

Minutes
Board of Supervisors
April 8, 2008

The Board of Supervisors of the Northwest Vermont Solid Waste District held its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, April 8, 2009 at the District Office, 158 Morse Drive in Georgia, VT.

Board Chair Dave Clark called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

Supervisors Present

Jim Lintereur, Bakersfield
Joyce Tuck, Isle la Motte
Dave Jacobs, No. Hero
Bill Cioffi, St. Albans City

Dave Clark, Fletcher
Barry Kade, Montgomery
Jim Tomlinson, Richford
Bill Rowe, So. Hero

Supervisors Absent

Gary Lockerby, Alburgh
Pierre Letourneau, Enosburg
Paul Lambert, Georgia
Dave Supernault, Sheldon

Berkshire, vacant
Fairfield, vacant
Grand Isle, vacant

Others Present

Mike Ewell, Executive Director
Jess Moses, Business Manager

Members of the Public

None

Regular Board Meeting

1. **VOTE:** Minutes Board Meeting of March 4, 2009. **Jim Tomlinson moved and Jim Lintereur seconded approving the minutes as written. The vote was all in favor. The motion is approved.**

The Board moved to the District Annual Meeting.

District Annual Meeting

- A) Nomination and Election of District Officers for coming fiscal year. Bill Cioffi moved and Jim Tomlinson seconded to nominate Dave Clark as Chair. The vote was all in favor.
Jim Lintereur moved and Dave Jacobs seconded to nominate Bill Rowe as Vice Chair. The vote was all in favor.
Bill Rowe moved to nominate Jess Moses as Treasurer. The vote was all in favor.
Jim Tomlinson moved to nominate Mike Ewell as Clerk. The vote was all in favor.
- B) Other business.
None.

The Board returned to the Regular Meeting

2. Old Business.

- a) Director's Report. Mike stated that Swanton did not have enough signatures on petitions so their vote stands. Mike stated that he has a meeting tomorrow with the Town Administrator. Swanton will join the District effective July 1st. There was some discussion about the per capita fee assessed to join the District.

Mike stated that other items will be discussed under other business.

Mike stated that we will be trying a set of forks on the skidsteer, but weights will be needed first. There was some discussion about baling operations.

Mike stated that the attorney has sent a letter to Robitaille.

Mike stated that there have been some developments at the state level and that he has been to 2 meetings in the last week. Mike stated that the Governor has proposed to cut 8 positions of the 14 from the Solid Waste Division. Mike spoke about the details of a memo of understanding to create a Solid Waste Authority Board. Dave Clark advised that the Board should be educated. **Barry Kade moved and Jim Tomlinson seconded that as the process is proceeding at this time, the Director has no authority to support the proposal concerning the creation of a Solid Waste Authority. The vote was all in favor. The motion is approved.**

- b) Committee Reports. All to be discussed under other business.
- c) Financial Report. Jess stated that the Receivables are current with the exception of Robitaille and the Payables are being kept as current as possible.

Dave Clark questioned the KBS amount. Jess stated that there is more information coming from KBS. Bill Cioffi asked about an audit contract and Jess stated that an RFP will be sent out for audit services.

There was some discussion regarding the Montgomery Drop Off. Jess stated that she has not been able to contact the attendants and hasn't received any cash from them since January. Mike stated that he will be visiting the site on Saturday.

Joyce Tuck asked about the line of credit. Jess stated that she will be speaking with Peoples Trust about rolling it and will report at the next meeting.

3. New Business.

- a) **DISCUSSION:** New position (Operations Coordinator) hiring decision. Mike referred members to the written report in their packets. Mike stated that Dave Clark questioned whether or not the District could afford to fill the position. It was discussed by the Finance, Operations and Executive Committee's and they pushed the decision to the full Board. Mike spoke about staffing needs and financial position. He stated that we either need to look for ways to find

money to fill the position or talk about how we are going to handle the things that need to be done with current staffing. There was discussion about the financial details of hiring the new position. Bill Cioffi spoke about where the District will end the year and stated that he would recommend hiring an additional person. Bill Rowe stated that with Swanton joining, we should and must hire for the new position. **Bill Cioffi moved and Bill Rowe seconded to fill the new position.** Dave Clark spoke about each candidate and stated that we still need to find savings in the budget. Dave Clark asked that the Finance Committee look at this.

At 8:41 the Board moved to Executive Session to discuss financial and personnel matters.

At 9:12 the Board return to the regular meeting.

Barry Kade suggested that the motion be amended to state that the new position should be filled with John Leddy as 1st choice and Tom Reynolds as 2nd choice. The vote was all in favor. The motion is approved.

- b) **DISCUSSION:** Town of Swanton vote to rejoin District, possible re-consideration of vote. Discussed under Director's Report.
- c) **DISCUSSION:** District event schedule. Personnel and equipment needs, local commitments. Mike stated that we need to make sure there is staffing from all member communities and Supervisors at the events. Barry Kade suggested a communication to all communities.

4. Other Business.
None.

5. Public Comment.
None.

6. Adjourn. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:24 PM.