

Approved: July 22, 2009

Selectboard Meeting
July 8, 2009
7:00–8:20 p.m.

Present: Paul Saenger, Bob Warren, Karen Shackett, Steve Goodrich, Barb Kivlin,
Amy Douglas
Absent: Marthe Fisher
Guests: Heidi Lanpher

Bob called meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

AGENDA:

Announcements: See agenda hand-out

- (1) Public Concerns:** [Heidi] Heidi came with some questions, comments, clarifications regarding the Festival activities and SB Dinner. Some Festival planners were hoping to purchase dinner food rather than having a pot-luck—after short discussion, Board agreed that pot-luck is part of our traditional food gatherings and this year's dinner would continue in that vein—additionally, there is the matter of budget for the Dinner, balance being \$0. Proceeds from the Festival are for payment of the Fireworks, not for the dinner expense. The next Festival meeting is August 11. There will be a Townwide Yard Sale in conjunction with the Festival, this year.
- (2) Minutes:** Steve MOVED, Karen SECONDED, that the **Minutes of June 24th** be accepted as corrected. *Motion passed.*
- (3) Roads:** [Steve] Richville work, as planned, is completed; Lake Street is next (ditching, grading); current round of mowing is completed; The “No Parking” signs put up on Lake Street a couple of weeks ago have been stolen; signs will not be replaced, illegally parked cars will simply be towed and impounded.
- (4) Buildings:** [Karen] Town Office Committee will be meeting with Platt folks at the Inn soon, to discuss possible plans for a joint building.
- (5) Emergency Management:** (Robin) No report
- (6) Champlain By-Ways**—Town has been approached by Champlain By-Ways Committee to participate in the By-Ways project. Board reviewed wording for such a resolution; substantial wording changes needed to the sample to fit Shoreham; Board decided, tentatively, to become a participant, will review further, discuss desired changes to wording at next meeting, and confirm.
- (7) Torrey Island dogs**—Several complaints received about Torrey Island dogs—Amy will send copies of Town Dog Ordinance and the State Statute to residents having unlicensed animals [see also below, under “Other Business”]
- (8) Selectboard Orders**—reviewed and signed. Work on establishing '09 tax rate will begin at next meeting.

(9) Other Business—

- ***VT Council on Rural Development***—Karen presented a letter from Vt Council on Rural Development, along with some material about what they they help towns to do. In sum: over a 4-month period, CRD helps towns hold public meetings to develop working plans toward town goals. There is no cost to the towns,CRD handles all and provides written results. SB is interested, Karen will pursue.
- ***Out-standing Dog Licenses***—In addition to contacting Torrey Islanders about their unlicensed dogs, Amy has a number of unlicensed dogs (31) whose owners will receive a postcard notice. Failure to comply puts owners at risk for losing their dogs and payment of fines. Most of these dog owners have received several requests to license their pets already; warrants are the next step.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Robin Conway
Minute Taker

Signed: _____
Marthe Fisher, Secretary
Town of Shoreham Selectboard