

Selectmen's Meeting

10/07/13

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.

Morgan made a motion to approve the minutes of the Selectmen's Meeting held on September 23, 2013. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

Merrow commented on the fire at 78 Moultonville Rd. that destroyed a barn. He complimented the Fire Department for saving the house next door. Eldridge was asked to write a letter to the department.

Morgan congratulated the Police Dept. for the three additional drug busts done in the recent past. Eldridge was asked to write a letter to them.

The payroll voucher for the week ending 10/01/13 was submitted in the amount of \$108,658.98. 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 10/01/13 was submitted in the amount of \$90,220.30. Merrow made a motion to approve and sign the voucher. Morgan seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The payroll voucher for the week ending 10/08/13 was submitted in the amount of \$48,681.72. 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 10/08/13 was submitted in the amount of \$17,796.68. Merrow made a motion to approve and sign the voucher. Morgan seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

Merrow made a motion to approve the minutes of the Public Hearing held on September 23, 2013 to discuss the purchase of land located on Duncan Lake Rd. Map 112 Lot 19. Morgan seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Board received a notice from the Meredith Place Veterinary Emergency facility informing them of the policies at this facility. Eldridge was asked to forward this notice to the Dog Officer and see if Ossipee uses this facility.

The Board received two weekly reports from Sept. 23rd thru Oct. 04th from the Highway Department.

A Timber Tax Warrant in the amount of \$1,184.48 was submitted. Merrow made a motion to approve and sign this warrant. Morgan seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

A Timber Tax Warrant in the amount of \$1,460.88 was submitted. Merrow made a motion to approve and sign this warrant. Morgan seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

An Intent to Cut was received from Judith A. & Guy J. Spinale to cut 28-30 acres a thirty-seven acre parcel of land located on Foggs Ridge Rd. Map 275 Lot 12000. The logger listed is Timothy

Murphy. Merrow made a motion to approve and sign the intent. Morgan seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

An Intent to Cut was received from Donald Hayward to cut 10 acres a one thousand nine-hundred-eighteen acre parcel of land located on Route 16 Map 266 Lot 7000. The logger listed is Greenleaf Products. Merrow made a motion to approve and sign the intent. Morgan seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

A Contract for GIS internet services for the on line mapping and assessing was presented. After review of the contract, Merrow made a motion to approve and sign it. Morgan seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

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The Board received a request from “Granite State Independent Living” asking if they could be a link of the town’s web-site. This is a resource for senior and people with disabilities. The Board agreed to have this site posted.

An application for a sign was presented to the Board. The application did not meet the guidelines. After review of the application, Morgan stated that for now he is not in favor of the sign, but feels Deighan should approach the Planning Board and see if they recommend changes to the sign ordinance. Merrow agreed with Morgan.

Merrow read the attached memo from Brad Harriman referencing the status of projects being worked on.

Merrow stated that they have the guidelines from Tri-Country Community Action. He asked Eldridge to forward these to our web site.

The Board received a notice from the Lakes Region Planning Commission that Kimon Koulet’s is retiring and the notice included an invitation to celebrate his retirement.

The Board received a copy of the “Watershed News”.

The Board received an invitation to join the Greater Ossipee Area Chamber of Commerce for their 40th Annual Dinner.

The Board received an update from Time Warner Cable TV.

A Contract for Use of Facility was received from Sandra Eldridge to use chairs for a wedding being held on Oct. 5th. Merrow made a motion to approve this request. Morgan seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Recycling Center’s Daily Cash Log for the month of September was received in the amount of \$4,045.00.

A copy of a check in the amount of \$51.40 was received from the Northeast Resource Recovery Association.

The Board received a notice and questionnaire referencing the upcoming paving and intersection improvements along 3.4 miles between Rte. 16, Rte. 16B and Rte. 28.

The Board received a "Permission for Snowmobile Access" from the Ossipee Valley Snowmobile Club to use Archers Pond Rd. and Constitution Park for one year's use. Morgan made a motion to approve this request. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Bids for the printing of the Town Report were opened.

The Board received one (1) bid for the printing of the Town Report from Minuteman Press. The amount bid is \$2,474.57. Merrow made a motion to take this bid under advisement.

The Board received three (3) bids for fuel for the year.

CN Brown bid:

Heating fuel #2	3.2055	or .1565 over rack price
Diesel	3.3890	or .1565 over rack price
Gasoline	3.3814	or .2365 over rack price

Jesse Lyman Oil

Heating fuel #2	3.259	0.14 rack
Diesel	3.275	0.12 rack
Gasoline	2.915	0.15 rack

Carroll County Oil

Hearing fuel # 2	.18 over rack price
Diesel	.18 over rack price
Gasoline	.18 over rack price

Freeman reported that the training meeting that was missed last Spring will be held on Nov. 14, 2013.

Freeman reported that he has supplies ordered for the trailer that have not yet been received.

Morgan reported that we should be receiving a letter from the State Dept. of Transportation in reference to the Rte. 171 & Rte. 28 intersection.

Merrow stated that at the last meeting it was discussed that non-profit agencies will no longer be able to dump for free at the Transfer Station. Eldridge stated that the only agency mentioned last week was the Agape Food Pantry & Thrift Shop. The Board agreed that this pertains to all non-profit agencies in the future. The only difference would be if arrangements are made with the Board on an individual basis.

Merrow stated that they will be interviewing for the Town Administrator's position this week.

Melissa Seamans asked how many applications they received. Merrow said two (2) applications and they were from inside the building.

Morgan stated that some towns feel that the portion they are being taxed for the County should be abated and removed because they are no longer part of the dispatch coverage area. Morgan stated that the County owns 29 million dollars in property that is tax exempt because the county

buildings are located in Ossipee. That is approximately \$539,000 in lost tax revenue that Ossipee loses.

Morgan suggested a meeting with the owners of the Mountainview Station to discuss the placement of the rocks and the snowplowing issue.

Seamans stated that she has done a study in reference to the dispatch office and is willing to share this information with the Board. They accepted her offer.

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

Chester “Ski” Kwiatkowski stated that at the last meeting the Board only referred to one non-profit agency and that was Agape.

Kwiatkowski asked if the Town had received its refund from the Local Government Center. The Board said they have.

Kwiatkowski stated that the Water & Sewer Dept. just received awards for the “Utility of the Year Award” from the New England Water Works Assoc. and an “Award of Merit” for work done by the department. Kwiatkowski asked if they could hang a sign on the Town of Ossipee signs (entering Ossipee) recognizing this. The Board said they would take this request under advisement.

Clinton Merrick, resident from the Deer Cove area asked the Board if something could be done in reference to the speeding in this area. He requested that the Board consider “Speed Bumps”. This matter will be turned over to Brad Harriman, Public Works Director, to look into.

Condict Billings asked that Melissa Seamans put something in her article referring the need for a Trustee of Trust Funds. One of the members has moved out of Town and can no longer serve.

Seamans asked if anyone knew whether or not the rumble strips are going to be put back down now that the paving is done on Rte. 16. The Board said it looks like they intend on putting them back, and they agreed to look into this.

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

Adjourned at 5:00 pm

Harry C. Merrow, Chairman

Robert C. Freeman

Richard H. Morgan

To be approved 10/21/13