

**Selectmen's Meeting  
Monday, July 11, 2016**

These minutes were recorded by Ellen White, Town Administrator.

**Call to Order:**

Chairman Riley called the meeting to order at 4:15 PM.

Riley opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Attendance by Roll Call:**

Present were Selectmen Franklin Riley, Robert Freeman and Richard Morgan.

**Meeting Minutes:**

Riley made a motion to approve the minutes from the Selectmen's Meeting held on 7/6/2016. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

**Accounts Payable & Payroll Manifests:**

The Payroll Voucher was submitted for the week ending 7/9/2016 in the amount of \$43,023.06. The Accounts Payable Voucher total for the week ending 7/2/2016 was in the amount of \$1,526,341.65 including accounts payable of \$81,703.65 and payment made to the School District of \$1,444,638.00. Riley made a motion to approve and sign the check voucher. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken. Morgan commented that no money has been borrowed from the Tax Anticipation Note yet and he is hopeful that we will not have to until fall.

**Review of Red Folder:**

The Board received a note from Wayne Earl of Eastside Drive regarding garbage and tires that are being dumped on Eastside Drive. Mr. Earl stated that he has been disposing of the items for several years but does not feel it is fair to be charged for them. Riley made a motion to send Mr. Earl a thank you note for his efforts and to waive any fees for the items he disposes that are being dumped on Eastside Drive. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

A Request for an Abatement was received from Bruce Madden for the property located on Map 31, Lot 50. The Assessor recommends a reduction in value of \$3,100 resulting in a refund/abatement of \$61.63 to account for unfinished area in the basement. Riley made a motion to grant the abatement. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Highway Department Work Log was received for the week ending 7/9/2016.

An Application for Elderly Exemption was submitted for review. The Assessor determined that the applicant's asset exceed the \$60,000 limit and therefore recommends denial. Riley made a motion to deny the application. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Board received a letter and invitation from the NH DOT for the Open House to be held at the Town Hall on 7/19/2016 from 5:00 – 8:00 PM for a review of the proposed project updates and improvements along Route 16 in Ossipee.

The Board received a copy of a check received from Northeast Resource Recovery Association in the amount of \$315.63 for recycling revenue.

Programming updates were received from Charter Communications (formerly Time Warner Cable).

**Old Business:**

Whittier Covered Bridge – Nothing new to report.

Highway Garage Addition – Riley stated that the addition is coming along nicely. Morgan stated that the metal work will be completed this week and the floors will be poured next week.

Intersection of Routes 28 & 171 – Riley stated that the Board's request is to correct the intersection by means of installing a traffic light and also noted that four accidents have taken place since the NH DOT's presentation on 6/1/2016.

Bub Avery Memorial Gymnasium Floor – White stated that Brad Harriman, Public Works Director, has received three quotes to replace the floor in the range of \$18,000-\$25,000. The Board stated they would see what remains in the Government Buildings Warrant Article toward the end of the year to determine when it can be done.

**New Business:**

Temporary Outdoor Event Ordinance – Morgan reported that the Board has been working on updating the Ordinance and it is now in its final draft form following a review by the Town Attorney. He stated that a date for a public hearing to review the updated draft version will be announced at next week's Selectmen's Meeting.

Morgan requested that letters be sent to the Ossipee Old Home Week Committee, Highway Department, Police Department, Fire Department and Ambulance Service for a great Old Home Week Celebration. He stated that the fireworks display is funded by monies raised by the Old Home Week Committee and private donations. Riley commented that there was great attendance and participation in this year's parade.

White reported that the Town's most recent Boston Post Cane Recipient, Leda Knapp, passed away in May and suggested that nominations be accepted for the next recipient. Riley commented that the Town's original Boston Post Cane has been turned over to the Ossipee Historical Society for safe keeping, and when the tradition was restored in 2014, a replica cane was purchased to award to the recipient.

**Public Input:**

Dan Fischbein stated that he has been attending the Planning Board Meetings for the Westward Shores Campground expansion and stated that he has concerns about improvements being made to the campground without building or shore land permits. Fischbein then presented the Board with pictures of some of the improvements being made. Fischbein stated that he met with Zoning Enforcement Officer Steve McConarty and they were only able to locate one electrical permit that has been pulled in the campground. The Board assured Fischbein that McConarty is aware of the construction and has been in contact with the campground management. Morgan stated that they will forward the pictures to McConarty for him to investigate further.

Karen Payne discussed concerns with existing septic leakage and the impact on the lake from the older septic systems, specifically in Westward Shores Campground. She questioned whether the Health Officer could investigate the older systems to see if they are in failure or in need of replacement. Morgan responded that the Health Officer is responsible for investigating complaints made related to

septic failures and added that the NH DES is responsible for regulating the design, construction and approval for operation of all systems. Payne suggested implementing a system to identify failing systems such as one that utilizes human waste detecting canines. Payne will forward further information to the Board for review.

