

**Town of Ferrisburgh  
Listers Minutes**

**Date/Time:** Wednesday, September 10, 2014 @ 2:00 p.m.

**Present:** Carl Cole, Ferrisburgh Lister  
John Bull, Ferrisburgh Lister  
Joe Blasius, Ferrisburgh Lister  
Justus J. DeVries, Appraiser for Town of Ferrisburgh  
Teri Gildersleeve, District Advisor for State of Vermont PVR

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- Meeting called to order by Carl Cole at 2:05 p.m.
- Reviewed draft minutes from August 7, 2014 listers meeting. Joe made a motion, seconded by Carl to accept the minutes as written. All were in favor.
- Reviewed all sales for the CLA study with Teri Gildersleeve. The town will have the right to appeal any of the sales data in January 2015.
- The listers signed the revised Form 411.
- Tax Mapping Bids: Justus advised of the 2 RFPs sent out last week; no bids were received. Dean Russell from Russell Graphics responded that he could not bid this year due to his workload, but might be available next year. It was decided to go with the bid from Robert J. Turner Company and Christine Chamberlain for \$4,100 for 2015 (including linking the tax map to the grand list) and on-going maintenance thereafter for \$3,100/year.
- Discussed Stearns' cannon firing situation. Carl said he had heard from a Kimball Dock resident that it had been quiet. Justus advised an estimate for crop insurance was approximately \$201/acre/year. Claims for total loss payment would average \$1,400 to \$1,500/acre. There are approximately 11± acres of sweet corn on the Stearns' farm.
- Long Point Corporation had requested that the listers review the real tax implication of a proposed solar farm on 40-60± acres of corporation land. It is in the very preliminary stages, but the plan was for a long-term lease by a solar company. However, due to the lack of specific lease information at this point, in order to base any decision, the listers tabled the action. Justus will send a follow-up letter to Long Point Corporation.
- Discussed the Zimmerman (Button Bay-Z, LLC property) BCA decision of September 9, 2014 which upheld the listers value of \$980,000.
- Discussed the recent Velco decision of September 9, 2014 which is resulting in Ferrisburgh receiving approximately \$62,000 in back municipal taxes. Velco is recalculating the exact amount owed between 2009 through 2013, and will be sending the package out to Ferrisburgh and the other four towns, along with checks, in a week or so. Justus advised we will need to review the numbers to be sure the correct Common Level of Appraisal is used, as well as the correct tax rates including the local agreement rates.

- The meeting with Pam, Garrit and Gloria was tabled until the next meeting. Justus is doing more research on the matter.
- It was agreed that the listers would purchase a new computer which will be dedicated to solely the listers work and a designated work area to improve efficiency of operations.
- Joe made a motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Carl. All were in favor and so moved.

**Meeting Adjourned:** 4:05 p.m.  
**Respectfully Submitted:** Justus J. DeVries  
**Dated:** September 11, 2014