

**Town of Ferrisburgh  
Vermont Green Line Committee  
ADOPTED Minutes  
July 28, 2016**

The Vermont Green Line Committee (VGL Committee) met at the Town Offices, Ferrisburgh, VT on July 28, 2016 at 4:00 pm.

Committee Members present: Vaughn Collins, Craig Heindel, Keith Wagner, Jim Warden.

Committee Members absent: John Bull.

Other Attendees: Jim Carroll, Esq. (CB&P, town attorney).

4:12 pm: Craig called the meeting to order.

1. Vaughn Collins moved to adopt the minutes of the June 1, 2016 meeting as presented. Jim Warden seconded.  
Vote: 4 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstain.
2. Executive Session Needed: Craig made a motion for the committee to enter into executive session in order to confer with the town attorney Jim Carroll regarding the draft Host Town Agreement (HTA) for the reason that premature general public knowledge would clearly place the committee and Selectboard at a substantial disadvantage. Vaughn seconded.  
Vote: 4 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstain.
3. Enter Executive Session: Craig Heindel made a motion to enter executive session for the purpose of conferring with attorney Carroll regarding the draft Host Town Agreement. Vaughn seconded.  
Vote: 4 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstain.
4. Executive Session: The committee entered executive session at 4:15 pm.

5:15 pm: Vaughn made a motion to come out of executive session. Jim Warden seconded.

Vote: 4 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstain.

No further actions were taken regarding the topics discussed in Executive Session.

5. Public Service Board filing, 45-day notice period: According to the 45-day pre-application notice filed by VGL, the town Selectboard (SB) and Planning Commission (PC) have until Aug. 11, 2016 to file comments about that pre-application. The Committee agreed with Jim Carroll's recommendation that the SB should consider making a filing on or before 8/11, even if a completed and signed HTA is not in place at that time. Jim will check with the Chair of the Ferrisburgh Planning Commission (Bob Beach) soon, to determine if they will be filing anything. Craig reported that he had attended the PC meeting on 7/20/2016 to brief them on VGL's pre-application notice (which had previously been sent to the PC by VGL). PC members asked a few questions. To Craig's knowledge, the PC did not pass a resolution on this topic at this meeting. Jim will contact VGL's attorney, and then the Committee and SB with his suggested follow-up steps regarding filing(s) to the PSB on or before Aug. 11.
6. Town Right-of-Way Utility Permit ("Section 1111 permit"): The Committee agreed that its previous recommendation to the SB that a public hearing for this permit application, when received, should be held after proper warning. Jim Warden and Craig both agreed that the SB also agreed with this concept, as mentioned in previous meetings with the SB.

7. Escrow Agent: Jim Carroll reported that he and the SB have taken care of staying with the current Escrow Agent, Atty Joan Donahue, in the new law firm that she has moved to.
8. Tax Analysis Report, by George Silver & Assocs.: The Committee discussed the Silver & Associates report, and decided that no additional follow-up with them, or regarding their suggestions, is needed at this time.
9. Magnetic Field Report by Exponent (dated 6-08-2016) on behalf of VGL: The Committee discussed this report, and decided that no follow-up regarding this report is needed at this time.
10. Friends of Kingsland Bay Memo (7-20-2016): The Committee discussed this memo which was addressed to Mr. Krapels (VGL Devco, LLC), and copied to us among many other recipients. We assume that the questions raised by this group will be addressed by VGL, and that the interests of the public pertaining to all uses of Kingsland Bay and Kingsland Bay State Park will be adequately protected and taken into consideration in the various permitting processes that will be required before the BGL project can be constructed – such as reviews by the VT Agency of Natural Resources, the Vermont Public Service Board, the US Army Corps of Engineers, and the US Coast Guard. We noted our current understanding that the Town of Ferrisburgh has no direct jurisdiction on the VGL project's potential impacts on Kingsland Bay or its public uses. We decided that no follow-up regarding this memo is needed at this time, other than to offer to Friends of Kingsland Bay, the VT Dept. of Forests, Parks and Recreation, and/or VGL that the meeting hall at the town center could be available for them to hold a public information meeting if they want.

Next Committee Meetings: We tentatively set the following meeting dates/times. One may be cancelled, depending on whether it is needed or not. For both meetings, it is anticipated that the Committee will elect to enter executive session to discuss with counsel the terms of a draft Host Town Agreement concerning the Vermont Green Line project.

- Wed., Aug. 3, 4:00 pm, at town office.
- Mon., Aug. 8, 4:00 pm, at town office.

5:45 pm: Vaughn made motion to adjourn the meeting, Keith seconded.

Vote: 4 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstain.