Selectmen's Meeting Monday, March 24, 2014

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

An Intent to Excavate was received from Ossipee Aggregates for the property located on Map 266, Lot 7. All requirements being met Morgan made a motion to approve the intent. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

An Intent to Excavate was received from Ossipee Aggregates for the property located on Map 130, Lot 10. All requirements being met Morgan made a motion to approve the intent. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Board received correspondence from the Town of Lincoln in regard to the proposed telecommunications facility that is under site plan review. Morgan made a motion to forward this information to the Planning Board for review. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

Freeman made a motion to approve the minutes from the 3/17/2014 Selectmen's Meeting. Riley seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

A Timber Tax Warrant was received in the amount of \$155.76. Morgan made a motion to sign the warrant. Riley seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Board received the time sheet for the Highway Department for week ending 3/22/2014.

Morgan made a motion to approve a vacation request. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The payroll voucher for week ending 3/22/2014 was received in the amount of \$63,739.64. Morgan made a motion to approve and sign the voucher. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The accounts payable voucher for week ending 3/22/2014 was received in the amount of \$33,529.52. Morgan made a motion to approve and sign the voucher. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

A request to the Trustee of Trust Funds for the withdrawal of \$13,800 from the Whittier Covered Bridge Expendable Trust Fund for the reimbursement of professional services paid to 3G Construction was presented for approval. Morgan made a motion to sign the request. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

A letter addressed to Michelle Marshall, State Highway Safety Engineer, in regard to the intersections of Routes 28 and 171 was presented for signature. Morgan made a motion to sign and send the letter. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Board received correspondence from Nancy Mayville from NH DOT stating the final plans on the Whittier Covered Bridge had been reviewed and found to be satisfactory.

The Board received notification that a meeting has been scheduled by CarePlus Ambulance to discuss regional ambulance coverage on Thursday, 3/27/2014 at 7:00 PM at the Freedom Town Hall. After discussion it was decided that all Board members would attend and notice of the meeting would be posted.

The MS-2, Report of Appropriations Actually Voted, was presented for signature. Morgan made a motion to sign the report. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

A letter addressed to John Mingori notifying him of his appointment to Library Trustee was presented for signature. Morgan made a motion to sign the letter. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken. Condict Billings pointed out an error in the expiration of term. White confirmed the error and stated she would correct it and re-present it to the Board for signature.

An Application for Elderly Exemption was received. All requirements being met, Morgan made a motion to approve the exemption. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

An Application for Veteran's Credit was received. All requirements being met, Morgan made a motion to approve the credit. Riley seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

An Application for Veteran's Credit as surviving spouse was received. All requirements being met, Morgan made a motion to approve the credit. Riley seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

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An Intent to Excavate was received from Ambrose Bros. Inc. for the property located on Map 231, Lot 1. All requirements being met, Morgan made a motion to approve the intent. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The 2014 proposal from Aquatic Control Technology for the treatment of milfoil was presented for approval. White stated that she and Jim Fitzpatrick have reviewed it. Morgan made a motion to sign the proposal. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Board received the programming updates from Time Warner Cable.

The Board received a memo from Kellie Skehan, Town Clerk, informing them of two openings for Trustee of Trust Funds and one opening for Library Trustee. She also stated that three Conservation Commission Members terms expire this month as well. Morgan stated that they are advertising the Trustee vacancies this week.

Morgan announced that the Board also needed to elect Selectmen's Representatives for various Boards and Committees. He stated that former Selectman Harry Merrow has served as Representative to the Dam Authority and asked White to contact him to see if he would be interested in continuing to serve.

Morgan reported that there is still vacancy for the position previously held by Roger ter Kuile with Lakes Region Planning Commission. "Ski" Kwiatkowski suggested contacting Jean Hansen to see if she had any interest.

Riley made a motion to appoint Morgan as Selectmen's Representative to the Budget Committee. Freeman seconded. Morgan abstained. Majority vote carried.

Morgan made a motion to appoint Freeman as Selectmen's Representative to the Zoning Board of Adjustment. Riley seconded. Freeman abstained. Majority vote carried.

Morgan made a motion to appoint Riley as Representative to the Safety Committee. Freeman seconded. Riley abstained. Majority vote carried.

Chester "Ski" Kwiatkowski stated that his wife, Dot, was interested in serving as Library Trustee. Morgan asked that she write a letter of request.

Freeman made a motion to appoint Peter Zavas as Representative for the Planning Board. Morgan seconded. A unanimous vote was taken. Discussion took place about a situation that took place around 2011-12 where Zavas was stripped of authority. It was agreed that the Selectmen should have the ability to provide input to the Board. Morgan made a motion that Zavas would have the authority of the Board of Selectmen in his capacity of Selectmen's Representative. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken. Morgan asked White to write a letter to the Planning Board informing them of Zavas' appointment and authority.

Zavas stated that he did not have much to report to the Board other than the few Zoning changes that had been proposed to comply with the State RSAs. He stated that he will continue to attend the meetings when his presence is required for important matters.

The Board received a letter from the Cemetery Trustees regarding the assignment of the part-time employees who conduct the cemetery maintenance. Discussion took place on the issue of reimbursements that had not been made to the employees. Roy Barron stated he would like to set up a meeting between the Board of Selectmen, Cemetery Trustees and part-time employees to discuss all issues. Further discussion ensued and it was decided that a meeting will be set up at a later date so that all parties are on the same page.

Morgan discussed the expansion of Grant Hill Cemetery and the Town cemetery on Route 171. He stated that the Board needs to investigate this further this year. Condict Billings stated there to be approximately \$65,000 in the Cemetery Trust that could be used for the purchase of land to expand the cemeteries and/or maintain them.

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

"Ski" Kwiatkowski asked if the Board had written a letter to Court regarding the individuals who had been released on bail following the recent arrests of heroin dealers. Morgan stated that they had not yet.

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

Adjourned at 5:05 PM.
Richard H. Morgan
Robert C. Freeman
Franklin R. Riley To be approved 3/31/2014