

## SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES

August 14, 2017

The meeting opened at 7:00 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Attendees included Margo Santoro, Selectperson, Christopher Madden, Chairman of Selectman, Charles Fosberry, Selectman, James Coffey, Town Administrator, Harry Power, Compliance Officer and Patricia Putnam, Administrative Assistant. Several members of the public were in attendance.

### APPOINTMENTS:

7:00 Harry Power –

1. Tax Map # 115, Lot # 30 Jason & Jaclyn Hastings, 252 South Hidden Lake Road, shed – approved.
2. Tax Map # 419, Lot # 8.2 Bruce Beaulieu, 281 Juniper Hill Road, garage – approved.
3. Casey Hayes was sent a letter on August 1st requesting permission to make a site visit but Harry had not had any response to date.
4. Richard Sears send a letter, with a picture, reporting that Casey Hayes has stockpiled junk about 10 feet from the Sears' property line, fully visible from their kitchen window, including a car, without an inspection sticker, appearing to block the junk from view on the road.
5. Harry Power read a letter he sent to Mr. Mooney, requesting a site visit but has had no response to agree to the visit. Mr. Mooney did call Harry and stated that he was selling out and leaving the area. Harry Power reported that a prior site visit showed oil soaked ground around a vehicle repair building. Harry Power, Jim Coffey and Chris Madden will make the site visit when it is approved.

7:15 Linda Clark – Linda Clark passed out town reports and a folder of documents to each selectman. She included "What Town Clerks do", Town Clerk Rules & Procedures and copies of budget sheets from 2016-2017 & July, 2017 showing the new budget for her department. There was a detailed discussion on Payroll for her staff members. The Board members will institute a research project to gather information on various towns' staff compensation and benefit packages.

### SELECTMEN'S COMMENTS:

1. Chris Madden reported that the Planning Board wants to meet with the Zoning Board of Adjustment and Atty. Matt Serge. The board thought it was a good idea.
2. Chris Madden reported that the Planning Board has a letter from Richard Sears stating his concern that the west side of Shedd Hill Road between the Lakeside District and Shedd Hill Road, between Walker Road and Harper Road should be reclassified as Residential to prevent Industrial and Commercial Development. Jim Coffey said that a warrant article would be needed, that goes to the town meeting for a vote, is the only way to change any zoning.
3. Margo Santoro noted that the board has to respond to Ben Wilder's comments on Home Occupations.

### SIGNED/APPROVED:

1. BOS Board Meeting Minutes of July 31.
2. Intercept Agreement between City of Keene and Town of Stoddard
3. Notice of Intent to cut Wood or Timber
4. Primex Labor Law Poster/Notice
5. Request to use Stoddard Town Hall from 6-7pm on Wednesdays for yoga.
6. Accounts Payable Manifest
7. Payroll Manifest

## PUBLIC QUESTIONS & COMMENTS:

1. Dean Huber asked about the burned out light at the Fire Station – Jim Coffey said the replacement light project is starting next week.
2. Doug Summerton asked about the road study. There have been several sets of strips installed to collect speeding information. The state leaves the strips down for 3 days. There was concern that the strips were not placed where the Planning Board expected them to be.

## OLD BUSINESS:

1. Letter from DES to Merriewoode Village, Inc. Letter is requesting sewer system information. Jim Coffey read the letter and said that an inspector was out to the property last week. He is awaiting that inspector's response. Jim Coffey did report that there are no records in the town's files on the septic system or water installations.
2. Letter from Harry Power to Mr. Warren Mooney. – see above under Harry Power
3. Letter from Harry Power to Mr. Casey Hayes. – see above under Harry Power
4. Copy of letter from Richard T. Sears to Harry Power regarding Casey Hayes junkyard complaint. – see above under Harry Power
5. Approved Notice of Decision, Town of Stoddard v Kenneth Holland, et al, #213-2013-CV-00265. - noted
6. Letter from Marlow concerning late filing of forest fire bills for reimbursement. Discuss with administrator. Jim Coffey explained that the Town of Marlow had submitted bills for their participation in the Forest Fire coverage but that the submissions were late and were improperly filled out. He is awaiting his requested letter from the state to indicate that they will include these costs in the state refund.
7. Confirm Monday, October 2, for hearing on road layout petition - confirmed

## NEW BUSINESS:

1. Acceptance of unanticipated moneys from the Highway Block Grant Fund in the amount of \$30,910.23. Discuss possible uses and schedule a hearing. See letters attached. Jim Coffey explained that the money was the town's share of surplus highway block grant funds that was returned with stipulations that the funds could only be spend on unbudgeted but needed road and bridge maintenance repair. The board agreed to accept the funds. Jim Coffey suggested the board hold a hearing to learn where to use these funds and David Vaillancourt will come up with a list of possible projects. The board will also gather information, from the hearing, on the public's suggestions.
2. U.S. Census Bureau Request – 2020 Census
3. Monadnock Region Child Advocacy Center request for a \$1,000 donation. Jim Coffey will notify them that the town requires a petition in order to place the request on the town warrant and he noted that there were no funds allocated to the center at the last town meeting.
4. Copy of letter to David Vaillancourt from Granite Lake resident reporting on deteriorating conditions
5. Copy of class action lawsuit sent to town and Attorney Bradley. Discuss with Administrator. Jim Coffey is checking this issue out.
6. Jim Coffey reported that he is working with the Trustees of Trust Funds to do their Annual Reports.
7. Jim Coffey reported that the new phone system installation has commenced.

## OTHER CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Shoreland Permit Application, Tax Map 102, Lots 96 & 87 (Richard & Nancy Irving) – just a notice that the legal line on their check is illegible and DES is awaiting further submission.

2. Island Pond E.coli tests 8/4/17
3. Other water testing

ADJOURN: Margo Santoro moved and Chris Madden seconded to adjourn at 8:58, the board agreed.

Respectfully submitted:

Patricia E. Putnam  
Administrative Assistant

Approved:

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Margo Santoro

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Chris Madden

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Charles Fosberry

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