

Selectmen's Meeting

09/09/13

Chairman Harry C. Merrow called the meeting to order at 4:15 PM. Present were: Robert C. Freeman, Richard H. Morgan and Martha B. Eldridge, Town Administrator, who recorded the minutes.

Freeman made a motion to approve the minutes of the Selectmen's Meeting held on August 26, 2013. Morgan seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The payroll voucher for the week ending 9/10/13 was submitted in the amount of \$47,499.30. Merrow made a motion to approve and sign the voucher. Morgan seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The accounts payable voucher for the week ending 9/10/13 was submitted in the amount of \$33,914.56. Merrow made a motion to approve and sign the voucher. Morgan seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Board received a list of retirees that are due a return of surplus funds for a three year period. Merrow made a motion to approve this reimbursement. Freeman seconded. Morgan abstained. He was on the list for funds to be returned.

The Board received a warrant for Unlicensed Dogs. Merrow made a motion to sign this warrant. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Board received reports from UNH for the Lord Scholarship Fund. These reports will be discussed next week and the Board asked Trustee of Trust Funds member Condict Billings to be at the meeting next week.

The Board received a contract for professional services for the 2014 support for the GIS Service Maintenance Agreement. Merrow made a motion to sign this agreement. Morgan seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Board received and reviewed an invoice from the W & S Dept. for work done in Aug. of 2012. The Board was unclear as what this is for, and turned the invoice over to Brad Harriman to look into.

The Board received multiple updates from Time Warner Cable TV.

The Board received a copy of a check from NRRA for recycling goods from the Transfer Station.

The Board received water testing results for Duncan Lake and the Mill Pond. The results were all fine.

The Board received a notice that the milfoil treatment has been postponed until a later date due to weather conditions.

The Board received a project status report for the sidewalk project.

The Board received a letter from the Chickville Cemetery Association thanking Doug Sargent for his help when the water was extended across the road to enable people to water the lots without crossing the road to obtain water.

The Board received notification from PLT (Property Liability Trust) relating to the re-structuring of the LGC/NH Municipal Association. A Joint Authorization and Power of Attorney was enclosed. Merrow made a motion to complete and sign the document. Morgan seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

A Timber Tax Warrant in the amount of \$1,303.36 was submitted. Merrow made a motion to approve and sign this warrant. Morgan seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

A Cemetery Deed for James & Jean Cirillo was submitted for signatures. Merrow made a motion to sign this deed. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

A Contract for Use of Facility was received from the Rodney A. White, Sr. VFW Post & Aux. #8270 to hold a Penny Sale on 10-19-13. The request is to use the gym and kitchen from 12 noon thru 9:00 PM. Merrow made a motion to approve this request. Morgan seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

An application for an abatement was received for property located at 88 Leavitt Rd., Map 31 Lot 58. With the information provided the assessor recommended approval of the request. Merrow made a motion to approve this request. Morgan seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

Letters of commodation were written to Doug Sargent and Ian MacMillan. Merrow made a motion to sign the letters. Morgan seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Board reviewed a letter to the Trustee of Trust Funds requesting a check in the amount of \$4,564.89 to reimburse the Town for payment to White Mountain Survey for professional services for survey work on the Sidewalks. Merrow made a motion to approve and sign the request. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Board reviewed a letter to the Trustee of Trust Funds requesting a check in the amount of \$6,019.24 to pay Hoyle, Tanner & Associates, Inc. for professional services for work on the Whittier Covered Bridge. Merrow made a motion to approve and sign the request. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Board received a letter of appreciation from the Medication Bridge program for our support to their program.

The Town of Effingham sent their thanks to the NH Fish & Game, the NH State Police, the NH State Police Air Unit, all the communities who sent their firefighters and equipment, the Ossipee Valley Mutual Aid, local police, CareTrak Northeast, and the NH Civil Air Patrol for their help in the rescue of a missing patient. The Board asked Eldridge to forward this to our Police Department.

