Selectmen's Meeting Monday, June 23, 2014

Chairman Richard 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.

Freeman made a motion to approve the minutes from the 6/16/2014 10:00 AM Selectmen's Workshop. Riley seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

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The Accounts Payable Voucher was submitted for the week ending 6/14/2014 in the amount of \$1,122,553.72. Morgan made a motion to approve and sign the voucher. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken. Morgan stated that in addition to signing the vouchers, the Selectmen sign each invoice.

The Payroll Voucher was submitted for the week ending 6/21/2014 in the amount of \$40,068.54. Morgan made a motion to approve and sign the voucher. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Board received a memo from Peter Waugh informing them that six participants from the track and field team qualified as NH State Finalists in the New Hampshire Hershey Track & Field State Championship Meet to take place this Friday, 6/27/2014 at Pelham High School. The finalists are Sara Hartford, Dana O'Blenes, Ruth Barron, Kloey Peterson, Cora Peterson, and Amanda Davis. The Board congratulated the finalists.

The grant agreement package was received from NH Homeland Security & Emergency Management for the Local Emergency Operation Plan Update Project. Morgan asked if White had reviewed the information. She answered that she had not. Morgan stated that he would like to review the agreement prior to accepting it.

A renewal License to Sell Pistols and Revolvers was received for Michael A. Hashem. Morgan made a motion to approve and sign the license. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

Morgan made a motion to approve the minutes from the 6/16/2014 3:00 PM Selectmen's Workshop. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Board received an email from Eric Damon of CarePlus regarding the regional ambulance meetings. Damon stated that CarePlus will be meeting with the towns in the current tri-town agreement to see if they are willing to make changes prior to their current contract expiring.

The Board received an email from the Safe Routes to School Coordinator informing them that the Federal Highway Trust Fund is nearly depleted so there will be no funds available for the sidewalk project this year. Morgan asked Harriman the status of the engineering. Harriman answered that he has to follow up with Jim Rines to incorporate ideas from the Public Hearing into the plan. Morgan asked when construction will take place. Harriman answered that it will now be spring 2015.

The Highway Department Work Log was received for the week ending 6/21/2014.

The Board received a memo from Brad Harriman, Public Works Director, which listed out the surplus equipment ready for sale. Morgan asked "Ski" if the Water and Sewer Department has compiled a list. Chester "Ski" Kwiatkowski replied that they just completed their facility tour last week and he will gather a list of equipment for next week.

A request to the Trustees of Trust Funds for withdrawal of \$23,374.50 from the Whittier Covered Bridge Expendable Trust Fund for reimbursement of payments for professional services paid to 3-G

Construction and Hoyle, Tanner & Associates was presented for signature. Morgan made a motion to sign the request. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

An Intent to Cut Timber was received from Thomas & Katherine Johnson for the property located on Map 231, Lot 19. The intent is to cut 30 acres of the 43.2 acre parcel and the logger listed is Jason Curtis. All requirements being met, Morgan made a motion to sign the intent. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

An Intent to Cut Timber was received from Ossipee Aggregates for the property located on Map 130, Lot 10. The intent is to cut 100 acres of the 348 acre parcel and the logger listed is Greenleaf Products, Inc. All requirements being met, Morgan made a motion to sign the intent. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

Three letters addressed to Scott Riley, Dennis Coates and William Eldridge acknowledging their Road Scholar status were presented for signatures. Morgan made a motion to sign the letters. Riley seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Board received a letter from Ossipee Chipping regarding their dissatisfaction with the assessing practice. Morgan asked White to forward the correspondence to the assessor for his response.

Owner	Map / Lot	Value	Refund	Approved / Denied
		Change		
Vaccaro Realty Trust	15 / 16	-\$85,200	\$1,694.63	Approved
McDonalds Corporation	9 / 1-1	-\$80,000	\$1,591.20	Approved
Belcher Family Realty Trust	37 / 10	-\$3,000	\$59.67	Approved
Belcher Family Realty Trust	37 / 9	-\$27,300	\$543.00	Approved
Dianne Sheehan	73 / 140	-\$40,500	\$760.19	Approved
Dianne Sheehan	73 / 141	-\$27,000	\$506.79	Approved

The following requests for abatement were reviewed and acted upon:

A copy of the Public Notice for the Dog Officer job opening was in the red folder for review. Morgan asked if the position had been advertised yet. White confirmed. Freeman added that a few applications have already been received.

The Board received a copy of a check received in the amount of \$1,006.07 from Northeast Resource Recovery Association for May recycling.

The Board received a letter from NH DOT informing them of upcoming paving projects in Town.

The Board received notification from Governor Wentworth Regional School District that they will be sponsoring meal service in Ossipee this summer. Breakfast will be provided 6/30/2014-8/15/2014 at the

Town Hall from 8:00 AM - 8:30 AM and at the Ossipee Central School from 8:30 AM - 9:00 AM. Lunch will also be provided at Ossipee Central School from 11:30 AM -12:00 PM.

The Board received the 2014 Spring Newsletter from Lakes Region Humane Society.

The Board received a copy of the monthly programming updates from Time Warner Cable.

The Board received a copy of the Watershed News from Green Mountain Conservation Group.

Morgan requested that White invite the candidates for the Conservation Commission vacancies to the next Selectmen's Meeting so the Board can meet them.

Old Business:

Whittier Covered Bridge – Harriman reported that he has been attempting to set up the preconstruction meeting at which time the notice to proceed will be signed. He has been informed that Stan Graton is working on a project out of state until 7/6/2014. Harriman suggested that the notice to proceed be acted upon prior to that to get the clock ticking.

Morgan thanked Harriman for getting the gate and no parking signage installed on Covered Bridge Road.

Intersection of Routes 28 & 171 – Nothing new to report. "Ski" reported that they were surveying today.

New Business: None presented.

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

"Ski" questioned if the Board will be requiring performance bonds on the Whittier Covered Bridge and sidewalk projects. Morgan confirmed. Harriman added that a performance bond is already in place for the Whittier Covered Bridge. "Ski" asked the result of Stephen McConarty's research on the availability of performance bonds. Morgan answered that McConarty found that they are available.

"Ski" questioned what the meal program is for. Morgan answered that it is a free breakfast program made available to the children who attend the recreation summer camp.

"Ski" asked for an update on the settlement of the Freight House case. Morgan answered that the Board received notice of a hearing date in the fall but it is just a formality while they are working out the details of the restitution. Morgan added that the Town is seeking reimbursement of monies paid to Lievi that should have been disbursed to the subcontractors and monies the Town had to pay to have the project completed.

"Ski" asked if the Economic Development group has met yet. White answered that their first meeting will be this Thursday at 6:00 PM at the Freight House. Morgan added that it will be an informal meeting where the group will brainstorm their approach. "Ski" offered some information on New Hampshire's economic status that he learned of at a recent planning meeting.

"Ski" questioned the Dog Officer's vacancy. Morgan answered that she is moving out of state. "Ski" commented on the terrific job she has done.

Caroline Carruth commented on the condition of Long Sands Road as well as the amenities available at Constitution Park including the tennis courts. She stated these amenities help with the rental of her property. She asked if there will be fireworks on the 4th of July. Morgan confirmed. Carruth also acknowledged her surprise of the amount of cemeteries the Town maintains.

Maria Varni approached the Board with an Intent to Cut Timber. After short discussion on her situation, Morgan suggested she contact Sue Simpson, Timber Clerk, before they proceed with the intent.

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

Adjourned at 5:00 PM

Richard H. Morgan

Robert C. Freeman

Franklin R. Riley

To be approved 6/30/2014