

Emergency Meeting of the Waterbury Select Board and Village Trustees
Monday August 29
Thatcher Brook Primary School

Present: Rebecca Ellis, Chair; John Grenier, Bob Butler, Karen Miller and Pam Clapp, Select Board Members; Natalie Howell-Sherman and Lawrence Sayah, Trustees; Joby Feccia, Police Chief; Gary Dillon, Fire Chief; Chris Preston, Waterbury Record; Jenna Pizzi, Times Argus; Don Schneider, Principal TBPS; Representative Tom Stevens; MK Monley and Barbara Tomasi- Gay, TBPS; Victoria Rickert; LeeAnne Viens; Bill Shepeluk, Municipal Manager; Alec Tuscany, Public Works Director; and Carla Lawrence, Town Clerk.

The meeting was called to order at 3:40p.m.

W. Shepeluk gave a flood status briefing to the Boards. TBPS will be the temporary office of the Town and Village of Waterbury for the near future due to significant flooding issues in the Village on August 28th and 29th. TBPS is also being used as a temporary shelter for people evacuated from their home as well as a temporary food shelf. G. Dillon gave a briefing on the evacuation process and explained the impact of the flood on the fire station. GMP is working through the process to get power turned back on, and there is a concern that some fires might be generated.

A. Tuscany described issues with downed trees which have been resolved, damage to Sweet Road, damage to Winooski Street and the substation, and Union Street. Randall Street and Elm Street were two streets most hit by the flood. He described the status of the Water Treatment facility and damage to residential water lines. He gave a status of the Waste Water Treatment Plant. The Municipality will be working with FEMA to get reimbursement on the repairs.

W. Shepeluk explained the damage to the Municipal building. The building shifted in the area of the Police Department and vault. J. Feccia explained the work of the Village Police during the emergency in advising residents to evacuate. G. Dillon explained the evacuation of some people housed at the Vermont State Hospital.

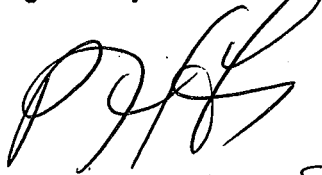
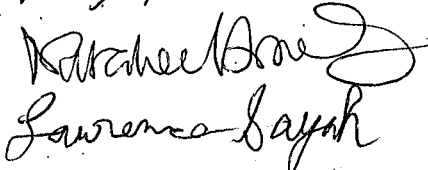
Assistance by FEMA to individuals is still trying to be determined. People are looking for longer term temporary shelter. More discussion was held with regard to how to help people in the near future with assistance and information.

Help is needed coordinating the volunteer effort as well as disseminating information. S. Lotspeich will coordinate this effort. Discussion was held about holding a community meeting on Tuesday August 30th through Friday September 2nd in the upper parking lot of TBPS. Flyers will be handed out to affected areas this evening. Dumpsters are being ordered from Casella and Myers to be distributed to affected areas.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:50p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carla Lawrence, Town Clerk

Approved Oct. 26, 2011