

MINUTES OF THE SHAFTSBURY SELECT BOARD  
FEBRUARY 9, 2009  
COLE HALL  
SHAFTSBURY, VERMONT

**Board Present:** Bill Pennebaker, Karen Mellinger, Wynn Metcalfe, Cinda Morse

**Board Absent:** Lon McClintock (Chairman)

**Others Present:** Larry Johnson, Mike Gleason (Bennington Banner), Aaron Chrostowsky (Town Administrator), Susan Swasta (Recording Secretary);

**1. Call Meeting to Order:**

Vice Chairman Bill Pennebaker called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

**2. Announcements:**

Mr. Pennebaker announced several meetings that will be taking place this week.

Mr. Pennebaker congratulated the Town Auditors for a beautiful job on the town report.

**3. Conflict of Interest Statement:**

Mr. Pennebaker asked if any Board member has a conflict of interest with any topic on tonight's agenda. None did.

**4. Public Comments:**

Cinda Morse raised a point of order, asking that the Board discuss what happened last week with the town report. Mr. Pennebaker stated that he prefers to have this discussion at the end of the meeting, under "Other Business." Ms. Morse and Wynn Metcalfe said they prefer to have the discussion now. Mr. Pennebaker said that this would require a motion to revise the meeting agenda.

**Ms. Morse made motion to revise the agenda to permit discussion of the town report now. Mr. Metcalfe seconded.**

Ms. Morse stated that this is an important issue on how the Board does business. Karen Mellinger said she sees no reason not to follow the agenda and hold the discussion at the end. Mr. Metcalfe said that he will leave if they do not deal with it up front.

**Motion to revise the agenda tied 2-2, failing to pass. (Ms. Morse, Mr. Metcalfe for, Ms. Mellinger, Mr. Pennebaker opposed)**

Ms. Morse stated that she will put the topic on next week's agenda. She and Mr. Metcalfe then left the meeting.

Lacking a quorum, Mr. Pennebaker ended the meeting at 7:05 PM.