

**Selectmen's Meeting**  
**Monday, November 30, 2015**

Chairman Morgan called the meeting to order at 4:15 PM. Present were Selectmen Richard Morgan, Robert Freeman, and Franklin Riley, and Ellen White, Town Administrator, who recorded the minutes.

Morgan opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Morgan made a motion to approve the minutes from the Selectmen's Meeting held on 11/23/2015. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

Riley made a motion to approve the minutes from the Selectmen's Department Head Meeting & Workshop held on 11/23/2015. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Payroll Voucher was submitted for the week ending 11/28/2015 in the amount of \$35,854.75. Morgan made a motion to approve and sign the voucher. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Accounts Payable Voucher was submitted for the week ending 11/21/2015 in the amount of \$54,484.74. Morgan made a motion to approve and sign the voucher. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Highway Department Work Log was received for the week ending 11/28/2015.

The Board received a Legal Notice from the Town of Middleton's Planning Board regarding a Site Plan Review for a Special Use Permit to construct a cell tower on Ridge Road, Map 12, Lot 24-2 in the Town of Middleton.

A letter addressed to the Planning Board in response to their requests to look into the change in use of the businesses located at 1845 and 2330 Route 16 was presented for signatures. Morgan made a motion to sign the letter. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Board received a memo from Susan Simpson recommending the dedication of the gymnasium or skating rink in memory of Bub Avery. The Board was thankful for the recommendations and will keep the locations in consideration.

A Request for an Abatement was received for the property owned by Gary Mooers located on Map 248, Lot 37. The abatement is for a refund in the amount of \$250.00 for a Veteran's Credit which should have been applied to the property's first half tax bill. Morgan made a motion to grant the abatement. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

A Purchase Order payable to Burton Tainter in the amount of \$4,950.00 for tree work at the Route 16B Cemetery and Ossipee Valley Cemetery was presented for signatures. Morgan made a motion to approve the purchase order. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

**Old Business:**

Whittier Covered Bridge – Brad Harriman, Public Works Director, reported that he spoke with the NH DOT regarding the reimbursement request which should be finalized tomorrow. Harriman anticipates receipt of a letter by the end of the week acknowledging the reimbursement approval with a check to follow. Harriman also stated that he has submitted a pay request for 3G Construction and has just forwarded another to Hoyle, Tanner & Associates for their review, both which he hopes to have resolved by year-end.

Highway Garage – Harriman reported that four soil sample test pits were completed this morning.

Intersection of Route 28 & 171 – Morgan stated that White compiled a timeline of events on the topic that the Board will be reviewing to formulate a response to the NH DOT. Morgan stated that Representative Nelson reported last fall that the project was on the NH DOT's schedule for 2015.

New Business:

Nothing new to report.

Morgan commented that November was a quiet month in terms of the budget.

White stated that Green Mountain Conservation Group is unable to be present tonight due to the presenter suffering a knee injury but they have rescheduled for next week. She also stated that next Monday is the quarterly Representative Forum and questioned whether the schedule should be changed. Morgan stated that Green Mountain Conservation Group will be allowed a 15-minute presentation.

This concluded the business portion of the meeting and Morgan opened the meeting to public input.

Public Input:

Carol Holyoake, Reporter for the Carroll County Independent, questioned if there has been any response received from the Representatives. White answered that the reminder notices will be sent tonight.

Ed Comeau, State Representative, stated that Task Force Division on the heroin and opiate epidemic will meet on Tuesday at 9:00 AM in LOB rooms 210 & 211.

Holyoake questioned if there have been any updates made to the Sign Ordinance. Morgan responded that they have requested that the Zoning Enforcement Officer take pictures of all signs and report back to the Board as to whether they are permitted or not. Morgan stated that this is a very time consuming project but work is in progress.

Holyoake questioned if the Ossipee Valley Snowmobile Club resolved their access request. Freeman answered that they have been granted permission and the Club will be putting up warning signs along the road. Holyoake further questioned if the Club was able to resolve the snow removal issue. Morgan responded that the Water & Sewer Commission has assured the Board that they resolved the issue last year.

Holyoake asked for an update on the budget process. Morgan responded that it has been a very smooth process with credit given to the Department Heads and Boards for producing a very conservative budget. Morgan added that he is very pleased with the current budget status and tax rate.

Morgan announced that the Budget Committee will be meeting on Wednesday, 12/2/2015 at 6:30 PM at the Freight House.

Morgan also announced that a property auction is scheduled for Wednesday, 12/2/2015 at 10:00 AM at 7 Mountainview Road in Ossipee Mountain Estates where they will auction properties from the agreement with Ossipee Mountain Estates to help clean up the Cooperative. All are welcome to attend and bid on the properties. White added that it is an absolute auction with all properties starting at \$0.00. Morgan stated that there are about nine properties; 3 of which are inhabitable.

Morgan polled the Board for a non-public session under RSA 91-A:3, II (a) at 4:33 PM. Roll call vote was taken. Morgan answered yes, Freeman answered yes, and Riley answered yes. Morgan made a motion to adjourn the non-public session at 4:50 PM. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

Public session reconvened at 4:50 PM.

Comeau announced that the County Commissioners will be presenting their budget to the Delegation Tuesday, 12/1/2015 at 9:00 AM in the Delegation Room.

Being no further input, Morgan made a motion to adjourn. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

Adjourned at 4:53 PM.

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Richard H. Morgan, Chairman

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Franklin R. Riley

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Robert C. Freeman

To be approved 12/7/2015