**

**1. Agreement**

Mr. Swanson discussed the replacement of the deck of the Post Office Bridge is scheduled (tentatively) for early 2018.

Work will involve removing the existing deck and building a new deck. All existing abutments and superstructure will remain.

Mr. Swanson then discussed the Finance and Maintenance Agreement between the State of Vermont and the Village of Woodstock for the bridge work and the local share of the project which will be 2.5% of the total cost, according to the contract, which will be paid by the Town.

**2. Guard Rail Design**

Mr. Swanson introduced the guard rail options for the Post Office Bridge.

The guard rail used on this bridge must meet strict crash test qualifications. The guard rail that is being proposed for the bridge is the only decorative guard rail that passes the level 3 crash test requirements.

The State Division of Historic Preservation does not like the selected historic guard rail.

The Boards did not approve this design. Mr. Swanson will advise VTrans of this and future options will be presented.

#### **IV. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION** by Mr. Holt to adjourn at 7:13PM.

**SECONDED** by Mr. Doten.

**VOTE** Passes unanimously, 8-0-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Ellen Beach

Margaretta Howe, Chair

Bruce Gould

John Doten

Bob Holt

Emo Chynoweth, Acting Chair

Jeffrey Kahn

Chris Miller

Ward Goodenough