

**JOINT LEGISLATIVE BODY MEETING  
TOWN & VILLAGE OF SWANTON  
SWANTON VILLAGE COMPLEX  
120 FIRST STREET, SWANTON, VT**

**REGULAR JLB MEETING  
MONDAY, JULY 8, 2013  
6:30 P.M.**

**PRESENT:** Ronald Kilburn, Village President; Chris Leach, Trustee; Eugene LaBombard, Trustee; Adam Paxman, Trustee; John Lavoie, Selectman; Dick Thompson, Chair & Selectman, Kathy Lavoie, Selectwoman; David Jescavage, Town Administrator; Reg Beliveau, Village Manager; Lynn Paradis, Assistant Village Manager; Joey Stell, Chief of Police; Dianne Day, and Channel 16.

Unless otherwise noted, all motions carried unanimously.

Mr. Thompson, Chairman, welcomed all to the Regular Joint Legislative Body (JLB) Meeting and called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**1. Approve Minutes of 4/22/2013 JLB Meeting:**

Mr. Paxman made the motion to approve and accept the Minutes from 4/22/13 as presented. Mr. Lavoie seconded. Discussion: None. Motion carried.

**2. Discuss Dam Land Transfer (Executive Session – Real Estate):**

Mr. Thompson recommended they move this to last item on agenda.

**3. Discuss 2014 Memorial Day Plans:**

Mr. Paxman stated that each year they have a small ceremony honoring all past, present and future veterans. He said that he spoke with Mr. Clark and they both agreed to put this on the JLB agenda. They would like to organize more than just a ceremony to honor the veterans. Mr. Paxman suggested a parade, getting Cub Scouts and Little League involved as well as the Chamber of Commerce and VFW. Mr. Thompson stated there used to be a roll call of all veterans that served in the Memorial Auditorium. He suggested they find that and maybe restore it. Mr. Paxman suggested they keep this on future agenda's and keep working on it.

**4. Discuss FCC Radio License:**

Mr. Jescavage stated that the Town of Swanton has their radio FCC license through Swanton Village. Mr. Beliveau advised that he looked into this and only found that the Town applied for their FCC license years ago through Swanton Village to make the process smoother. The Town is building a new garage on First Street and will need a license for that location. Ms. Lavoie stated Radio North explained to her that it would be no problem to have an additional base at the new Town garage. Their concern is whether or not the actual base has to be at the office or the garage. Chief Stell advised they can but said they will have to apply independently and an application needs to be made to re-license everything. Mr. Jescavage and Mr. Beliveau stated they would work together to re-license the Town of Swanton with the FCC independently.

**5. Public Comments:**

None.

**6. Any Other Necessary Business:**

Mr. Kilburn stated the 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary program coming up is "Remembering WWII" at the Holy Trinity Episcopal Parish Hall, this Sunday from 2 to 4 p.m. on Grand Avenue. Mr. Thompson stated the committee is doing a great job on everything.

**Any Other Business:** Mr. Leach asked the Board what the status was with the Tri-Town Committee regarding the Arena. Mr. Lavoie stated they attended a meeting a few weeks ago and said it wasn't what

they thought it was going to be. He stated it became very personal and heated and they were very upset. He said they had a meeting a couple nights after that and decided it would be best in Swanton stepped away from the issue. He said the voters said no twice to this issue and they need to respect the voters. Mr. Leach stated that as a taxpayer he appreciated how it was handled.

**Any Other Business:** Mr. Leach asked how the Route 207 expansion was going with Wal-Mart. He asked if this has spurred any other construction projects on a hotel or restaurant. Mr. Thompson stated they could discuss this more in executive session under real estate. Mr. Leach asked if there were any projects the Town and Village should be working on together. He said he was working on replacing the Troops sign in the Village Green with a granite one but a Boy Scout has taken that over for his Eagle Scout project.

**Any Other Business:** Mr. Paxman stated he has been working on a traffic study by the Park and asked if there was a Zoning Ordinance in place about parking on the main street. Mr. Kilburn stated no this has nothing to do with zoning. Mr. Kilburn also stated he was concerned with the basketball hoops being set up on the streets becoming a traffic hazard and a pedestrian hazard. Chief Stell stated this is very common in the Village and in cul de sacs. He said he has spoken with some parents and hopefully this will resolve it. He said this could be considered a disorderly conduct but said most people have been receptive to him. Mr. Thompson stated the Village could adopt an Ordinance stating nothing can be placed in their Right of Ways. Mr. Paxman asked if this was a huge problem needing an ordinance. Chief Stell stated it was not, it was more sporadic. Mr. Leach stated since the Village put up a sign on Gallup Court stating "Children At Play" it has made a huge difference. He said the vehicles traveling on that road have slowed down because of it.

#### **7. Executive Session (if needed):**

Mr. Lavoie made the motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss Real Estate at 7:03 p.m. Mr. Leach seconded.

Mr. Paxman made the motion to exit Executive Session at 7:49 p.m. Mr. Lavoie seconded.

**ACTION TAKEN:** The Board will meet on Tuesday, July 16, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. for a site visit at the VFW parking lot on River Lane.

#### **8. Adjournment:**

Mr. Lavoie made the motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the Joint Legislative Body at 7:53 p.m. Mr. LaBombard seconded. There being no further business at hand, Mr. Thompson, Chairman, adjourned the meeting at 7:53 p.m.

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Cathy Fournier, Town Clerk

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Dianne Day, Village Clerk

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