



Selectmen Meeting 5/14/2019
Approved Minutes

Present: Selectmen Louise Lavoie, Charles Moser, Pete McGinnity; Kathy Wile; members of the public.

Called to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:31 PM by Chair Louise Lavoie.

Approvals:

- Noted that the payroll manifests and accounts payable manifest had been signed.
- Minutes of April 23, 2019 were reviewed. Motion by Pete, second from Charlie, to accept the minutes as written. Three votes to accept the minutes of 4/23/2019 as written.
- Appointment papers for one member to the Forestry Committee signed by all selectmen. There was brief review of terms of appointment for all members of that committee.
- A report of timber cut for timber year 2018 had been received, and timber tax warrant generated by the assessor. There was a report from the town forester, who amended the ratings offered by the landowner. These were both reviewed and warrant signed by all selectmen.
- Request for Trustees of Trust Funds to transfer funds from the Fire Station Capital Reserve Fund to the General Fund to reimburse for construction invoices for the fire station addition. Signed by all selectmen.
- Warrant for bill 1 of 2019 property taxes read and signed by all selectmen.

New Business:

Building Inspector Jake Olson and property owner of J-76-2 were there to discuss concerns BOS had over the development of the property. Change of current use status for part of the parcel, possible commercial use of the property, and disconnect between building permit issued and what was being constructed were among the items discussed. He was advised to review zoning and building regulations, and to begin the permit process over again.

- A second property owner did not attend, but the building inspector said he had been asked to issue a permit for a new house while the owners lived in the existing house, and he was hesitant to do that. Selectmen said there is no allowing a second residence to be constructed on a property, the original structure would need to be demolished before the permit for the second house could be issued.
- Extension of the warranty for the backhoe was next on the agenda. Reviewed the 2 warranty options, decision to Table the conversation until the next staff meeting with the Road Agent to discuss his recommendation and input on where it would fit within his budget.
- Flag Pole replacement options – two quotes for replacements were discussed. Both quotes reviewed, asked what Wally preferred. Decision made to go with the quote that included installation, and split the cost not covered by the insurance payment between Town Commons, Patriotic Purposes and Buildings and Grounds line items.

Old Business:

- The Mason Energy Commission had prepared materials requested by BOS pertaining to acceptance of a donation and its intended purpose. Charlie motioned to accept, second from Pete, 3 votes to accept the cash donations for the purpose of municipal membership to Clean Energy NH.
- Bob Dillberger and Bob Larochelle from Conservation Commission had some questions for BOS regarding potential Conservation Easement for Lots B-4-2 and abutting Lot B-3. CC is writing grants for the purchase of B-4-2, and hoping to have the proposed easement cover town owned B-3 as well. Discussion centered on the need to get town meeting approval for BOS to transfer use or ownership of any property owned by the Town. CC decided that town meeting would be too late for the grant rounds they are working on, so they will proceed with getting that easement only as a possibility, subject to town meeting vote. It was mentioned that the road markers for B-4-2, which had been in place, were both gone, and the need for survey.
Choice of Piscataquog Land Conservancy to hold the easement was discussed next. They are very interested in the area and this property, work out of New Boston, have a large volunteer force to help with monitoring, and can help CC get through the grant process to purchase property and get easement established. Town, LCHIP and PLC would jointly hold interest in the property. BOS asked that CC let them know what PLC would need from them.
Final topic was whether CC needed to consult with Town Counsel as suggested by LCHIP for a matter relating to the land purchase. Selectmen agreed with advice received from NH Municipal Association; CC will not consult the town's attorney.
- Bob Larochelle brought the unofficial survey map of G-61. Discussion centered around the second tract of land in the deed. Discussion concluded that both tracts are part of G-61, acreage and map to be updated. Survey will be updated, mylar created and filed with HCRD. Cost of \$225 to complete the project to come from general fund, Louise will talk with Brenda about the account to be used.
- Valentine property gifts was next topic. Both deeds have been signed by Mr Valentine and returned to Atty Quinn, who had requested that Louise, as Chair, be authorized to sign settlement papers on behalf of the Town. Charlie motioned, that the board vote to authorize Louise Lavoie to act as agent of the Board for the purpose of taking action regarding the closing on the transfer of Lots E-10 and E-18 to the Town. Second from Pete, three votes to authorize Louise to act as agent of the Board. Certificate of Action Taken signed by AA Kathy Wile, witnessed by Dorothy Millbrandt.
Regarding settlement fee for the closing – fee of \$3144.00 to come from Conservation, half of which Forestry will repay pending 2020 Town Meeting authorization.
- Update on Valley Rd complaint – Planning Board minutes of October 2000 reference specific hours of operation as set by ZBA. Louise will continue to research ZBA files to find that decision.
- Update on Town Hall – Pete reported having met with the Temple Town Hall group, who were helpful in offering information on their process and experience with their contractor. First two things to do are to get a committee together, especially someone to head that effort, and also to contact Wellar & Michal to find out about their interest in providing, and cost to get a scope of work from them which can be brought to contractors

for bidding. Barbara Devore will try to get something in the Ledger about the committee, which can also be used on the town website.

- Update on Sunny Valley Schoolhouse – is officially listed on NH Registry of Historic Places. Moose Plate grant in process, several letters of support from different groups/individuals within the community have been solicited some of which have been returned already. Grant out by end of the month, should hear over the summer, funds available after Sept 1.

Informational Items/Communication:

- Anthem is offering a vision coverage program to employees already covered by health insurance through HealthTrust. It could be employee paid or employer paid; selectmen asked Kathy to explore it as an employee paid option.
- DRA had issued the Total Equalized Value for the Town, for borrowing purposes. No action needed.
- Eversource has sent out letters to property abutters regarding their transmission line work, which has already begun.

Public Forum:

- It was mentioned that the traffic counter on Hurricane Hill Rd has sunk below the surface of the road, concern over accuracy of count. Kathy asked to follow up with NRPC.

Non-Public:

- Motion to enter non-public session under RSA 91-A:3, II(a) made by charlie, second by Louise. Roll call vote to enter non-public unanimous, at 9:43 PM.
- Motion to leave non-public from Louise, second from Charlie, at 10:35 PM. 3 votes to return to public session. Roll call vote to seal the minutes of the non-public session unanimous.

Adjourned:

There being no further business, Charlie motioned to adjourn, second from Pete. Three votes to adjourn the meeting at 10:38 PM.

Next regularly scheduled meeting will be Tuesday May 28, 2019 at the Mann House at 7:30 PM. There will be a work meeting with the Road Agent on Monday, May 20, 2019 at 4:00 PM at the Mann House.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kathy Wile
Administrative Assistant