

APPROVED MINUTES

**TOWN OF RYEGATE
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SELECT BOARD MINUTES

April 25, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairman Paul Keenan. Members present: Paul Keenan, Andrew Smith, Claudette Sortino. Also present: Richard Fraser, William Hetu, Elizabeth Page, Richard Hodgson, Cheryl Slayton, Nelson Elder.

Minutes of the April 11th and 18th meetings were read and approved on a motion from Andy seconded by Claudette that carried. Under Public Comment Bill Hetu asked for a timely notification of road problems. He would like to have heard sooner about the guardrail situation on the Stone Road. Discussion followed on this matter. Damages can be recovered if there is a police report. Hetu wondered if the April 18th meeting was warned. The Board answered that no action was taken so notice isn't usually required. The Board just gathered information from Shauna.

Treasurer's Report: Jason Sulham has worked for the town for 90 days so he is eligible for health insurance. If he has proof of other health insurance, he can receive a \$75.77 stipend weekly in lieu of town insurance. Various bills were discussed. The new truck is here. The radio will be installed by the new company that replaced Rinkers. The culverts have been ordered and delivered today from Prescott in Barre. Kenworth went to Shelburne. Cracked brake covers have been repaired, with a software update included. A culvert near Walter Bragg needs being extended before the overlay takes place. The old culvert is 5 ½ feet. The new piece is 5 feet. Nelson will check with Shauna to see if that will work. Patrick Ross has been consulted on the Hunt's Mill Bridge. The road crew would like to sell a wooden trailer that is in the shed. They could use the space. The Board approved a selling price of \$200, which following the sale should go into the machine fund. Cody Flood submitted a driveway permit application. Nelson will check the culverts to see if they are the correct length before they are put in. A speed limit sign can be moved if the town ordinance allows it. The State determines the placement of all speed signs. The Bidding and Purchase policy was reviewed. Perhaps item 1-b should go up to \$10,000. The Board needs to go through the warning procedure for a change to be made. Others may need to be changed also. It needs to be posted and go on the agenda to change limits.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM

Richard Fraser, Guest Clerk