

## Selectmen's Meeting

01/09/12

Chairman E. Morton Leavitt called the meeting to order at 4:20 PM. Present were: E. Morton Leavitt, Kathleen M. Maloney, Harry C. Merrow, and Martha B. Eldridge, Town Administrator, who recorded the minutes.

Maloney made a motion to approve the minutes of the Selectmen's Meeting held on December 19, 2011. Leavitt seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Board received a letter of resignation from Robert Gillette. Gillette served as the Chairman for the Whittier Covered Bridge Committee. The Board thanked Gillette for his services and accepted his resignation.

A Use of Facility contract was received from the Rodney A. White, Sr. V.F.W. Post #8270 & Auxiliary to hold a Valentine's Dance on Feb. 11<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM in the gym. Leavitt made a motion to approve and sign this contract. Maloney seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

An Outdoor Event Application was received from the Sunny Villa Restaurant to hold Vintage Snowmobile Races on Jan. 8<sup>th</sup> and on Sundays thru the winter. Leavitt made a motion to approve and sign this application. Maloney seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

A Timber Tax Warrant in the amount of \$72.25 was submitted for review and approval. Leavitt made a motion to approve and sign this warrant. Maloney seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

A Timber Tax Warrant in the amount of \$4,389.35 was submitted for review and approval. Leavitt made a motion to approve and sign this warrant. Maloney seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Highway Department's work logs for the past three weeks were submitted. (12/19/11 thru 1/06/12)

An Intent to Cut was received from Robert Pope to cut 30 acres of a 56 acre parcel of land located on Pine Hill Rd. Map 55 Lots 3 & 4. The logger listed is Lance Williams. Leavitt made a motion to approve and sign this intent. Merrow seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

A letter appointing Kellie Skehan, Town Clerk/Tax Collector, Patricia A. Hodge, Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector, and Tracy Cragin, Assistant as Boat Agents for the Town of Ossipee was submitted for signatures. Leavitt made a motion to sign this letter of appointment. Maloney seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

A letter appointing Barry Rollins dba Ward's Boat Shop to the position of Boat Agent was submitted. Leavitt made a motion to appoint Barry Rollins as a Boat Agent for the Town of Ossipee. Maloney seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Board received a notice from NH DES of a complaint from Karen Nardella in reference to an outdoor wood-fired hydronic heater. After viewing the site they saw no way to stop the operation.

A Supplemental Tax Warrant in the amount of \$138.00 was received and reviewed. Leavitt made a motion to approve and sign this warrant. Maloney seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

A Supplemental Tax Warrant in the amount of \$664.00 was received and reviewed. Leavitt made a motion to approve and sign this warrant. Maloney seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

A Supplemental Tax Warrant in the amount of \$216.00 was received and reviewed. Leavitt made a motion to approve and sign this warrant. Maloney seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

An abatement request was received for property located at 48 Lovell River Rd. Leavitt made a motion to approve and sign this abatement. Maloney seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

An abatement request was received for property located at 126 Puritan Lane. Leavitt made a motion to approve and sign this abatement. Maloney seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

An abatement request was received for property located at 7 O'Hare Drive. Leavitt made a motion to approve and sign this abatement. Maloney seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

An abatement request was received for property located on Roland Park Road. Leavitt made a motion to approve and sign this abatement. Maloney seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Board received an update from Time Warner Cable TV.

The Board received a Notice of Public Hearing from the Zoning Board of Adjustment in Tamworth to be held on Jan. 10, 2012 at 7:00 PM, concerning a request for a Special Exception for height when using ground-mounted facilities.

The Board received a copy of a check from the State of NH in the amount of \$24,815.24. This was for reimbursement for damages and repair after Hurricane Irene.

The Board received a copy of a check from Northeast Resources Recovery Association in the amount of \$1,315.53. This was for reimbursement for recycling goods.

The Board received a "Report to the People of District One" and a schedule from Executive Councilor Ray Burton.

