

Selectmen's Meeting
Monday, December 1, 2014

Chairman Morgan called the meeting to order at 4:15 PM. Present were Selectmen Richard Morgan, and Franklin Riley, and Ellen White, Town Administrator, who recorded the minutes. Selectman Robert Freeman arrived late at 4:28 PM.

Morgan made a motion to accept the minutes from the 11/24/2014 Selectmen's Meeting. Riley seconded. Majority vote carried.

Morgan made a motion to accept the minutes from the 11/24/2014 Selectmen's Workshop. Riley seconded. Majority vote carried.

The Accounts Payable Voucher was submitted for the week ending 11/22/2014 in the amount of \$142,325.95. Morgan made a motion to approve and sign the voucher. Riley seconded. Majority vote carried.

The Payroll Voucher was submitted for the week ending 11/29/2014 in the amount of \$38,809.11. Morgan made a motion to approve and sign the voucher. Riley seconded. Majority vote carried.

The Boat Agent Agreement authorizing Barry Rollins, dba Wards Boat Shop to collect boat taxes for the Town of Ossipee was presented for approval. Morgan made a motion to approve and sign the agreement. Riley seconded. Majority vote carried.

The Highway Department work log was received for the week ending 11/29/2014.

An Application for Current Use was received from Stephen Kauffman for the property located on Map 230, Lot 1. There are currently 14-acres in Current Use and this application is to put the remaining 25-acres of the 39-acre parcel into Current Use. Morgan made a motion to approve the application. Riley seconded. Majority vote carried.

Morgan read the Public Notice for the Regional Selectmen's Meeting that the Board of Selectmen will be attending on Thursday, 12/4/2014 at 6:00 PM in the Conference Room at Town Hall for discussion on the regional ambulance service proposals received.

The Board received Incident Reports from the Dog Officer for the period of 10/20/2014-11/15/2014.

The Tax Collector's Warrant for Property Tax Levy in the amount of \$7,003,597 was presented for signatures. Morgan made a motion to sign the warrant. Riley seconded. Majority vote carried.

A letter addressed to the Broad-Leavitt Bay Association thanking them for their donation in the amount of \$500 toward the Invasive Species Control Fund was presented for signatures. Morgan made a motion to sign the letter. Riley seconded. Majority vote carried.

A Request for Abatement in the amount of \$68.00 was submitted for a property eligible for an Elderly Exemption. The tax paid on the first half bill exceeded the total tax due for the year. Morgan made a motion to approve the request. Riley seconded. Majority vote carried.

An Outdoor Event Application was received from Sunny Villa Restaurant for Vintage Snowmobile Racing to take place Sundays starting 1/4/2015 from 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM. Previously approved by all required departments, Morgan made a motion to approve the application. Riley seconded. Majority vote carried.

An Application for Sign Permit was received from John Puchacz to change their existing sign located on Map 123, Lot 10 to a double-sided 14'x48'. Dave Senecal, Code Enforcement Officer, discussed the applicant's request and the need for a variance where the existing sign is pre-existing non-conforming due to its size at 12'x36'. He further stated that the applicant has the option to add a back side to their existing sign that would not be in violation of the Sign Ordinance. Morgan made a motion to approve the permit to add a second sign to the back-side of the existing sign. Riley seconded. Majority vote carried.

Old Business:

Whittier Covered Bridge – Brad Harriman, Public Works Director, stated that they are still working on the chords and laterals of the bridge and everything is now opened up so there should be no more surprises found for deterioration.

Harriman reported that last week's clean up went smoothly with no break downs and the Highway Department is working on cleaning up limbs from the heavy snow load. The Board commended the Department for their hard work.

New Business:

Morgan stated that he attended the Planning Board meeting two weeks ago where there was discussion on proposed changes to the Zoning Ordinance. Harry Merrow, member of an ad-hoc committee formed to bring business into Town, stated that the request includes changes to the Commercial Zone, the splitting of a zone for one lot, allowing more than one building per lot in both commercial and residential areas, and allowing zones to be reflected by lot lines. Merrow stated his dissatisfaction with the results from the Planning Board stating that three proposals received do not reflect what was discussed or voted on at the meeting. Merrow further stated that he will be drafting a petition warrant article for the changes. Discussion took place on the deadline for zoning amendments. Morgan will be attending the Planning Board meeting on Tuesday, 12/2/2014 for further discussion.

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

Public Input:

Freeman announced that the fire was contained to one room but a pet was lost.

Morgan stated the next Budget Committee Meeting is scheduled for 6:30 PM on Wednesday, 12/3/2014 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 4:45 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 4:51 PM. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

Public session reconvened at 4:51 PM.

Cy Rouleau stated that he rents the Diprizio Garage in West Ossipee from Dave Sands. He requested a no-thruway sign to stop traffic from using the parking lot as a shortcut as it's a safety concern for his customers. The Board directed him to contact the Public Works Director.

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

Adjourned at 4:55 PM.

Richard H. Morgan, Chairman

Robert C. Freeman

Franklin R. Riley

To be approved 12/8/2014