

## **Selectmen's Meeting**

**Monday, March 6, 2017**

These minutes were recorded by Laura Nash, Boards & Commission Secretary in the absence of Ellen White, Town Administrator.

### **Call to Order:**

Selectman Riley called the meeting to order at 4:15 PM.

Riley opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Attendance by Roll Call:**

Present were Selectmen Franklin Riley, Richard Morgan and Robert Freeman.

Absent was Ellen White, Town Administrator.

### **Additional Attendee's:**

Present were Brad Harriman - Public Works Director, Bo Eldridge – Water & Sewer Superintendent, Bill Eldridge, Ed Comeau, Connie Billings, Dallas Emery, and Ash Fischbein.

### **Public Input:**

None

### **Meeting Minutes:**

The Selectmen minutes from 02/27/2017 were reviewed for approval.

Riley made a motion to approve the Selectmen's Minutes from 02/27/2017 as printed. Freeman seconded.

With no further discussion. A unanimous vote was taken.

### **Accounts Payable & Payroll Manifests:**

The Payroll Voucher was submitted for the week ending 03/04/2017 in the amount of \$133,931.57. The Payroll Batch Total was submitted for week ending 02/25/2017 in the amount of \$28,029.93. The Accounts Payable Voucher total for the week ending 03/04/2017 was in the amount of \$161,961.50. Riley made a motion to approve and sign the check voucher. Freeman seconded. With no discussion. A unanimous vote was taken.

### **Review of Red Folder:**

Intent to Cut: Jonathan Rivers, Route 16 & 16B. Tax Map: 73 Lot: 29/27/25. To cut 4 acres of unknown amount of lot. By Richard Buswell. Riley made a motion to approve. Freeman seconded. No discussion. A unanimous vote was taken.

NH DRED: Notice of Timber Harvest from 105 acres of the Pine River State Forest and will be offering this sale for public bidding in summer of 2017.

**Abatements:**

Birchwood Trust c/o Peter G. Hastings Trustee, 2350 Route 16. Tax Map: 009 Lot: 010. Request for Abatement of \$317.67. The reason for requesting the abatement is because a new structure was put on the property for 2016. And asserts the value assessed is high for the type of structure. It is a modular classroom originally built in 1979. Tax Assessor did a complete inspection recommends granting. Additionally a billboard was added which was not previously addressed. Riley made a motion to approve. Freeman seconded. No discussion. A unanimous vote was taken.

Riley stated the Selectmen are trying to catch up with the campgrounds and RV's not registered for road travel is subject to taxation at the Town level.

Mark and Beth Rouillard, 1 Terrace Pines Rd. Tax Map: 104 Lot: 1400H Sub 014. Request for Abatement of \$175.56. The reason requesting the abatement is because their unit was registered as a recreational vehicle for 2016. Tax Assessor recommends granting. Taxpayers did produced a valid registration for this unit. Therefore, in accordance with RSA 72:7-d I (a) this property is exempt from real-estate taxes. However, there are some yard items which are not exempt that will remain on the property assessment. Riley made a motion to approve. Freeman seconded. No discussion. A unanimous vote was taken.

Tom Haas, 115 Newman Drew Rd. Tax Map: 017 Lot: 001 Sub C18. Request for Abatement of \$321.99. The reason requesting the abatement is because their RV unit held a valid registration as of April 1 2016. Tax Assessor recommends granting. Taxpayers did produced a valid registration for this unit. However, there is deck which is not exempt that will remain on the property assessment. Riley made a motion to approve. Freeman seconded. No discussion. A unanimous vote was taken.

Chuck & Maureen McCarte, 140 Newman Drew Rd. Tax Map: 017 Lot: 014 Sub P16. Request for Abatement of \$79.96. The reason requesting the abatement is because their RV unit held a valid registration as of April 1 2016. Tax Assessor recommends granting. Taxpayers did produced a valid registration for this unit. However, there is screen house which is not exempt that will remain on the property assessment. Riley made a motion to approve. Freeman seconded. No discussion. A unanimous vote was taken.

Joe & Charlene Medeiros, 700 Route 16. Tax Map: 130 Lot: 012 Sub: 041. Request for Abatement of \$128.51. The reason requesting the abatement is because the RV held a valid registration for 2016. Due to this, the RV is not subject to the real-estate property tax in accordance with RSA 72:7 – d. However, there is deck which is not exempt that will remain on the property assessment. Riley made a motion to approve. Freeman seconded. No discussion. A unanimous vote was taken.

Mary Ann Metz, 110 Nichols Rd. Tax Map: 029 Lot: 001 Sub: E40. Request for Abatement of \$168.56. The taxpayer is requesting the abatement for the 2016 assessment on her RV located in Beaver Hollow campground. Because she has unsuccessfully tried to sell this for \$4,500.00. Additionally, she has supplied the Kelly Blue Book value estimates to support her value. Tax Assessor agrees and recommends granting. Riley made a motion to approve. Freeman seconded. No discussion. A unanimous vote was taken.

Highway Department Work Log for week 02/26/2017 to 03/4/2017 is available for those interested. Riley thanked the men for an excellent job on the roads. Morgan inquired about the budget impact is at this point.

