

Selectmen's Meeting
Monday, February 6, 2017

These minutes were recorded by Laura Nash, Boards & Commission Secretary in the absence of Ellen White, Town Administrator.

Call to Order:

Selectman 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.
Absent Ellen White, Town Administrator.

Additional Attendee's:

Present were Craig Brady - Recreation Director, Brad Harriman - Public Works Director, Ash Fischbein - EDC, Ed Comeau - Government Oversight, and Connie Billings - Planning Board.

Meeting Minutes:

The minutes from 01/30/2017 were reviewed for approval.

Selectmen's Minutes from 01/30/2017; Riley made a motion to approve as printed. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

Accounts Payable & Payroll Manifests:

The Payroll Voucher was submitted for the week ending 02/04/2017 in the amount of \$150,605.97. The Payroll Taxes was submitted for week ending 01/28/2017 in the amount of \$63,068.93. The Accounts Payable Voucher total for the week ending 02/04/2017 was in the amount of \$213,674.90. Riley made a motion to approve and sign the check voucher. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

Review of Red Folder:

Brad Harriman submitted two proposal to replace the gymnasium flooring. Heckman's provided two options:

1. Installing a 1/4 inch subfloor and then VCT tiles over it, similar to what is currently there. The cost is \$18,930.00.
2. Installing a floating floor system of indoor sports tiles on a rubber underlayment pad. The cost is \$19,300.00.
3. Plus approximately \$1,000.00 to have, the lines painted for the basketball court.

Harriman discussed both options. Option one would be the same as what is currently in place. Option two is reported to be more durable, has a 15 year life span and is what other facilities are going to. If the Town goes with option two it would save the Town \$750.00 every quarter by not having to have the floor polished and waxed. Harriman is to provide the Selectmen with a list of other facilities currently using indoor sports tiles and to get a price and frequency of having the lines painted.

Highway Department Work Log for week 01/29/2017 to 02/04/2017 is available for those interested.

Petition and Pole License from Eversource Energy for one (1) pole, 25/46 located on Walker Hill Road and Pollys Crossing Road, Ossipee. Riley made a motion to approve. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

NHDOT Red List of Bridges update for 2016. Harriman commented Valley Rd. Bridge 110/220 is scheduled for May. Pollys Crossing Rd. Bridge and Paddy Acres Rd Bridge are complete. Harriman is to provide the final figures to the Selectmen for next meeting.

Selectmen Morgan and Freeman met the Union Representative on the contract agreement. Contract Agreement reached for this year is for a 1.5% pay increase for one year and renewing this contract for one year with no other changes. Riley made a motion to approve with the agreement within the contract. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

Submit for Town Election a Warrant Article: to see if the Town will vote to appropriate the cost item included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Town and AFSCME Local 534 which calls for the following increase in salary and benefits at the current staffing level. Fiscal year 2017 will be \$13,432.00 and further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$13,432.00 for the current fiscal year, such sum representing the additional cost contributing to the salary and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels in accordance with the most recent collective bargaining agreement. Riley noted the Budget Committee will review this Warrant Article at their next meeting. Riley made a motion to recommend and approve this Warrant Article. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

NH Department of Transportation – Notice of Public Hearing to be held at the Ossipee Town Hall on 02/22/2017 at 6:00 PM to hear public discussion on Ossipee project # 01431. The intersection proposed improvements at NH Route 16/25 and NH Route 28 with pavement rehabilitation of NH Route 16/ NH Route 25 northerly 3.36 miles.

Abatements:

Marusak Family Trust, James P. & Cathleen C Marusak Trustee's, 3 Comeau Dr. Tax Map: 061 Lot: 032. Request for Abatement of \$173.10 for Tax year 2015 only. The owner believes the property was over-valued because the acreage is listed incorrectly there is a right of way that splits the property and there is a limited building envelop due to the wet areas. Riley made a motion to approve. Freeman seconded. No discussion. A unanimous vote was taken.

Cindy Lee Stevens, 215 Moultonville Rd. Tax Map: 090 Lot: 020. Request for Abatement of \$622.82. The owner believes the property value is excessive. The owner submitted an appraisal for mortgage refinancing with a value conclusion of \$93,000. Tax Assessor conducted a complete inspection of the property and adjusted the condition of the outbuildings and recommends granting. Riley made a motion to approve. Freeman seconded. No discussion. A unanimous vote was taken.

