

Selectmen's Meeting

03/22/10

Chairman Harry C. Merrow called the meeting to order at 4:15 PM. Present were: Harry C. Merrow, E. Morton Leavitt, Kathleen M. Maloney, and Martha B. Eldridge, Town Administrator, who recorded the minutes.

Leavitt made a motion to approve the minutes of 3-15-10. Maloney seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

Merrow stated that the Office of Energy and Planning announced that the grant application submitted for the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant was awarded a total of \$40,185.00.

The Work-log from the Highway Department for the week ending 03-19-10 was received.

An Intent to Cut was submitted from Richard David Welch to cut 25 acres of a 25-acre parcel of land located on Route 171 Map 20 Lot 9. The logger listed is Richard David Welch. This intent replaced the one processed last week. Merrow made a motion to approve and sign this intent. Leavitt seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

An Intent to Cut was submitted from Brenda Schulz to cut 5 acres of a 27-acre parcel of land located on Granite Rd. Map 25 Lot 96. The logger listed is Wayne Cheney. Merrow made a motion to approve and sign this intent. Leavitt seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

An Intent to Cut was submitted from John Jeddrey to cut 70 acres of a 106-acre parcel of land located on Polly's Crossing Rd. Map 18 Lot 56. This is a supplemental intent. The logger listed is Roger L. Garland. Merrow made a motion to approve and sign this intent. Maloney seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

An Intent to Cut was submitted from Downey Shea to cut 10 acres of a 377-acre parcel of land located on Archers Pond Rd. Map 17 Lot 4. The logger listed is Roger L. Garland. Merrow made a motion to approve and sign this intent. Maloney seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Board received a notice from DES that the town is no longer subject to NH Code of Administrative Rules, in reference to the operation of the incinerator that was shut down as of July 1, 2009.

The Board received a request to the Trustees of Trust Funds to issue a check in the amount of \$6,183.95 payable to Hoyle, Tanner Associates, Inc. for engineering work for the Whittier Covered Bridge Project. Merrow made a motion to approve and sign this request. Maloney seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Board received and reviewed the completed MS-2 (Statement of Appropriations). Merrow made a motion to sign this document. Leavitt seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

An application, certification and agreement form for Federal Surplus Property was presented for review and approval. Merrow made a motion to approve and sign this application to enable the town to participate in this program. Maloney seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

A letter that is sent to property owners that have done an Intent to Cut was presented for new signatures. Merrow made a motion to sign this letter. Leavitt seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

Merrow made a motion to sign a letter of appointment to Carol Gartland-Bateman to serve as the Selectmen's Representative to the Planning Board. Maloney seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

Merrow made a motion to sign a contract with Paul L. King, Land Surveying and Engineering, to start the perambulation of town lines with Tuftonboro. Leavitt seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Board received a copy of the agenda from the Lakes Region Planning Commission Meeting to be held on March 29, 2010 at the Tilton School at 6:00 PM.

An application for a Veteran's Tax Credit was received. All requirements being met, Merrow made a motion to approve this tax credit. Maloney seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

An application for an Elderly Exemption was received. All requirements being met, Merrow made a motion to approve this tax credit. Maloney seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

A contract with Cartographic Associates, Inc. was presented for review and signatures. The contract is for the new program associated with the new tax maps. Merrow made a motion to sign this contract. Leavitt seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

An abatement request was received from the Estate of Dorothy Young for property located on South Shore Rd. Map 37 Lot 11-1. After review of the property the assessment was found to be in line with other properties. Merrow made a motion to deny this request. Maloney seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

An abatement request was received from Edward & Patricia Gaj for property located at 36 Long Sands Rd. Map 44 Lot 10. After review of the property the assessment was found to be in line with other properties. Merrow made a motion to deny this request. Maloney seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

An abatement request was received from Raymond Varney for property located at 2 Chickville Rd. Map 11 Lot 13. After review of the property the assessment was found to be in line with other properties. Merrow made a motion to deny this request. Maloney seconded. A unanimous vote was taken. Mr. Varney also asked for a Veteran's Tax Credit. He was told that he must be a year round resident on the property he is applying for.

