

**Selectmen's Meeting
Monday, March 21, 2016**

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

Riley opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Riley made a motion to approve the minutes from the Selectmen's Meeting held on 3/14/2016. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

Riley made a motion to approve the minutes from the Selectmen's Department Head Meeting & Workshop held on 3/14/2016. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Payroll Voucher was submitted for the week ending 3/19/2016 in the amount of \$38,507.10. Riley made a motion to approve and sign the voucher. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Accounts Payable Voucher was submitted for the week ending 3/12/2016 in the amount of \$31,763.23. Riley made a motion to approve and sign the voucher. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken. Riley commented that the Board reviews each and every invoice prior to approving the manifest totals.

An Excavation Tax Warrant in the amount of \$32.80 was presented for signatures. Riley made a motion to approve and sign the warrant. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Board received a copy of a letter addressed to the NH Bureau of Planning & Community Assistance from Public Works Director Brad Harriman informing them that the required one lane bridge signs have been installed at the Archers Pond Road Bridge over Beech River to be in compliance with the Bureau's recommended posting.

The Highway Department Work Log was submitted for the week ending 3/19/2016.

The Board received a memo from Harriman informing them that the Transfer Station employees have been separating out various metals including copper, brass, aluminum and wire. The metals were recently turned in at North Country Recycling and yielded a return of \$47/ton (\$851.78) in comparison to the \$24/ton rate (\$50.00) if the metals were hauled out with the rest of the scrap metal. Harriman stated that he will be looking into obtaining a separate container for storage of these metals. The Board requested a thank you letter be sent to the Transfer Station employees.

The Board received a copy of the Landfill Post-Closure Inspection Report performed by Stantec Consulting Services Inc. Harriman reviewed the report stating that the cap is in good shape and all of the gases are within the limits they should be.

The contract with Bauen Corporation for the construction of the Highway Garage Addition was presented for signatures. Following discussion, Riley made a motion to forward the contract to Attorney Sager for his review prior to signing the document. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

A Request to the Trustees of Trust Funds for the withdrawal of \$2,134.00 from the Bridge Replacement and/or Repair Expendable Trust Fund for the reimbursement of payments made on the Valley Road Bridge was presented for signatures. Riley made a motion to sign the request. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

An Outdoor Event Application was submitted by the Open Door Bible Church for a series of concerts to be held Sunday evenings in July. Previously reviewed and approved by all departments, Riley made a motion to approve the application. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

Two Applications for Current Use were submitted by the Marusek Family Trust. The first is to put 1.6 acres of Map 61, Lot 40 into Current Use Assessment, and the second is for 3.95 acres of Map 61, Lot 32. Previously approved by the Assessor, Riley made a motion to approve the applications. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

A Request for an Abatement was received from John P. and Susan M. Hood for the property located on Map 32, Lot 3. The Assessor recommends a reduction in value of \$25,900 resulting in a refund of \$514.89 for a condition reduction in land and building for the source of the domestic water supply. Riley made a motion to grant the abatement. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

A Request for an Abatement was received from 85 Pequawket Trail Realty LLC for the boat slips located on Map 46, Lot 2, Sub Lots BS44, BS52, and BS60. The Assessor recommends a reduction in value of \$6,700 (BS44), \$6,700 (BS 52), and \$4,100 (BS60) resulting in a total refund of \$347.90 for an adjustment in value due to the limited size of watercraft the boat slips can accept. Riley made a motion to grant the abatement. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

An Application for Current Use was received from Michael & Judith Glick for the property located on Map 215, Lot 9. The application is to put 9.8 acres into Current Use Assessment. Previously approved by the Assessor, Riley made a motion to approve the application. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

An Application for Current Use was received from Michael & Judith Glick for the property located on Map 215, Lot 8. The application is to put 9.2 acres into Current Use Assessment. Previously approved by the Assessor, Riley made a motion to approve the application. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

An Intent to Excavate was received from Downey Shea for the property located on Map 243, Lot 2. The intent is to excavate a total of 10,000 cubic yards of earth and the taxes are paid. Riley made a motion approve the intent. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken. Riley requested that a copy of the intent be forwarded to the Planning Board.

The NH Highway Safety Grant Application for sobriety patrols was presented for signatures. Riley made a motion to sign the grant application. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The loan documents for the Tax Anticipation Note were presented for signatures. Riley stated that the Town has been approved to borrow \$2.5 million at a rate of 1.3%. White confirmed that Attorney Sager has reviewed the documents and given his approval to execute them. Riley made a motion to sign the documents. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Board received a copy of a Notice of Decision from the Zoning Board of Adjustment regarding a Special Exception that was granted for the expansion of Westward Shores Lakeside Camping Resort, Map 23, Lot 6.

The cable programming updates were received from Time Warner Cable.

Old Business:

Whittier Covered Bridge – Riley announced that the Board attended a meeting earlier with Hoyle, Tanner & Associates to resolve open issues and prepare for moving onto the next phase of the project. Harriman stated that Federal Highway Funds are scheduled to be released in April which will allow Phase III to begin.

Highway Garage Addition – Riley stated that the contract will be forwarded to the Town Attorney for review. The addition is anticipated to be completed in August. Phil Custeau questioned if any incentives or rebates such as lighting have been researched. Harriman responded that they have not but Ossipee Elementary School has donated light fixtures which are a match to what is existing in the garage. Custeau also questioned if radiant floor heat was considered. Harriman responded that it was not, in an effort to keep the cost down. Riley commented that it would not work well with the trucks often coming in frozen.

Intersection of Routes 171 & 28 – Nothing new to report.

New Business:

Bub Avery Memorial Gymnasium Flooring – Harriman stated that he will be reaching out to the companies referred by Bauen Corporation to obtain recommendations and quotes for the floor's replacement.

Morgan questioned State Representative Ed Comeau of the rate for the County's Tax Anticipation Note. Comeau responded that it is around 2.5%. Morgan pointed out that the Town's is 1.3%.

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

Public Input:

Comeau questioned the purpose of the grant funds applied for. Morgan responded that it is a Highway Safety Grant for sobriety patrols.

Comeau reviewed the conceptual presentation discussed at the six hour Delegation Meeting earlier in the day. The proposal is to create the Carroll County Cooperative Extension Learning Center. Comeau reviewed the services to be provided including a culinary academy, community gardens, technical learning center, and educational rehabilitation for inmates. Morgan spoke in opposition to programs made available to the inmates but not to the rest of the public. Riley questioned if the Cooperative Extension would be relocating from Conway to Ossipee. Comeau responded that it would be a responsibility. Comeau encouraged people to attend the meetings and provide feedback. Morgan questioned if there will be a cost savings in closing the County Farm to transition to this type of facility. Comeau was unable to provide comment. Julie Rosiak questioned what happened to the proposal for a homeless veteran's shelter in the old nursing home facility. Riley responded that there was an issue with the financial responsibility being placed on the Town. And also with the location being in a remote area with little access to shopping, jobs and activities, in addition to having no public transportation.

Comeau stated that all County meetings are video recorded and he is encouraging they take place on Saturdays to encourage more attendance. Morgan commented that an agenda would be a helpful resource. Comeau stated that improvements are continuously being made with the new County Administrator and Finance Administrators in place.

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

Adjourned at 5:01 PM.

Franklin R. Riley, Chairman

Robert C. Freeman

Richard H. Morgan

To be approved 3/28/2016