Natalie Allen, 700 Route 16. Tax Map: 130 Lot: 012 Sub: 045. Request for Abatement of \$251.00 for her RV located in Beaver Hollow campground. The reason requesting the abatement is they moved the RV this site in May of 2016 not April of 2016. Riley made a motion to approve. Freeman seconded. Discussion, Morgan would like to see a conformation from the campground owner validating the timeframe the RV was there. Riley withdrew his motion. Returned to Tax Assessor for validating.

Craig & Gale Smith, 1 Terrace Pines Rd. Tax Map: 104 Lot: 014 Sub: 002. Request for Abatement of \$188.10. The owner believes the value is excessive. The year built is listed as 1988 but should be 1985. In 2016, the assessing office added several yard items that were not previously assessed, such as docks, decks and sheds.

The net result was an increase of roughly \$7,000. Riley made a motion to approve. Freeman seconded. No discussion. A unanimous vote was taken.

Permanent Application request for property tax credit/exemptions for a Veteran Exemptions. Reviewed and approved by Tax Assessor. Riley made a motion to approve. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

Recycling Center Daily Cash Log for January 2017 took in \$2,026.70.

Northeast Resource Recovery Association check received for scrap metal in the amount of \$444.10.

Notice from USDA Rural Development for Community Facilities Direct Loan & Grant. The program provided affordable funding to develop essential community facilities in rural areas. Posted to bulletin board.

Letter from Carroll County Commissioners referencing dead trees on County Farm Rd. Copy of letter to Brad Harriman for follow up.

Review of Water & Sewer Red Folder:

Warrant Water & Sewer for State of NH from Kellie Skehan, Tax Collector in the amount of \$114.51 with penalties after March 7, 2017. Riley made a motion to approve. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

Water & Sewer Department Expense for approval w/e 02/03/2017 for Payroll/includes retirement, Water & Sewer for Gasoline, Eastern Analytical, Inc. for sampling tests, Fairpoint - Telephone Total Expense = \$3,078.33 Riley made a motion to approve and sign the check voucher. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

Harriman requested part-time help for Bo Eldridge at Water & Sewer Department, while one employee is out. Discussion over cross-training the Highway and Water & Sewer staff and getting employees licensed ensued.

Old Business:

Intersection of Routes 28 & 171 – status quo.

Hazardous & Dilapidated Buildings – no change waiting on a court date.

9 Dorr's Corner Road – no change waiting on a court date.

Recreation Committee - Working on forming a committee

New Business:

Carroll County Independent article: Morgan commented on the article critiquing the meetings timeframe. Morgan thought, as pointed out in the article, instead of having public discussion towards the end of the meeting. Some Towns have public input in the beginning of the meeting. Morgan suggested having public input after the Pledge of Allegiance. Board discussed options. Morgan made a motion to have public input after the roll call and after new business. Seconded by Freeman. No further discussion. A unanimous vote was taken.

Morgan will not be at present at the 02/13/2017 Selectmen's meeting and maybe late for the 02/08/2017 Budget Public Hearing.

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

Public Input:

Ash Fischbein had concerns on the gymnasium flooring with having to raise up the base boards and heating units. Riley noted with either option the increased height of the flooring will be addressed.

Non-Public Session:

Riley polled the Board to enter a non-public session at 4:59 PM pursuant to RSA 91-A: 3, II (c) for a tax matter. Roll call vote was taken: Morgan answered yes. Freeman answered yes. Riley answered yes.

Riley made a motion to adjourn the non-public session at 5:06 PM. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

Riley made a motion to return to the public session at 5:07 PM. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

Riley noted the Non-Public Session was on a tax matter and the minutes will be sealed.

Any Other Business Which May Come Before This Meeting:

Morgan hopes people will come out to the Budget Hearing on Wednesday, February 08, 2017 at 6:30 PM. This is their time to ask questions and address concerns for the Budget.

Connie Billings requested approval to fill the vacancy position of Ski Kwiatkowski on the Zoning Board of Adjustments until he is well enough to return. After a brief discussion of available alternates, the request was declined as this time.

Nash passed along a request from the ZBA Chairman for assistance in finding members for the ZBA. The Selectmen agreed to add it to the next agenda for announcements.

Other Meetings:

Wed., 2/08/2017 6:30 PM – 2017 Municipal Budget Public Hearing, Bub Avery Memorial Gymnasium

Wed., 2/15/2017 6:30 PM – Public Hearing #2, if necessary or if postponed due to inclement weather

The next meeting will be scheduled on Monday, February 13, 2017 at 4:15 PM

Riley called for any further discussion. With no discussion.

Adjournment:

Riley made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.
Adjourned at 5:11 PM

Franklin R. Riley, Chairman

Robert C. Freeman

Richard H. Morgan