An abatement request was received from Frank & Kathleen Licata for property located at 2 South Shore Rd. Map 37 Lot 32. After review of the property the assessment was found to be in line with other properties. Merrow made a motion to deny this request. Maloney seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

An abatement request was received from Douglas VanDyke for property located at 49 Chickville Rd. Map 13 Lot 185. After review of the property the assessment was lowered due to the removal of an above ground pool. The assessment was lowered by \$1,500.00. Merrow made a motion to approve this request. Maloney seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

Merrow announced that the Board is notifying MRI that they will be available on April 20th or April 22nd to hold the meeting to discuss the Fire Dept. Merger Survey.

Maloney reported that with the help of many others she was able to send 2098 Easter eggs to our troops in Afghanistan.

Leavitt reported that he attended the Main Street Economic Fair on Saturday and felt they did a terrific job.

Brad Harriman, Public Works Director, reported that a few weeks ago we met with Rokeh Consulting LLC and granted permission to his company to repair, upgrade, and use the one end of Hanson Rd. Harriman stated that it has come to his attention that he had made an agreement with the Planning Board that Hanson Road would not be used by the pit traffic. Harriman will get in touch with Mr. Rokeh and discuss this with him. He will report back to the Selectmen.

Being no further business the Public Input portion of the meeting was opened.

Kevin Houle asked if Hanson Rd. is a dead-end road. He was told that it is a Class V to the Bennett property and Class VI after Goldsmith Rd. to Chickville Rd.

Houle asked if the public hearing for South Shore Rd. is tonight. He was told yes.

Houle asked the status of the Danforth court case. Merrow told him they would not discuss this case while it is still pending.

Vinnie Vaccaro, member of Tritech, informed the Board that the plans are proceeding and the White Lake Park event is scheduled for September 25, 2010. The roads scheduled to be used are Routes 16 & 25. Vaccaro has checked with the Police Department and they are all set with the event and will be patrolling. The Board is in agreement with the event and thanked Vaccaro for keeping them informed with the status.

Elizabeth Gillette asked if the Board had reviewed the Draft Management Plan for milfoil treatment. Merrow said he has reviewed it and has questions, but the plan is at home. Maloney reported that she had only read the plan once and would like to review again before commenting. Leavitt stated that he would be ready to discuss this next week.

Houle asked if the cop's car parked outback is going to be auctioned. Eldridge said the ad has already been sent to the newspapers.

Houle asked what the contract with Paul King is for. Merrow stated the perambulation of town lines with Tuftonboro needs to be done. The towns agreed to split the cost, \$3,000.00 each.

Chester "Ski" Kwiatkowski asked if the town lines change, would taxes increase? Merrow said they could increase or decrease depending on which town gained land.

David Babson addressed the Board and stated that he thinks the sign at Tractor Supply is huge and asked who approved this. The Board told him they would check with Dave Senecal to see if it meets the requirements. Attendee at the meeting felt the sign was standard and looks like what is used at all Tractor Supply Stores.

Merrow made a motion to recess until 5:00 PM. Maloney seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The meeting reconvened and Leona Simon addressed the Board. Simon stated that she thought the last energy audits produced good results. She feels we should proceed with the other town buildings.

Maloney stated that Ray Wright had done the energy audit for the library and the recommended work has been completed.

Merrow asked Simon how much she would charge to do the other town buildings. Simon said this would be free. She has no intention of charging for any of the audits. The Board stated that Harriman has been working on the grant application and is pretty familiar with the buildings. Harriman stated that he would like to sit down with Simon and thinks they can work well together.

Some of the buildings needing to be audited are: OCC, W&S office building, Police Dept., Recreation building, Freight House, Incinerator building.

Simon asked to have a spreadsheet done in order to show the before and after.

Maloney stated that they have a Kilowatt Energy Monitor that has been loaned to us by the Library. There are four available and can be loaned to residents for their use.

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

Adjourned at 5:15 PM.

Harry C. Merrow, Chairman

E. Morton Leavitt

Kathleen M. Maloney

To be approved 3/29/10