Harriman commented about \$40,000 spent on salt, out of \$48,000 budgeted and believes the Town should be all set even if a couple of small loads are needed in the fall.

Letter received from Charter Communications with 4<sup>th</sup> quarter Franchise Fee payment of \$6,472.46 received from the cable company.

Contract Use of Facilities Request by Kimmi Adjutant for a Bridal Shower. Contact person is Kimmi Adjutant. Requesting to use Bud Avery Memorial Gymnasium on May 13, 2017 from 12 – 8:00 PM along with tables and chairs. Riley made a motion to approve. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

Notice the Town will be testing the ACCU Vote Machine on March 7, 2017 at 11:00 AM in the Town Clerk's Office for Town Elections to be held on March 14, 2017.

Received check from the State of NH Highway Grant in the amount of \$35,259.87.

Petition and Pole License from Eversource Energy for one (1) pole, 218/16Z located on Effingham Road in the Town of Ossipee. Riley made a motion to approve. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

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Notice of Decision from the ZBA for a Variance **GRANTED** for Case#17-2-V for Stephen Ingham 58 Ridge Rd. Tax Map: 35 Lot: 8 from Article VI, Section 6.4.2. (a), of the Ossipee Zoning Ordinance to build a 26 X 44 square foot home with a 2 x 20 foot bump-out, 13 feet from the west boundary and 13.5 feet from the easterly boundary. **Condition of Approval** is to stake out all (4) corners to meet setbacks and pin ends to have Zoning Enforcement Officer do a follow up check. Owner must comply with all Federal, State, and Local Regulations.

Harriman submitted two copies of Landfill Post-Closure Monitoring Contract from Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. to conduct the post closure monitoring and inspection on the Ossipee Landfill at the Transfer Station for 2017 and to renew the Ground Water Permit which expires on March 17, 2017. The cost for the scope of the work is \$4,650.00. The attached cover letter also explains a new requirement by DES for testing for PFC's but Stantec suggests waiting until 2018 to conduct these test. Morgan questioned how much longer does the Town need to keep renewing these contracts. Harriman was not sure but will check into it. Riley made a motion to approve. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

Recycling Center Daily Cash Log for February 2017 for a total in the amount of \$1,284.65.

Letter from NHDOT with schedule of Proposed Resurfacing Program for CY 2017. In Ossipee NHDOT will be paving Route 28 for 1.4 miles with ¾ inch Paver Shim from Wolfeboro/Ossipee town line northerly to NH Route 171.

### **Review of Water & Sewer Red Folder:**

Water & Sewer Department Expense for approval w/e 3/3/2017 for Payroll/includes retirement, Sewer - Electric, Sewer - Health Insurance, Sewer – School & Seminar, Sewer – System Maintenance, Water – Electric, Water – Health Insurance, Water School & Seminar, Water - System Maintenance and Water - Telephone for Total Expense = \$6,002.77. Riley made a motion to approve and sign the check voucher. Freeman seconded. No discussion. A unanimous vote was taken.

**Old Business:**

Intersection of Routes 28 & 171 – Status quo.

Intersection of Routes 16 & 25 & 28 – Status quo.

Hazardous & Dilapidated Buildings – No change waiting on a court date. Riley to contact attorney on 3/7/2017.

9 Dorr’s Corner Road – Moving forward

Recreation Committee - Status quo

Highway Dept. - Training & Licensing – Harriman and Eldridge are discussing and working on.

Water/Sewer Dept. – Training & Licensing – Harriman and Eldridge are discussing. The Selectmen welcomed back Jimmy Champagne back to work.

**New Business:**

Harriman gave an update on the Covered Bridge project which included meeting with Coyle & Tanner, NHDOT, and Cultural Recourses of the EPA and NHDES for Wetland permits for the next phase. Because it requires a Tier 3 permit for crossing it has to have mitigation (which either creating a wetland equal to the size being disturbed or payment to them for creating wetlands somewhere else.) Harriman researched similar projects and there no mention of mitigation with Tier 3 projects but has supplied the information to Coyle & Tanner. Coyle & Tanner are to address the issue with NHDES because this is new information to them as well. NHDOT gave Coyle & Tanner the approval to complete the phase 2 designs and within a week and a half, Harriman had the designs. Project is pending Wetland Permit at this point.

Harriman also commented on a request from Windsock Village wanting the Town to remove a tree that fell across the road on property owned by the Town.

**Public Input:**

Fischbein asked about the Longo Property. Riley explained the status and will keep Greg Howard informed.

**Non-Public Session:**

None

**Any Other Business Which May Come Before This Meeting:**

None

**Other Meetings:**

**Tues., 3/14/2017 - Town Elections (Voting Day) Polls open: 10:00am - 7:00pm**

**Wed., 3/15/2017 6:30 PM – Ossipee Annual Town Meeting at the Bud Avery Memorial Gymnasium**

The next meeting will be scheduled on Monday, March 13, 2017 at 4:15 PM

Riley called for any further discussion. With no discussion.

**Adjournment:**

Riley made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken. Adjourned at 4:41 PM

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Franklin R. Riley, Chairman

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Robert C. Freeman

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Richard H. Morgan