

**Selectmen's Meeting  
Monday, July 30, 2018**

These minutes were recorded by Ellen White, Town Administrator. The meeting was held in the Bub Avery Memorial Gymnasium at Town Hall.

**Call to Order:**

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

Morgan opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Attendance by Roll Call:**

Present were Selectmen Richard Morgan, Sandra Martin, and Martha Eldridge.

**Public Input:**

Craig Brady, Recreation Director, informed the Board that the Town did not receive the Lowes grant for the proposed playground equipment at Constitution Park. Morgan thanked Brady for his efforts.

**Meeting Minutes:**

Morgan stated that the Board entered a non-public session earlier pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II (d) for an acquisition. Morgan made a motion to seal the minutes. Martin seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

Morgan made a motion to approve the minutes from the Selectmen's Meeting held on 7/23/2018. Eldridge seconded. Martin abstained (absent). Majority vote carried.

Morgan made a motion to approve the minutes from the Work Session & Non-Public Session held on 7/23/2018. Eldridge seconded. Martin abstained (absent). Majority vote carried.

**Accounts Payable & Payroll Manifests:**

The Payroll Voucher was submitted for the week ending 7/28/2018 in the amount of \$47,987.79. The Accounts Payable Voucher was submitted for the week ending 7/23/2018 in the amount of \$10,999.31. The Water & Sewer Accounts Payable Voucher submitted for the week ending 7/23/2018 was in the amount of \$4,262.53. Morgan made a motion to approve and sign the check vouchers. Martin seconded. A unanimous vote was taken. Morgan stated that the Board reviews all invoices after they have been reviewed and coded by the department heads and finance office, and then the totals are approved in the weekly manifest.

**Review of Red Folder:**

A Supplemental Timber Tax Warrant in the amount of \$3,540.36 was presented for signatures. Morgan made a motion to approve and sign the warrant. Martin seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Board received a copy of a Wetlands Permit Application for the construction of a seasonal dock to be located at 54 Ridge Road (Map 35, Lot 10).

Morgan reviewed a memo received from the Conservation Commission requesting a payment to the NH Fish and Game for a donation toward the non-game and endangered wildlife program. Morgan stated that this request was denied last year because it was determined that it was not a membership in which the Town receives a benefit from. Morgan made a motion to deny the request for payment. Martin seconded. A unanimous vote was taken. Morgan stated that the Conservation Commission will have the opportunity to respond.

A Raffle Permit Application was received from the White Horse Addiction Center for a raffle drawing on 8/25/2018 at 3:00 PM. Morgan made a motion to grant the permit application. Martin seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The water test results were received from the NH Division of Public Health Services from the water quality tests completed at Duncan Lake and the Mill Pond on 7/18/2018. Morgan stated that the letter does not explain the results of the testing.

Morgan read the notification that the Bub Avery Memorial Gymnasium will be closed on 8/1/2018 for at least two weeks while it undergoes repairs and painting.

Morgan announced that he participated in a roundtable discussion at Hobbs Tavern last week on the topic of the Mount Whittier property that was recently purchased by John Kenney. Morgan explained that Kenney would like to see the property developed in a way that would encourage major economic development for the Town. Morgan stated that the Town adopted two areas as Economic Revitalization Zones; Center Ossipee Village and the Route 16 Corridor in the area of the old Lydall building. He then read a letter from Economic Development Chairman Ash Fischbein requesting consideration of establishing an area in West Ossipee noted on an attached map to include the Mount Whittier property as an Economic Revitalization Zone (ERZ), and to also consider the options of Tax Increment Financing (TIF) and Opportunity Zone. Morgan stated that there is no cost to the Town to establish an ERZ, it is a matter of discussion, vote taken, and application made to the State of NH DRED. Morgan stated that the Board is very pro-business and has made every effort to incentivize Ossipee as an area of development including support of zoning changes and the adoption of the tax credit for commercial and industrial businesses. Morgan made a motion to proceed with applying for the area depicted by the Economic Development Council as an Economic Revitalization Zone. Martin seconded. A unanimous vote was taken. Morgan stated that they will research the TIF and Opportunity Zones further before any recommendations are made.

