

WEST WINDSOR SELECTBOARD

Draft Minutes
March 31, 2014

Present: Glenn Seward, Tom Kenyon, Bruce Boedtke, Barbara Truex, Ted Siegler, Martha Harrison

- 1) Call to Order – Selectboard Chair Glenn Seward called the meeting to order at the Mary Blood Library at 8:30 AM.
- 2) Executive Session: contract discussion – After the Selectboard agreed not to go into Executive Session as planned, Glenn indicated that a discussion about the future of the resort, tentatively scheduled for mid-April, is not going to happen. Glenn said the current owner of the resort, MFW Associates, is in liquidation mode and is actively marketing the property. Glenn said he and Martha recently met with a representative of the resort and representatives from the Trust for Public Land (TPL) to discuss whether TPL might be able to put together the funding to acquire the land in order to protect the trail system. Glenn said MFW offered Mile Long Field and the Cunningham Building if the town approves the sale within 6-9 months and a somewhat longer time frame for the acquisition of the land south of Ski Tow Road (i.e. the former ski slopes) if the town is interested. Glenn said he is trying to set up a meeting with TPL and the Upper Valley Land Trust to consider the options. Glenn reported that Orange Lake remains reluctant to participate in any kind of recreational resurrection at the resort. Glenn also reported that the owner of the resort is considering harvesting the timber from the property as well as removing the lifts and all other equipment. Those present discussed various options for the use of the property if TPL is able to put together a funding package for the acquisition. All agreed that an appraisal would be needed before any action could be taken. Ted agreed to call Jay Maciejowski to see if the VT Department of Forests, Parks & Recreation has any interest in the property.
- 3) Adjourn – **Tom moved to adjourn at 9:40 AM. Glenn seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted,

Martha Harrison