

Town of Ferrisburgh  
Special Selectboard Meeting  
May 10, 2016

Members present: Loretta Lawrence, Michael Muir, Steve Gutowski, Jim Warden  
Absent: Jim Benoit

Visitors present: Craig Heindel, Bob McNary

1. 5:30 p.m. – call to order
2. VT Green Line committee Craig Heindel gave an update since the last meeting. He said \$40,000 is being held in escrow.
3. On Wednesday there is a tour of the proposed route of the VGL line. It will be open to the public and anyone that would like to attend.
4. A contract is ready to be signed with Civil Engineering Associates (CEA) for engineering services for the town. Fees will be based on an hourly rate not to exceed \$5,000 and paid for from the escrow account. Michael Muir made a motion seconded by Jim Warden to sign the contract. Discussion followed, Bob McNary inquired as to the time limits on the \$40,000. VOTE: 3-infavor, 1-abstention (Gutowski), 1-absent (Benoit)
5. Craig Heindel, and the select board, agreed that some of the \$40,000 will include costs incurred by town Auditor, Ron Smith and Associates. Our auditor has been asked to help the Ferrisburgh Green Line Committee on this project.
6. Craig Heindel said a contract was ready to be signed with George Silver & Associates, real estate appraisers and consultants for a study of the impact on property tax revenue to the town due to the construction the 6.0 mile underground electrical transmission line. They will work with the town and the town's attorney. Bob McNary inquired to the cost of service which was placed at a cap of \$5,000 and also how do they base their figures with underground lines. After a brief explanation Michael Muir made a motion to sign the contract with George Silver & Associates to provide their services not to exceed \$5,000, seconded by Jim Warden. VOTE: 3-in favor, 1-abstention (Gutowski), 1-absent (Benoit)
7. Adjourn: Michael Muir made a motion to close the meeting, seconded by Steve Gutowski. VOTE: 4-in favor, 1-absent (Benoit)

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Warden