

**MINUTES OF THE SHAFTSBURY SELECT BOARD
MARCH 3, 2008
COLE HALL
SHAFTSBURY, VERMONT**

Board Present: **Wynn Metcalfe, Cinda Morse, Karen Mellinger, Bill Pennebaker, Lon McClintock**
Others Present: **Aaron Chrostowsky (Town Administrator)**

1. Call Meeting to Order:

Chairman Wynn Metcalfe called the special meeting of the Shaftsbury Selectboard to order at 6:12 PM. He asked if any Board member needed to recuse himself or herself from discussion of any topic on tonight's agenda. None did.

2. Warrants:

The following warrants were presented for approval:

Warrant #39:	\$ 144,792 (Shaftsbury School District Taxes)
Payroll Warrant #39:	\$ 11,794.60

Lon McClintock made motion to pay warrants. Ms. Morse seconded. Motion carried 5-0-0.

3. Public Comments:

There were no public comments.

4. Marsh Engineering Services:

Bill Pennebaker made motion to approve Marsh Engineering Services – Landfill Gas Venting Proposal dated February 22nd, 2008. Ms. Morse seconded. Motion carried 5-0-0.

5. Other Business:

A. Release of Town's Glebe Rights:

Mr. Chrostowsky explained that the Town is in receipt of \$200 from Mr. Gessner to cover our legal costs.

Ms. Morse made motion to sign the Quit Claim Deed and Vermont Property Tax Transfer Return to release the Town's interest in Glebe land to Gessner. McClintock seconded. Motion carried 5-0-0.

B. Large High Definition Flat Panel Television for Fire Station

Mr. Metcalfe met with Joe Vadakin, Fire Chief on Thursday February 28th, 2008 to discuss this purchase of the large high definition flat panel television for Fire Station. He explained the TV would be used for training purposes, a cabinet will be built to protect and secure the television.

Also, Ms. Mellinger expressed concern over the Fire Chief's unease over the lack of communication during the budget process. The Fire Chief felt the Selectboard should have asked him, where to cut the department's budget, if needed. Mr. Metcalfe explained once, the Fire Chief understood the department's bottom line is all the board is concerned about at the end of the fiscal year, he relaxed.

Ms. Morse made motion to approve the Shaftsbury Fire Company's request for reimbursement of the Large High Definition Flat Panel Television for Fire Station. Ms. McCLintock seconded. Motion carried 5-0-0.

C. Budget Status

Ms. Morse expressed some concern over winter budget overages such as the highway department overtime and sand/ salt budgets. She recommended that we cutback the highway department overtime until the end of the fiscal year.

The board agreed that this discussion should be followed up at next weeks meeting.

Also, the board agreed that notice should be given to residents that we are cutting back on winter maintenance due to several overages in the overtime and sand/salt budgets.

The meeting adjourned at 6:30 PM.

**Respectfully Submitted,
Aaron Chrostowsky**