Laurie Proctor of Duncan Lake Realty Trust came in for her appointment with the Board. She reviewed the history of a lot of land, Map 123 Lot 31. After a review of the history and documentation of this parcel, Merrow made a motion to deed this parcel to the Duncan Lake Realty Trust. Morgan seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Board received a letter from CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates for Children) requesting an appropriation from the Town. Morgan asked that this be part of the outside agency requests. Eldridge will forward the packet that is mailed to all outside agencies.

Pat Jones came in to see if the Board intends on supporting the NH Division of Economic Development Economic Revitalization Zone Tax Credits. The Board was favorable to this program and Merrow made a motion to apply for the certification. Morgan seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

Jones informed the Board that Main St. is holding a Walk-a-thon on Sept. 21 at 10:00 am. She also stated that a Cook-Out is scheduled in the Park on 09-28-13 to show its appreciation to the townspeople for their help in the Main St. Program. She encouraged the Board to participate and attend the events.

Merrow stated that the property located at 1 Jude Blvd, owned by the Town, still has a burned building on it. Brad Harriman, Public Works Director, has looked into having the building torn down prior to selling it and the cost is quite high. Merrow made a motion to sell the property as is. Morgan seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

Merrow stated that the construction work in the Welfare Office will start this week.

Harriman reported that the reconstruction work on the driveway at the freight house is scheduled to start tomorrow.

Harriman reported that he will be attending a meeting in Concord in reference to the Whittier Covered Bridge.

Harriman reported that they are still waiting for a date for the meeting to discuss the Rte. 171 and Rte. 28 intersection.

Merrow asked Freeman when they will be attending the meeting that they didn't make last Spring for Emergency Management. Freeman said they will be going in Oct.

Freeman reported that they are trying to get a meeting setup to meet to discuss the Reverse 911. Freeman stated that they are also planning to meet with the school to see if something could be done to enable use of their system.

Merrow reported that the RFP for the Ambulance contract has been completed. Merrow made a motion to advertise for the contract. Morgan seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The changes in the fee schedule at the Transfer Station were presented and reviewed. Morgan made a motion to approve the changes. Merrow seconded. A unanimous vote was taken. The changes are as follows:

| ITEM | DESCRIPTION | EXISTING FEE | PROPOSED FEE |
|-----------|--|---------------|---|
| E-Waste | Computer Towers Monitors, Laptops Microwaves | \$2.00-25.00 | \$5.00 each item |
| TV'S | TV's all sizes | \$2.00-25.00 | \$10.00 each item |
| Furniture | Mattresses, Couches Chairs, Rugs, etc. | \$2.00-25.00 | \$10.00 each item |
| Tires | Tire only-no rim | \$3.00 and up | \$3/tire up to 1 ton 18" \$10.00 tire over 1 ton |

New signage will be posted at the facility.

The curbing work for the flower gardens in Ossipee Village is starting.

Merrow made a motion to notify Kevin Straughan, of the Agape Ministries, that he will no longer be allowed to dump at the Transfer Station for free. Morgan seconded. A unanimous vote was taken. Eldridge was asked to notify Straughan of this vote.

Harriman reported that the caps have been poured at the Thurley Rd. Bridge and the decks should be placed soon.

Morgan stated that he has been reviewing the request from Byron Martin to purchase a small strip of land that abuts his. Morgan stated that the Town should get at least what the assessed value of the property is. The Board agreed and Eldridge will write to Martin with this information.

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

Melissa Seamans asked when is it expected to move into the freight house. Harriman said they should be able to move in the last week in Sept.

Seamans asked for a copy of the correspondence from the Property Liability Trust.

Seamans asked how long the Ambulance Contract would be for. Morgan stated that this would be decided when the contract is awarded. It looks like three to five years.

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

Adjourned at 5:10 pm

Harry C. Merrow, Chairman

Robert C. Freeman

Richard H. Morgan

To be approved 09/23/13