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**Wednesday, September 16, 2015 at**

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# Selectboard Meeting Minutes

August 17, 2015

UNAPPROVED

The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm. Present: Robert Allen, Gordy Eastman, Jim Peplau, Calista Brennan, Glen Towne, Dan Potter, Cindy Ingersoll and Steve Ellis. Robert started the meeting asking if there were changes to the agenda. There were no changes. Minutes of the July 20th Selectmen's meeting were approved as printed. **Treasurer's Report:** As of 7/31/15, Expenses were \$84,352.28; Revenue was \$55,836.11. Balance in LSB \$363,356.25. Delinquent taxes for 2011-14 are \$66,767.19. Calista reported that she had set up a sweep account with Lake Sunapee Bank so that all funds are insured. There are 3 properties scheduled for tax sale on October 12<sup>th</sup> before the Selectmen's meeting. Jim moved to approve and Gordy seconded. Report is accepted.

## Action Items:

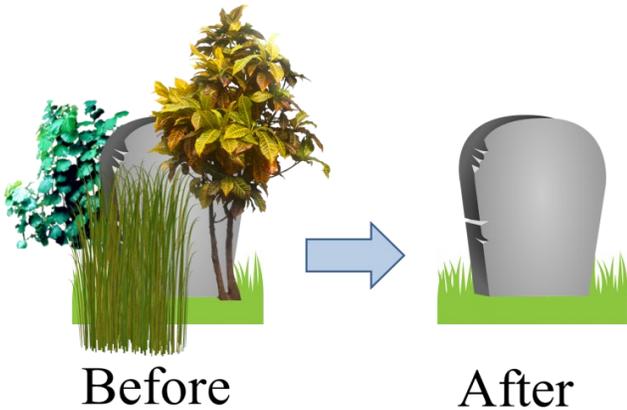
- A) All Hazard Mitigation Plan Update:** Cindy Ingersoll was here from SWCRPC to go over the changes and answer questions requested from the State after submitting the first draft. Robert asked if there should be mention of the closeness of some buildings in the village's pertaining to fire. Cindy will work on changes pertaining to fire issues. Steve Ellis brought up the erosion from Irene along Tyson Road and wondered if anyone had looked at it. Cindy stated that issue is included in the plan. Her changes were approved and will be made so that the plan can be re-submitted to the State.
- B) Mill Brook Watershed/High Meadows Fund:** Dan Potter from SWCRPC was here to talk about a grant that has funded some work to start on the Mill Brook. This involves Reading, West Windsor and Windsor. The funds will be split between the 3 towns to start. Dan was looking for the Selectboard to help prioritize the projects to be done. Dan will provide a large scale map so that the locations can be clearly identified. The Selectboard will go over the project list at that time.
- C) EC Fiber Update:** Steve Ellis reported that the Vermont Legislature had formed the East Central Vermont Telecommunications District, which involves the Towns currently under the EC Fiber network. This will allow the group to qualify to receive more funding. Steve mentioned that the installation of the Fiber Optic line between Reading and Woodstock is behind schedule. Steve requested that the Selectboard authorize the Town Clerk to sign a resolution where he and Carol Boerner (alternate) would be the representatives from Reading. Jim made a motion to adopt the resolution, Gordy seconded, the resolution was signed.
- D) Highways:** Glen stated that he had looked at Brown Schoolhouse water trough from the request of Linda Farnsworth at the last meeting, and that there is nothing that the Town can do about it. He indicated it appeared that the trough had either sunk or that her lawn had been built up over the years. This is a landowner issue not the Towns. Road side mowing is complete. They are starting to replace culverts. The culvert on Whitmore Circle has been cleaned out and so far it is ok. Haven't heard from the State regarding the bridges. Looks like the price of salt is on the increase again this year.
- E) Employee Job Descriptions:** Job descriptions for Road Foreman and Laborer, Truck Driver and Equipment Operator have been updated. The Selectmen voted to adopt them.
- F) Karl Hansen/Dog Park:** Karl did not come to the meeting again. The Selectboard agreed that this issue is dead.
- G) Other:** Being no other business the meeting was adjourned at 7:50PM.

