

## Unapproved Minutes April 2,2018 Selectboard Minutes

Present: Select board members Chris Martel, Wayne Hurtubise, Linda Collins, cameraperson Sarah West, Eric Collins, Susan Smolenski, Fiona Lugo, John Engler, Annette Goyne, and Caroline Smith.

Hurtubise made the motion to accept the minutes of the March 19 select board meeting, second by Martel.

Annette Goyne spoke on behalf of the Richford Conservation Commission. She and RHS teacher John Engler proposed a project that would include students and help beautify the town. Students under Engler's direction, would make and decorate approximately 140 birdhouses to be placed around the community. Goyne said there are three parts to the project: beautification of the village, installing pride in the community for the students and providing habitat for birds. Engler said it will also teach students about mass production . The plan has 20 houses at the playground, 20 at the elementary school, 12 at the high school and the rest around the community. The board was in favor of the plan.

Goyne also spoke about possible infestation from the Emerald Ash Borer which has been found in Vermont. She and Debbie Foote will be monitoring this summer. She encouraged people to buy local wood and not import it , which will lessen the chances of infestation. She said Green Up Day will be May 5.

Library Trustees were present to request placing the trustee back on the ballot as was done in the past instead of by board approval. The board will consult with Town Clerk Alan Fletcher to discuss the issue.

Wayne Hurtubise reported that the road crew started using the new mower this week. Chris Martel reported that on Tuesday the rest of the cameras will be installed at the playground and will be online. He also said Camp Hope will be operating again this summer.

Collins reported that John Mercy has given the town an estimate for a new furnace at the library. This would have to be budgeted for next year.

Caroline Smith asked the board to replace the seats in the auditorium because they are uncomfortable. Collins said it was a big expense for seats that are only used for two events, but that the board will look into the cost and maybe replace some. Collins also said she is putting

out a call for donations of chair pad that can be kept in the auditorium for use during longer events such as town meeting and the variety show.

Collins recessed the meeting at 7:45 to enter a liquor control board meeting.

A motion was made by Hurtubise to approve a liquor license for the Crossing, it was seconded by Martel. Martel made a motion to approve a liquor license for Vista Foods, seconded by Hurtubise. Both were approved. The regular meeting reconvened and Hurtubise made a motion to adjourn at 8:10, seconded by Martel.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Collins, Board Chair