The Board received a copy of the 2011 Annual Groundwater Monitoring Summary Report for the Town of Ossipee for the property formerly Johnson & Dix Bulk Facility.

Merrow asked Harriman the status of the sidewalks. Harriman reported that White Mountain Survey has finished the cost estimate and the quote to do the survey work is done.

Maloney reported that there was a problem with the water and sewer line on Saturday, the 7<sup>th</sup> of Jan. and no one could be reached from the Water & Sewer Dept. Maloney expressed concern for the business owners that weren't notified. The Board agreed that although they have no authority over the Water & Sewer Dept. they feel the parties to be affected should be notified.

Merrow asked Eldridge to write to Kevin Straughan and remind him that the building at 40 Route 16B is expected to be down no later than 2-01-12.

Merrow asked about the sign at the old P B & J's store. He asked if a permit has been granted. Eldridge stated that she knew it has been discussed with David Senecal, Zoning Enforcement Officer. Merrow asked that she check with Senecal to see if a permit has been granted.

Maloney reported that she participated in the on-line training for Elections. She stated that she would be here tomorrow for the opening ceremonies for the primaries.

Merrow expressed concern that people have been bringing their dogs into the ballfield at Constitution Park. They are not cleaning up after their dogs and it is creating a problem. Eldridge was asked to contact Peter Waugh and inform him of this and be sure that the gate is locked.

Merrow stated that he was approached by a citizen and asked how the plow truck got damaged and he didn't know about any damage. He asked that Harriman inform him any time an incident like this takes place. Harriman assured him he would.

Leavitt stated that he is actively contacting health insurance companies seeking another alternative to the employee's health insurance.

Leavitt announced that he will not be seeking another term as Selectman.

The Cemetery Budget was discussed in the amount of \$20,764.00. Leavitt stated that he could not support this budget until the employee's rate of pay is increased to \$15.00. Merrow stated that whatever the Town approves for this budget, it is still up to the Trustees as to where to spend it. Leavitt is going to suggest that all the trustees meet to discuss this budget. Merrow and Maloney agreed with him. No vote was taken.

The Insurance (Property-liability, unemployment, & Worker's Compensation) Budget was presented in the amount of \$119,890.00. Merrow made a motion to recommend this amount. Maloney seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Ambulance Service Budget was presented in the amount of \$199,992.00 for 2012. Leavitt stated that is in line with the three (3) year contract. Leavitt made a motion to recommend this amount. Merrow seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The business portion of the meeting was closed and the meeting was opened up to Public Input.

Chester "Ski" Kwiatkowski asked where the "blue lights" for the Christmas decorations for the target area for Main Street are. Merrow stated that they are in the Main Street building.

Leavitt stated that the "Farmer's Market" will be held on Route 16 this year. Tramway Market Place has granted permission for it to be held on his property this summer.

Kwiatkowski asked if they had found out where the missing R/R crossing signs went to. Merrow said the Dept. of Safety has them.

Kwiatkowski stated that at the end of Annie Nichols Rd. the burned camper trailer is gone, a mess still remains. Merrow stated that he thinks when the across the road neighbors return from Florida it should be cleaned up.

Kwiatkowski expressed concern that at Sunny Villa they have two "OPEN" flashing lights. They are against the sign ordinance. Eldridge will talk to Dave Senecal about this when he returns on Thursday.

Kwiatkowski stated two of the employees at the Water & Sewer take vehicles home for the weekend and they should have been available this past weekend.

Melissa Seamans asked if they would be checking on the building on James Terrace to see if it has been cleaned up from a fire. Merrow stated that this has been turned over to the attorney. Merrow asked Eldridge to check with the attorney.

Maloney made a motion to adjourn. Leavitt seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

Adjourned at 5:10 PM

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E. Morton Leavitt, Chairman

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Kathleen M. Maloney

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Harry C. Merrow  
To be approved 01/23/12