Next Selectboard meeting will be on Monday, September 14, 2015 at 6:00 pm

Respectfully Submitted, Calista N Brennan

# Swain Cemetery Clean-up Day

## Saturday September 26<sup>th</sup>, 9 am - Noon



One of our town's small cemeteries needs your help! Reading's Cemetery Commission is organizing a work day in Swain Cemetery on Saturday September 26<sup>th</sup> to cut back the brush and small trees that have started to take hold and prevent regular maintenance by mowers. An active burial ground from 1825 to 1878, Swain is rich in history and worth preserving. What can you do? Simply arm yourself with a sturdy pair of gloves (and pruning shears, rake, or string trimmer if you have them) and show up! A group will be leaving from behind the Reading Town Hall at 8:45 am, or you can meet us up at the cemetery anytime that morning. Hope to see you there.

Directions to Swain Cemetery: West on Tyson Road to the Stone Schoolhouse; take right on Bartley Road; at intersection with North Puckerbrush Road go straight onto Brown Schoolhouse Road. Cemetery is 2/10 of a mile beyond the original brown school house on left behind the camps.

Surdine P. Sherwin will be forever grateful for your help. He was the first person to be buried there; 15 August 1825 age 3, son of Isaac & Mahitable Sherwin.

back to  
School



## Reading Elementary School

**The Reading Elementary School is back in session!  
Students are walking to school and being dropped off  
between 7:15 a.m. and 7:40 a.m. Students will be leaving  
school at 2:40 p.m.**

**Please help protect our  
“Pathfinders”  
“Rainbow Chasers”  
“Trailblazers”  
“Stargazers” and  
“Explorers”**



***Save the date:***

***October 24, 2015***



***for an evening of dining and dancing.  
Don't miss out on this long time Reading tradition***

***“The Old Time Ball”***

***sponsored by the Reading Fire Department Auxiliary  
Dinner Settings at 6:00 & 7:30 P.M.***

***Dancing to the music of the Reverbs from 8—11 P.M.***

***More details to follow in the October Informer.***

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## 2015-2016 CALENDAR

AUGUST (4)					SEPTEMBER (21)					OCTOBER (21)					
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MAY (21)					JUNE (10)					* = End of Marking Period					
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30	31														
<b>Aug.</b>	24, 25- In-Service Days (No classes for students) 26- First day of school for students				<b>Jan.</b>	18- MLK Day/ In-Service day (No classes for students)									
<b>Sept.</b>	7- Labor Day (School Closed)				<b>Feb.</b>	15-19 Winter Break (School Closed) 29- In-Service Day (No classes for Students)									
<b>Oct.</b>	12- In-Service Day (No classes for students)				<b>March</b>	1- Town Meeting Day (School Closed)									
<b>Nov.</b>	11- Veteran's Day (School Closed) 25,26,27- Thanksgiving Break (School Closed)				<b>April</b>	11-15 - Spring Break (School Closed)									
<b>Dec.</b>	21- Jan 1- Holiday Break (School Closed)				<b>May</b>	30- Memorial Day Holiday (School Closed)									
					<b>June</b>	14 - Last day of School (with 5 snow days included)									

Approved by WCSU Board: March 9, 2015

**Volunteer Wanted.....**

The Town of Reading is looking for a volunteer to serve on the Southern Windsor County Regional Planning Commission board of directors. Board meetings are held at the RPC offices in Ascutney, on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 12:00 noon (lunch is provided) done by 2 pm.

Contact Calista at the Town Clerk's office 484-7250, if you are interested in learning more about this position.

**Volunteer Wanted.....**

The Planning Commission is looking for a new member and anyone interested should contact Steve Strait at [strait.stephen@gmail.com](mailto:strait.stephen@gmail.com).

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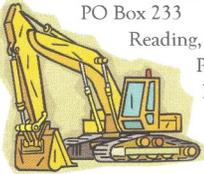
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Please contact Calista at the Town Clerk's office to get this set up.