The letter addressed to the NH Fish and Game Department regarding the boat launch at Conner Pond was presented for State Representative Ed Comeau's signature. Morgan requested that Comeau sign the letter so it can be mailed.

The Highway Department Work Log was received for the week ending 7/28/2018.

The Board received a copy of a check from the State of NH in the amount of \$55,075.29 for the Highway Block Grant Aid.

The Board received reports from the Dog Officer for the month of July.

The Board received the Consent Calendar Agenda from the meeting of the Governor and Executive Council held on 7/27/2018.

Morgan announced the opening of the sealed bids for surplus vehicles. The bids received are as follows:

2004 Ford F-350	\$ 651.00 from James R. Eldridge
2004 Ford F-350	\$1,111.11 from Ricker Auto Salvage
2012 Chevrolet Impala	\$ 222.22 from Ricker Auto Salvage
2013 Chevrolet Impala	\$ 222.22 from Ricker Auto Salvage
2004 Ford F-350	\$ 632.00 from Asian Auto Service
2012 Chevrolet Impala	\$ 32.00 from Asian Auto Service

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Car #6 (13 Chevrolet Impala)	\$ 350.00 from Jacklyn Broza
2004 Ford F-350	\$ 526.50 from Matt Scruton
2012 Chevrolet Impala	\$ 326.50 from Matt Scruton
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Morgan requested the bids be reviewed and compiled for decision next week.

#### **Water & Sewer Red Folder:**

A Payroll Reimbursement Request for the week ending 7/28/2018 in the amount of \$2,979.98 was presented for signatures. Morgan made a motion to approve the request. Martin seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

#### **Old Business:**

Boston Post Cane – White confirmed the replica canes have been ordered and will need to be engraved before an award ceremony is arranged.

Intersection of Routes 28 & 171 – Nothing new to report.

Sidewalks – Brad Harriman, Public Works Director, reported that he met with White Mountain Survey to make the few recommended changes and the updated plans have since been submitted to NH DOT. Harriman stated that the crosswalks are the last items to be approved and then a maintenance agreement will be prepared.

Duncan Lake Beach – Morgan requested that Harriman file the required permit to add sand to the beach.

Transfer Station Fees – Nothing new to report.

Whittier Covered Bridge – Nothing new to report.

Windows on the Ossipee Mountain Property Cleanup – White stated that proposals are due on 8/17/2017.

#### **New Business:**

None presented.

This concluded the business portion of the meeting and Morgan re-opened the meeting to Public Input.

#### **Public Input #2:**

Greg Howard, West Ossipee, questioned if the Town will be investing time and money to promote businesses to come to Town, and to make available the information on the Economic Revitalization Zones and other incentives. He discussed the traffic counts on Routes 16 and 25 and the opportunities for businesses to access visitors and others passing through. Morgan commented that the Town finally has a very active Economic Development Council and discussed the positive changes that have been made to allow more businesses to consider Ossipee. Morgan also discussed the positive tax impact that new business brings. A suggestion was made to utilize billboards to help promote Ossipee as a new business location.

Cindy Stone questioned whether the ERZ will impact residential homes. Morgan responded that establishing the area as an economic revitalization zone has no impact on the zoning; it will only allow new businesses the opportunity for additional tax breaks. He clarified that zoning changes are only allowed at Town Meeting.

White announced the Household Hazardous Waste Collection is this Saturday from 8:30 AM – Noon.

Representative Comeau stated he is on the agenda for the New Durham Board of Selectmen meeting to discuss the School District Budget Committee Proposal.

**Non-Public Session:**

Not applicable.

The next meeting will take place on Monday, August 6, 2018 at 4:15 PM.

**Adjournment:**

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

Adjourned at 4:47 PM.

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Richard H. Morgan, Chairman

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Sandra P. Martin

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Martha B. Eldridge

To be approved 8/6/2018