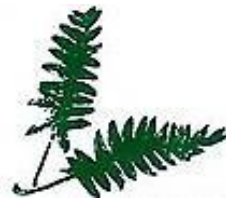


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## Organizational Meeting of the Dorset Select Board March 11<sup>th</sup> 2013 ~ Minutes

**Members Present:** Chris Brooks, Marge Freed, Michael Connors, and Michael Oltedal (via phone)

**Members Absent:** Steve Jones

**Others Present:** Rob Gaiotti, Town Manager

Rob Gaiotti called the meeting to order at 8:14 a.m.

First order of business is to elect 2013 officers for the Dorset Select Board.

Marge Freed made a motion to elect Chris Brooks as Chairman of the Dorset Select Board, motion seconded by Mike Connors, motion carried (3-0 with C. Brooks abstaining).

Mike Connors made a motion to elect Marge Freed as Vice Chairwoman of the Dorset Select Board, motion seconded by Mike Oltedal, motion carried (3-0 with M. Freed abstaining).

Other Business:

Discussion ensued about the status of recent burglaries in the neighboring towns and what the effect in Dorset has been. R. Gaiotti updated board members about a working meeting that M. Oltedal had conducted with Ed Dublois, a local security & law enforcement professional. Discussion ensued about the installation of a security system for the Town Office & Town Garage properties.

A discussion ensued about reflections of the 2013 Town Meeting. M. Connors noted that he felt the Dorset taxpayers should have a discussion about the process for appropriating funds to non-profit organizations. M. Connors was concerned that the economy is still tough and that any spending of taxpayer funds needs to be scrutinized. C. Brooks requested that R. Gaiotti research the requirements for voter appropriations for non-profits (ie what is required by law, and what practices some other towns use). Discussion ensued about the creation of a "non-profit appropriation fund" that would be used for voter approved non-profits that would keep spending under certain guidelines.

There being no further business to discuss the meeting stood adjourned at 8:42am.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Rob Gaiotti, Town Manager