

**Selectmen's Meeting
Monday, July 28, 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.

Morgan made a motion to approve the minutes from the 7/21/2014 Selectmen's Meeting. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

Morgan corrected the date on the workshop minutes to reflect the correct date of 7/21/2014. Morgan then made a motion to approve the minutes from the 7/21/2014 Selectmen's Workshop. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Accounts Payable Voucher was submitted for the week ending 7/19/2014 in the amount of \$31,069.68. Morgan made a motion to approve and sign the voucher. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Payroll Voucher was submitted for the week ending 7/26/2014 in the amount of \$43,607.65. Morgan made a motion to approve and sign the voucher. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Board received a copy of the Public Notice for Surplus Vehicles. Morgan asked if the notice has been published. White confirmed. Morgan announced that the sealed bids will be due on 8/8/2014 and will be opened during the 8/11/2014 Selectmen's Meeting.

The Board received an invitation from Ossipee Concerned Citizens to attend Endowment for Health President Steven Rowe on 8/13/2014 from 1:30 PM-3:00 PM. Selectmen Freeman and Riley will attend.

Brad Harriman, Public Works Director, submitted a memo to the Board reviewing two quotes received for winter salt for the 2015 season. Granite State Minerals and Morton Salt both provided quotes using the NH DOT State Bid price of \$56.41/ton. Harriman recommended awarding the contract to Granite State Minerals, a supplier the Town has used in the past. Morgan made a motion to award the contract to Granite State Minerals. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Highway Department Work Log was received for the week ending 7/26/2014.

The Board received Notice of an Application Seeking to Construct a Personal Wireless Communications Facility in the Town of Gilford.

The Board received a letter from NH DOT requesting support of a project involving installation, relocation and upgrading of warning signs located on horizontal curves on State roads throughout town. Morgan made a motion to submit a letter in support of the project. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

An Intent to Cut Timber was received from Jane and Barry Ennis for the property located on Map 254, Lot 14. The intent is to cut 5 acres from the 8-acre parcel and the logger listed is Bruce Heald. The taxes are current and there is no cemetery. Morgan made a motion to sign the intent. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

An Intent to Cut Timber was received from Lauren's Sleds, LLC for the property located on Map 266, Lot 11. The intent is to cut 12 acres from the 13.42-acre parcel and the logger listed is Green Leaf Products. The taxes are current and there is no cemetery. Morgan made a motion to sign the intent. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

Form PA-16, Application for Reimbursement to Towns and Cities in which Federal and State Forest Land is situated, was submitted for signatures. Morgan made a motion to sign the application. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Purchase Order issued to Howard P. Fairfield Inc. for the purchase of carbide plow blades was submitted for signatures. Morgan made a motion to sign the Purchase Order. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Purchase Order issued to Winnepesaukee Lumber Co., Inc. for the purchase of decking for the Bean Mountain Bridge was submitted for signatures. Morgan made a motion to sign the Purchase Order. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Purchase Order issued to Industrial Traffic Lines, Inc. for the contract to line Town roads was submitted for signatures. Morgan made a motion to sign the Purchase Order. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

A letter addressed to Crystal Eastman welcoming her Law Office to Town was presented for signatures. Morgan made a motion to sign the letter. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Board received a copy of a check received from Northeast Resource Recovery Association in the amount of \$473.08 for recycling.

An Administrative Abatement Request was received for the property located on Map 38, Lot 5 owned by Agape Ministries Servants, Inc. Morgan stated that the Board agreed to abate 75% of the assessed value for the 2013 tax year. Morgan made a motion to approve the request. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

Old Business:

Whittier Covered Bridge – Harriman reported that the preconstruction meeting was held last Wednesday and construction will begin on 9/2/2014. Morgan commented that he was dissatisfied with the meeting and not impressed to find that there is no contingency fund set up for unforeseen circumstances in the construction phase. Additional discussion took place on the overall project and the challenges faced being a design/build concept.

Morgan asked the status of the bids for the cleanup of the Jude Boulevard and Pine Hill Road properties. Harriman asked if he could put out a Public Notice for bids. The Board agreed. Freeman questioned if the Highway Department could complete the cleanup. Harriman stated that it was considered but there are now two properties to cleanup. Kellie Skehan, Town Clerk/Tax Collector, reported that she has been contacted by the previous owner of the Jude Boulevard property who may be interested in repurchasing the property.

Boston Post Cane – Morgan announced that the Board will be presenting the Boston Post Cane next Monday, 8/4/2014 at 1:00 PM at Mountain View Community.

Morgan announced that the Board of Selectmen attended a regional Selectmen's meeting last Thursday, 7/24/2014 at the Freedom Town Hall to discuss the regional ambulance contract. He stated that another meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, 8/6/2014 at 6:00 PM.

Riley questioned when the road along Abbott & Staples will be striped. Harriman answered that he will be notified by the lining company with 2-3 weeks notice. He added that the Highway Department will also be making repairs to the shoulder and culverts.

Morgan commended the Highway Department for the road conditions following the torrential rain storms. He added that the Department has done a great job with culverts, drainage and grading which has lessened the need to rebuild roads after storms take place.

New Business:
None presented.

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

Harriman stated that the paving bids are due on 8/8/2014 and will be opened at the 8/11/2014 Selectmen's meeting. Morgan asked what the paving projects are that will be completed. Harriman answered that Staag Drive and Sawyer Road will receive top coat; Thurley Road bridge will be paved and a 300-400' section of Hodsdon Shore Road will be repaired.

Morgan polled the Board for non-public session under RSA 91-A:3, II (c). Morgan made the motion to enter a non-public session at 4:40 PM. Freeman seconded. The motion carried 3-0. Roll call vote was taken. Morgan answered yes, Freeman answered yes and Riley answered yes. Morgan made a motion to adjourn the non-public session at 5:35 PM. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

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

Adjourned at 5:35 PM.

Richard H. Morgan

Robert C. Freeman

Franklin R. Riley

To be approved 8/4/2014