Payne also stated her concern with milfoil and questioned whether the Town would provide funding for milfoil education and monitoring. Morgan responded that the Town already funds the Lake Host Program on an annual basis, which is managed by the Conservation Commission. Donna Gridley, Conservation Commission Member, stated that monitoring is in effect at Ossipee Lake Marina and has also been present at the Pine River Boat Launch up until the construction began.

John Bent informed the Board of a safety concern at 44 Bay Point Road where the roof was removed from a residence last year and left with tarps covering it and in very poor shape. McConarty stated he has issued a letter to the property owner informing them of the need to correct the structure which has been deemed a safety hazard. He added that the insurance company is involved which has delayed the process but the owner has been put on notice that it needs to be corrected. Morgan added that if the owner does not cure the deficiency, the Town has the authority to remove the structure and lien the property for any associated costs.

Gridley questioned the status of the house on Danville Road that is falling into Ossipee Lake. McConarty reported that he has issued a letter to the owner and received a follow up call from the property owner who has a plan in place for its removal.

Ash Fischbein thanked the Board for approving the Outdoor Event Application for the concert to be held at the 3 Covered Bridge Road property on 8/27/2016. Fischbein questioned whether a wedding to be held on the same property requires an Outdoor Event Application. Morgan stated that it is not open to the general public and therefore would not require an Outdoor Event Application.

Fischbein questioned locations for Center Ossipee business signage to be placed, suggesting the areas where the Ossipee Main Street signs are located. Brad Harriman, Public Works Director, suggested Fischbein contact the NH Bureau of Traffic to see what the regulations are since the Main Street signs are located in the State Right-of-Way.

Corey Lane from Green Mountain Conservation Group questioned whether the Town can restrict the issuance of any building permits from Westward Shores Campground until they are in compliance. Morgan responded that the campground is combining 13 parcels to incorporate into the new campground and the Town cannot restrict building permits from being issued in the old part of the campground.

Morgan stated that McConarty is completely qualified and capable of reading the plans presented for the campground expansion and the Planning Board's decision to hire an engineering firm to interpret the plans was not a result of McConarty's inability as insinuated at last week's Planning Board hearing. Riley stated that the Planning Board has initiated the independent company to ensure that the project moves forward correctly and following all regulations at the Federal, State and Local levels. Payne and Lane led additional discussion on the septic and shore land concerns. Morgan reiterated that the septic and shoreline protection is regulated by the State. Dan Fischbein stated additional concern with grey water being released from private washing machines that have been allowed on the campground property contributing to elevated phosphorous levels in the lake.

Lane discussed lake water sampling collections that were taken by Green Mountain Conservation Group in the area of the Pine River outlet where elevated bacteria levels were detected. She questioned whether bacteria samples could be taken from Westward Shores to see if the older septic systems may be contributing to the elevated levels. Additional discussion ensued about lack of sanitary facilities and trash collection at the Town Beach where over 1,500 boaters congregate with no restroom facilities, and the impact that has on the water quality of the lake.

**Non-Public Session:**

Riley polled the Board to enter a non-public session at 5:02 PM pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II (c) for a tax matter. Roll call vote was taken: Riley answered yes, Freeman answered yes, and Morgan answered yes. Riley made a motion to adjourn the non-public session at 6:10 PM. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

Riley made a motion to return to the public session at 6:11 PM. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken. Riley reported that the minutes from the non-public session were sealed.

Ash Fischbein stated he was unaware the Board was holding a meeting last week. Morgan responded that they announced they would be having one during the 6/27/2016 meeting. White stated that the agenda was posted on Friday, 7/1/2016.

Fischbein questioned when the updates will be made to the Outdoor Event Ordinance and available for viewing. Morgan responded that it is in a final draft awaiting an answer on what the public hearing requirements are. He added that a copy will be available at next week's meeting at which time they will announce the date for the public hearing prior to its adoption.

Fischbein questioned why Riley abstained from voting on Hobb's Outdoor Event Application. Riley responded that he still feels that the commercial business is trying to spill over into the village district in addition to the Zoning Officer's interpretation that the concert is not allowed in the village district are the reasons he abstained from voting. Fischbein questioned the concerts being held in the village district that are hosted by the Town. Riley responded that the concerts are not held for a profit.

**Adjournment:**

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

Adjourned at 6:10 PM.

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Franklin R. Riley, Chairman

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Robert C. Freeman

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Richard H. Morgan

To be approved 7/18/2016