

**Selectmen's Meeting
Monday, August 14, 2017**

These minutes were recorded by Ellen White, Town Administrator.

Call to Order:

Chairman Morgan called the meeting to order at 4:15 PM.

Morgan opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Attendance by Roll Call:

Present were Selectmen Richard Morgan, Robert Freeman, and Sandra Martin.

Public Input:

None presented.

Meeting Minutes:

Morgan stated that a non-public session was held earlier pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II (c) for a tax matter. Morgan made a motion to seal the minutes from the Non-Public Session held to protect the reputation of the persons involved. Martin seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

Morgan made a motion to accept the minutes from the Selectmen's Work Session & Non-Public Session held on 8/7/2017. Martin seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

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Accounts Payable & Payroll Manifests:

The Payroll Voucher was submitted for the week ending 8/12/2017 in the amount of \$96,300.92. The Accounts Payable Voucher total for the week ending 8/5/2017 was in the amount of \$112,151.31. The Water & Sewer Accounts Payable Voucher total for the week ending 8/5/2017 was in the amount of \$45,841.34. Morgan made a motion to approve and sign the check vouchers. Martin seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

Review of Red Folder:

The Highway Department Work Log was received for the week ending 8/12/2017.

The Board received a memo from Brad Harriman, Public Works Director, along with a draft copy of a letter from the Lakes Region Planning Commission written in support of the construction of a roundabout at the intersection of Routes 28 & 171. Harriman requested any further comment from the Selectmen that could be incorporated into the letter for issuance at tonight's presentation by the NH DOT.

The Board received a letter from the NH DOT and NH DRA regarding the funds distributed under SB-38. The letters provide answers to commonly asked questions including the process in how the money is to be accepted and expended.

A Cemetery Deed for a new lot created in the Water Village Cemetery through a boundary line adjustment completed by Franklin & Cheryl Riley was presented for signatures. White commented that the cemetery lot was created and the recipient of said lot was specified in the deed. Morgan made a motion to sign the cemetery deed. Martin seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

An Intent to Cut Timber was received from David & Winifred Mitchell for the parcel of land located on Map 57, Lot 2. The logger listed is Perley Ryder; the taxes are paid and there is no cemetery noted. Morgan made a motion to approve the intent. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

A Timber Tax Warrant in the amount of \$213.00 was presented for signatures. Morgan made a motion to approve and sign the warrant. Martin seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Board received a letter from Senator Jeb Bradley acknowledging he had been contacted by a citizen with concern for the lack of public restrooms available at the Town's Transfer Station.

The Board received a letter from a resident with his concern of people bypassing the scale at the Transfer Station when an attendant is not present at the scale house. Harriman stated that he and Transfer Station Supervisor Brewster Vittum have received the same letter and a response is forthcoming. Morgan stated that three people need to be on duty during the weekend and suggested the use of the floating position or others to fill in and maintain three people on duty. Harriman responded that a recent change made is that no baling will occur when only 2 people are on duty and baling will take place on less busy days so the staff is available to attend to the scales.

The Board received a letter from the Planning Board requesting they seek bids for landscaping and removal of a travel trailer located in the old Morse Pit on Route 28 as part of the reclamation. Morgan suggested tabling the request further until after Tuesday's Planning Board meeting.

The Board received a Notice of Decision from the ZBA for the denial of an Administrative Appeal filed on a Motion for Rehearing on the case of Alexander Bakman.

The Board received a letter from FEMA regarding the Winnepesaukee Watershed Risk Mapping Assessment and Planning Program. Morgan questioned why Ossipee was copied on the correspondence as it is not part of the Winnepesaukee Watershed and requested White to reach out to FEMA for clarification.

The Board received a copy of a letter sent to Police Chief Eldridge thanking the Police Department for providing extra patrols at the White Pond Boat Ramp which has resulted in less problems.

Water & Sewer Red Folder:

A Request for the Reimbursement of Payroll Expenses in the amount of \$3,484.02 for the week ending 8/12/2017 was presented for signatures. Morgan made a motion to sign the request. Martin seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

Old Business:

Water & Sewer Department Rules & Regulations – Revisions are still being made to the document. Tabled.

New Business:

Barry Knight questioned when the couch at the corner of Youngs Road and Browns Ridge Road will be taken care of. Harriman responded that he will take care of it this week.

Morgan discussed the response received to his question asked at the School Board meeting last week which was whether the District is doing enough with drug education. Morgan stated the response was unsatisfactory and reiterated that there needs to be appropriate levels of prevention, education and treatment to be effective. Morgan stated the Superintendent's response was that the school is concentrating on the parents to provide

direction. Morgan stated that the schools are not doing enough if we are continuing to bury children. Morgan encouraged everyone to watch the meeting.

This concluded the business portion of the meeting and Morgan re-opened the meeting to Public Input.

Public Input #2:

Knight provided additional comment on the drug issue. Morgan discussed the difference between marijuana of the past and the danger of the heroin and carphentanyl being produced today.

Non-Public Session:

Morgan polled the Board for a non-public session under RSA 91-A:3, II (d) for an acquisition at 4:38 PM. Roll call vote was taken. Martin answered yes, Freeman answered yes, and Morgan answered yes. Morgan made a motion to adjourn the non-public session at 4:43 PM. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

Morgan made a motion to return to public session at 4:44 PM. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

Morgan made a motion to seal the minutes from the non-public session to not render a proposed action ineffective. Freeman seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

Freeman questioned if any improvements had been made to Moultonville Road in the area of the new retainer wall. Harriman responded that Foreman Bill Eldridge had added gravel to the shoulder but he was not sure if that solved the issue or not.

Martin questioned the road construction occurring on Thurley Road. Harriman responded that they were completing repairs to the culverts.

Morgan reminded all that a Public Hearing is scheduled for Monday, August 21, 2017 at 5:00 PM on SB-38 for the acceptance of additional Highway Block Grant funds received. Ash Fischbein questioned what the funds were for. Morgan briefly reviewed SB-38 and the proposed projects to be completed with the funds.

Fischbein questioned the status of the Whittier Covered Bridge. Harriman responded that it is still awaiting approval of the final design stage before the work goes out to bid late summer/early fall. Although some work may occur this year, the bulk of it will take place in 2018.

A Request for an Abatement was received for the property owned by Agape Ministries Servants, Inc. located on Map 38, Lot 5. The request is for an abatement/refund in the amount of \$1,051.00 to exempt the chapel portion of the building's assessment for tax year 2014. Morgan made a motion to approve the request. Martin seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

A Request for an Abatement was received for the property owned by Agape Ministries Servants, Inc. located on Map 38, Lot 5. The request is for an abatement/refund in the amount of \$2,368.00 to exempt the chapel and food pantry portion of the building's assessment for tax year 2015. Morgan made a motion to approve the request. Martin seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

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and food pantry portions of the building's assessment for tax year 2016. Morgan made a motion to approve the request. Martin seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

Wayne "Bo" Eldridge, Water & Sewer Superintendent, reported that notices requesting the scheduling of the water meter replacements will be going out this week. He further stated the replacements will start in September.

Fischbein questioned when the water line is scheduled to be replaced. Eldridge responded that it will be after Labor Day as it will require the Mill Pond water level to be drawn down. Fischbein stated that docks are left in until late September. Eldridge confirmed that notices will be mailed to affected property owners.

The next meeting will take place on Monday, August 21, 2017 at 4:15 PM.

Adjournment:

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

Adjourned at 4:51 PM.

Richard H. Morgan, Chairman

Robert C. Freeman

Sandra P. Martin

To be approved 8/21/2017