

Selectmen's Meeting
Monday, August 4, 2014

Chairman Richard Morgan called the meeting to order at 4:20 PM. Present were Selectmen Richard Morgan, Robert Freeman and Franklin Riley, and Ellen White, Town Administrator, who recorded the minutes.

Morgan announced that the Board presented the Boston Post Cane to Leda Knapp at a ceremony held at the Mountainview Community Home at 1:00 this afternoon. He added that today is also Leda's 106th birthday.

Freeman made a motion to approve the minutes from the 7/28/2014 Selectmen's Meeting. Riley seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

Freeman made a motion to approve the minutes from the 7/28/2014 Selectmen's Workshops. Riley seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

Morgan made a motion to approve the minutes from the 7/24/2014 Regional Selectmen's Meeting held in Freedom. Riley seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Accounts Payable Voucher was submitted for the week ending 7/26/2014 in the amount of \$69,724.77. 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 8/2/2014 in the amount of \$105,939.97. Morgan made a motion to approve and sign the voucher. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

Morgan stated that all invoices are reviewed prior to the meeting and then the totals are accepted during the meeting.

Incident reports were received from the new Dog Officer for July activity.

A revised Administrative Abatement Request was received for the property located on Map 38, Lot 5 owned by Agape Ministries Servants Inc. White stated that the refund amount on the request approved on 7/28/2014 had been miscalculated. Morgan made a motion to sign the revised request. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

A Jeopardy Tax Warrant in the amount of \$1.00 was submitted for the property located on Map 16, Lot 15, Sub Lot 13. Morgan made a motion to sign the warrant. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Board received a copy of an email from Beth Vacca-Adjutant asking for their assistance in having the no swimming restriction removed from the NH Fish and Game Cartop Boat Launch on Conner Pond. After short discussion, Morgan asked White to draft a letter to NH Fish and Game requesting removal of the swimming restriction.

The Board received a copy of the report from the Household Hazardous Waste Collection that took place on 8/2/2014. Morgan stated there were 169 total households that contributed; 46 from Ossipee.

The Board received the July newsletter from Executive Councilor Kenney.

The Recycling Center Daily Cash Log was received for the month of July. The total amount collected was \$4,793.75.

A Request for Abatement was received from Green Oak Realty Development, LLC for the property located on Map 235, Lot 4. The Assessor recommended reducing the acreage of the prime site for a reduction in value of \$351,900 and refund of \$6,791.67. Morgan made a motion to approve the abatement request. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

A Request for Abatement was received from Rosemarie Boyer Revocable Trust for the property located on Map 20, Lot 10. The Assessor recommended a reduction in value in the amount of \$25,000 following a review of the property resulting in a refund of \$497.25. Morgan made a motion to approve the abatement request. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

Morgan announced that the Board will be attending another Regional Selectmen's Meeting this Wednesday, 8/6/2014 at 6:00 PM at the Freight House for further discussion on a regional ambulance contract.

Old Business:

White stated that she received a call from Charlotte Fitzpatrick regarding the Little Free Libraries. Fitzpatrick would like to place one of the Little Free Libraries at the Transfer Station. Brad Harriman suggested it be installed next to the Planet Aid recycling bin. Morgan agreed with the location. White added that Fitzpatrick is working on other areas of towns and is having difficulty in the West Ossipee area. Riley suggested the Fire Department.

Morgan announced that the Board held a monthly finance meeting with the Town Clerk/Tax Collector, Treasurer, Finance Manager and Town Administrator earlier today to discuss town finances and cash flow.

New Business:

None presented.

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

Chester "Ski" Kwiatkowski spoke on an article he read in the Granite State News about a weekend meal program where 40 Ossipee families received assistance. Discussion ensued on financial need throughout Town. "Ski" asked the Board to consider the families in need during the budget process.

"Ski" questioned when the Regional Selectmen's Meeting is to take place. Morgan answered that it will be at 6:00 PM this Wednesday at the Freight House. Morgan added that although the last meeting did not go into non-public session, this meeting most likely will since figures for the contract ambulance service may be discussed.

"Ski" asked for an update on the Lievi case. Morgan answered that the County Attorney's Office is still working on the plea and restitution figures.

"Ski" questioned when the 40 Route 16B will be cleaned up from the fire damage and further stated that there is a one-year requirement. Morgan answered that the fire damage has been cleaned up and the remaining beams and foundation are not in violation of the Ordinance.

“Ski” informed the Board that the Water & Sewer Department is also working on a Purchasing Policy and requested permission to use parts from the Town’s Policy. Morgan encouraged the use of the Town’s Policy stating the Department should reflect consistency of the Town.

Morgan announced that the next Budget Committee Meeting will be held on 8/13/2014 at 7:00 PM at the Freight House.

“Ski” announced that the Water & Sewer Meeting will be Monday, 8/11/2014 at 5:30 PM at the Freight House. He stated that there were not enough chairs for the attendees at the last meeting held at the Water & Sewer Department so the next meeting will be held at the Freight House.

Morgan polled the Board for a 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. A unanimous vote was taken. 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 5:05 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 5:05 PM.

Richard H. Morgan

Robert C. Freeman

Franklin R. Riley

To be approved 8/11/2014