

**UNAPPROVED MINUTES**

**TOWN OF RYEGATE  
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**SELECT BOARD MINUTES**

**May 9, 2016**

The Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairman Paul Keenan. Members present: Paul, Andrew Smith, Claudette Sortino. Also present: William Hetu, Richard Fraser, Cheryl Slayton, Elizabeth Page, Jacqueline Sinclair, Regina Hazel, Kara Choate, Alexa Murray, Kelsey Helm, Michael Phelps, Gabriel Shute, John Cesari, Cornelia Cesari, Marsha Nelson.

Minutes of the April 25, 2016 meeting were read and approved on a motion from Andy seconded by Claudette that carried. John and Cornelia Cesari were present to ask about the existence of Town Highway 54 and how far it goes toward the Newbury town line. After much discussion and map studying the Board decided a road trip was in order to view the road with the written information available. Mrs. Cesari believes the State took off the mileage at the wrong end of the road. Their question: Does the road still run to the Newbury boundary? Andy mentioned the doings and proceedings on that road do not mention changing the Newbury end of TH 54.

Two reps from the Ryegate Women’s Club were present to discuss a proposed project to provide three welcome signs to the town. They wondered if the Board was on the same page as they were a year ago. The Board said yes, go ahead and look at signage. The Club wondered if 1) The Board is still interested 2) Will the Town put the signs up? and 3) Will the signs be covered under town insurance? They are hoping to put up double sided signs in South Ryegate, near East Ryegate and in Ryegate Corner. Paul said he is in favor of the signs as long as they meet State Standards. The Board feels the signs would be covered under town insurance as “Property in the Open.” The whole Board is in agreement to have the signs. The reps will now take the information back to their organization to be discussed further. Dick Fraser would like the South Ryegate Village to have some say about location of a welcome sign there.

Treasurer’s Report: The Board viewed bills and signed orders. The wooden trailer in the Road shed has been purchased. The Town received a check from the State regarding Blue Mountain Union School for \$14,790.00 after the final reconciliation. The Board viewed the Road Crew time sheets.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM on a motion from Claudette seconded by Andy that carried.

-----Marsha Nelson, Clerk