

Waterford Board of Selectmen's Meeting  
Monday, January 11, 2016  
Town Clerk's Office

**Attendees:**

Selectmen: Brent Beck, Gary Allard, Fred Saar

Highway: Lisle Houghton

Clerk: Joanne Jurentkuff

Assistant Clerk: Jessie Pelow

Others: Jon and Denise Hindle, Helen Pike, Jen D'Agostino, Sally Ayers, Lois Williams, Janet Bingham, Roberta Smith, Roberta Gillott, Ed Allen, Howard Remick

**OPENING:** Brent opened the meeting at 7:41 p.m. Fred made the motion to approve the December 14, 2015 minutes as presented. Gary seconded the motion. All approved. The selectmen signed the orders for January, and reviewed the budget report to date.

**Citizens Concerns: Letters from Citizens:**

Denise and Jon Hindle who live on Duck Pond Road presented letters which they wrote to the Town about 3 major issues. The issues being closing the pull off near their home, trash pick-up at that pull off location over the bank and reducing the speed limit between Remick road and Route 18. The selectboard heard their concerns and will speak with the sheriff to get more patrol on that section of the road as well as talk to Shawna Clifford about a potential traffic study. The selectboard will go to the ST. Johnsbury selectboard and speak to them about the pull off and the trash pick-up. They will be back in touch with the Hindles.

Waterford History Group: Helen Pike presented a letter to the selectboard (see attached) The letter is asking the town to include in the town plan update that the village of Lower Waterford be designated as a village center. The benefits of doing this are that there may be use of grant money for the village. The selectboard will consider.

Roberta Gillott spoke in concern with the lack of information provided for the upcoming solar projects in Waterford. She believes she was lead to think that the citizens could have no part when in actuality the citizens as well as the town can take part and their voice can be heard. The selectboard discussed that the only solar project in Waterford with any concern would be the one that is potentially going up on Duck Pond Road nearest the Fire Department and that concern being the visibility from the road. Roberta stated that the Selectboard interrupted her and would not let her finish her comments. She stated that she felt the Selectboard was dismissive of her comments and not interested in what she had to say.

**Welcome to Waterford signs update:** Signs have been installed

**Budget price for equipment replacement:** Lisle said budget price for a new grader would be trade in value for the old grader and then between 130-\$150 thousand more.

**Review charge off for trucks:** Nothing at this time. Lisle will report back at next meeting.

**Landowner signoff form:** Lisle presented the selectboard with the current form he has. Gary presented information to be reviewed. No decisions were made and will discuss at next meeting.

**Other:** Lisle would like to have Class III road pavement and new box culvert on River Road as major projects for 2016. He will get back to Joanne soon with his final budget numbers.

Lisle told the Selectmen that when he bought the hay bail mulcher it was at auction, it was \$2,000.00 and something he knew would be utilized.

