## Shaftsbury Select Board January 16, 2017

1. Call to order

The meeting came to order at 6:30 p.m. Present were board members Art Whitman (vice-chair), Tony Krulikowski, and Joe Barber. Board members absent were Tim Scoggins and Ken Harrington. Town Administrator David Kiernan was also present.

- 2. Conflict of interest statement No conflicts of interest were reported.
- 3. Approval of minutes
  - None were available for approval.
- 4. Warrants

Payroll warrant #14, \$26,636.40: Mr. Krulikowski moved to approve the warrant. Mr. Barber seconded the motion, which passed 3-0-0.

Check warrant #33, \$125,754.00. Mr. Krulikowski moved to approve the warrant. Mr. Barber seconded the motion, which passed 3-0-0.

5. Announcements

Mr. Whitman reminded listeners that bid documents for the garage construction can still be picked up at Goldstone, and that a meeting for bidders will be held on January 18, 2018

6. Public comments

Jennie Rozycki, director of the McCullough library in N. Bennington, reported that things are going well. The library has 3088 active patrons, 200 of them new last year. Media items total more than 22,450 for loan, and free access to tens of thousands of E-devices. 17,500 print and digital items were circulated last year, a 25% increase over the preceding year. More than 10,000 visited last year. 3,360 people attended programs. The library hosts four computer terminals and high-speed internet. Friends of the Library donated more than 875 hours, and raised \$14,250. Staff successfully sought grants as well. Lions Club made a sizeable donation to enlarge the large print collection.

Sources of income: a small endowment, municipal donations, annual fund campaign.

7. Treasurer report

Melanie Dexter elaborated upon the materials she shared with board members. The cash flow report noted a quarterly highway state aid payment, the last of the prepaid taxes. There is little activity in the reserve fund, mostly water payments. She said she had contacted the provider of on-line payment services but without success. She will ask other treasurers what is going on and try to find if there is a competitor.

8. Roads Report

Mr. Kiernan reported that the road crew hit 110% of its budget with today's overtime. All the trucks are operational. Green Mountain has been working on trees for the last two or three weeks, taking down about 35 dead trees.

9. FY 2019 budget

The budget is nearly complete, but some fine tuning is still required.

10. Town garage/transfer station

Bid packages are out. All questions must go to Goldstone. Several packages have been taken, including by 7-8 GCs. Everyone who has picked up a bid package must attend the meeting on Thursday January 18, 2018. Bids will be opened on March 5, 2018, after Town meeting. It may be that the town can run a temporary transfer station off-site, a so-called "fast-trashing" option.

11. Cole Hall renovation out to bid An ad will be placed in the Banner by the end of the week announcing bids due February 5. The renovation will consist of new 2x4 partition walls, drop ceilings, lights, and sockets. We don't know what Fire Safety will require.

12. Other Business:

a. Front Porch Forum CA: this agenda item is cancelled.

13. Review of action items

Board members present could be available to meet on Monday January 29 to finalize the Town Meeting warning if that is necessary.

Adjournment Mr. Krulikowski moved to adjourn at 7:02 p.m. Mr. Barber seconded the motion, which passed 3-0-0.