Municipal Tax Bills have been mailed out from the Town Treasurer. Payment is due on Wednesday, November 4th, by 5 p.m. that day. Post marks are NOT accepted. If you have not received your tax bill, please contact the town treasurer's office at 484-7250. Some have been returned due to incorrect mailing addresses.



**South Reading Thrift Store**  
3456 Tyson Road S. Reading  
***Free Clothing***

The Thrift Store is opening their doors for extra hours so that **ANYONE** can come and get free clothing. **Thursday, September 3rd**, they will be open from 4—8 pm. They have a great problem to solve—too many items to keep. Some of these items are brand name, brand new; still have the sales tag on them and some are gently used. There are jeans, shorts, tops, sweaters, children's clothes (many brand new), baby clothes, summer outfits, linens, women's business suits; you name it, it's there!

Bring really big bags and load them up.

Donations to the Food Shelf always welcome! A \$6.00 donation will purchase \$30 of food for the food shelf.

## Meeting Schedule

### Board of Selectmen

Second Monday  
6:00 PM at Town Office

### Elementary School Board

Third Wednesday  
6:00 PM at Reading School

### Planning Commission/ZBA

First Monday  
7:00 PM at Town Office

### Fire Dept Auxiliary

First Monday  
7:00 PM at Fire Station

### P.T.O.

Third Monday  
6:30 PM at Reading School

### R.A.T.S

2nd Wednesday  
7:00 PM at Fire Station

### Library Trustees

Last Tuesday  
6:00 PM at Library

### Fire Department

First Tuesday  
7:00 PM at Fire Station

### Reading Rescue

First Tuesday  
7:00 PM at Fire Station

### Little Ascutney

**Snowmobile Club**  
Second Thursday at 7PM  
Sept - April, at Fire Station

### EC Fiber

Second Tuesday at 7pm  
Oaks Hall 1st floor of Law  
School  
In S. Royalton, VT

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*State Police 457-1416*

**Town Clerk/Treasure Office**  
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9:00 to 12:00

**Lobby**  
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Saturday  
8am to 12pm

**Library**  
484-5588  
Tuesday 12:00 to 3:30, 4:00 to 7:00  
Thursday 10:00 to 1:30, 2:00 to 5:00  
Saturday 10:00 to 2:00

**Listers**  
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Email: [rtownhall\\_464@comcast.net](mailto:rtownhall_464@comcast.net)

**Reading Elementary School**  
484-7230  
**Fire Warden - Fire Burning Permits**

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**11th Annual Reading Community Calendar**  
**Sponsored by the Reading Fire & Rescue Department.**

This year's calendar will include a photo of the top readers from the read-a-thon at Reading Elementary School, who received the prize of a ride to school in the fire truck. This calendar is personalized with the dates that you request for birthdays, anniversaries, or in memory of someone. We also include meeting dates and dates of annual town events. The calendar is also an opportunity for local businesses to advertise.

If you would like to order your calendar for 2016 please fill out this form and return it along with your check payable to **Reading Fire Department** to:

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Reading, VT 05062



**PLEASE RETURN NO LATER THAN: September 15, 2015**  
**Your payment must accompany your order form.**

The calendars cost \$6.50; this includes 4 dates on the calendar for each calendar purchase. Each additional date is .50 cents.

Please indicate if the date is a birthday, anniversary, or in memory.

Please print clearly and check your dates:

***Example: 1-12 John Doe Birthday***

Your name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Your phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Date #1:

Date #2:

Date #3:

Date#4:

Extra dates may be included on a separate sheet of paper.

If you have questions please call 484-3213 or e-mail me at [c2nk8allen@gmail.com](mailto:c2nk8allen@gmail.com)

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<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> <i>Planning</i> <i>Commission</i> <i>Mtg. 7 pm</i>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> <i>Selectmen 6</i> <i>pm.</i> <i>Fire Auxiliary 7pm.</i>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> <i>RES</i> <i>School Board</i> <i>6pm</i>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> <i>PTO 6:30 pm</i> <i>@RES</i>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> <i>Swain</i> <i>Cemetery</i> <i>Clean Up</i>
<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> <i>Library Mtg.</i> <i>6 pm</i>	<b>30</b>			