

**Town of Tinmouth  
Select Board  
October 26, 2017  
Special Meeting  
Minutes**

Members present: Cathy Reynolds, Matt Patry, and Frank Sears

Others present: Eric Buffum-Road Commissioner, Stan Wilbur, Doug Fontein, Pat Psholka, Chuck Bronk, Tracy Byford, Grant Reynolds, Jo Reynolds, David Birdsall, Helen Mango, Joe Frankiewicz, Kim Harbaugh, Sherry Johnson, Sunny Hance and daughter Samantha, and Gail Fallar-Board Assistant

Frank called the meeting to order at 7:07. He thanked everyone for coming, explained that the Select Board has been working on upgrading highway and transfer station issues for quite some time and would like input on moving forward.

Maps indicating Options B and C were distributed, discussion of pros and cons of each were discussed. Issues concerned neighbors interests, separating transfer station and highway functions, complying with state rules/laws, what requirements must be met regarding transfer station functions (locked gate or locked compactors), composting requirements, salt shed needs (current is too small to hold more than one storm's worth), covering the sand pile, sizing the garage correctly, whether the projects could be phased or should be done all at once, etc.

Stan inquired whether there could be an Option D – finding a different site entirely for the town garage functions, suggesting a flat spot on the East Road or north of the town center on Route 140. Based on a straw poll, the Board decided to inquire via *Tales of Tinmouth* and Front Porch Forum to see if there was any interest.

Next steps – the Select Board needs to pick an option, finalize the Master Plan, and move forward with engineering and architectural design bids. In the end, voters will be presented with a bond vote to decide whether to borrow the money to complete the projects.

Matt thanked everyone for their input, noting that the Board is trying to find the balance that is right for the town and best for the long term.

After a brief break for refreshments, Gail advised the Board that Grant had provided an option regarding the affordable housing question on Sugar House Lane, but she felt legal advice was needed. Board concurred, having voted for that at its last meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:43 pm.  
Respectfully submitted,

Gail Fallar, Board Assistant  
Select Board Assistant