

## SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES

September 25, 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, Harry Power, Compliance Officer and Patricia Putnam, Administrative Assistant. James Coffey, Town Administrator was on vacation. Several members of the public were in attendance.

### APPOINTMENTS:

7:00 Harry Power

1. Tax Map # 129, Lot # 02 - Karl Parrott, 62 Mt. Stoddard Road, standalone deck (hot tub to be installed upon it) - approved.

2. Tax Map #104, Lot # 01 - Fred Schley, 1525 Highland Lake Boat Access, extension to porch roof - approved.

3. Tax Map # 103, lot # 01 - Merriewoode Village, 2665 Valley Road (possible property), building without a building permit - there is a complaint on this to DES – Margo went on a boat tour with Pat Stack and viewed the wall and deck which were constructed. The project totally altered the shoreline and may have a devastating effect on runoff. She noted that a letter was sent to the owner from DES indicating the site may have to be restored to its original condition. She also went on a walking tour of the land and observed the berm and all the changes to the wetlands. She said no emergency vehicles will ever be able to reach the homes past the berm, Eversource marked many hazardous trees and Asplundh stated they cannot get in to access the utility easement, and she noted that they created major changes to the wetlands and completely blocked a culvert.

7:20 Chief Vaillancourt – no show

SELECTMEN'S COMMENTS: None

### SIGNED/APPROVED:

1. BOS Board Meeting Minutes of 9/11/2017
2. P/R Manifest
3. A/P Manifest
4. GIS Internet Services Maintenance Agreement

All the above were signed.

### PUBLIC QUESTIONS & COMMENTS:

1. Mary Lou Stymest pleaded with the board to include paving the parking lot behind the Town Hall and Gould House in the next budget process. Margo Santoro and Steve McGerty support the request. The board will look into the idea.

2. Mary Lou Stymest also requested that the culvert entrance at the corner of Shedd Hill Road and the Fire Station have a grate installed to prevent anything from falling into it. The board asked for Jim Coffey to write a letter to the NH Department of Transportation to express concern with this dangerous situation.

3. Steve McGerty requested that the board direct Jim Coffey to write a letter to Phil Terrell, of Southwestern NH Fire Mutual Aid, to meet with the board at their October 9, 2017 meeting, concerning poor service in notifying Stoddard personnel of emergency calls.

4. Steve McGerty reported that he has ordered a ladder for emergency response use as the responders are now using property owner's ladders, which he felt was not acceptable.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Suggestions on Excess Highway Funds (\$30,910.23) projects:
  1. Charlie Fosberry – replace the railing on the Shedd Hill Road Bridge with composite decking, which is also used for railing.
  2. Charlie Fosberry - improve the entrance the Transfer Station
  3. Dean Huber - pave Old Forest Road as it leads to the Police Station
  4. Chris Madden - repaint the yellow lines on Shedd Hill Road
  5. Mary Lou Stymest - repair and pave the ditch at the corner of School Street and Mount Stoddard Road.
  6. Mary Lou Stymest - ditch repair and install a culvert at Dow Cemetery to prevent dirt and water from washing into the Cemetery (which is now occurring).
  7. Steve McGerty - raise the culvert and pave the entrance at Kings Highway.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Merriwoode Village – Cabin build without a building permit – see # 3 under Harry Power above.
2. Request from 100 Nights for a funding to offset one person's use of their services in 2016 – After reviewing the request and their financial statement, the board decided to ask Jim Coffey to write them a letter indicating that they must submit a petition for inclusion in the next budget for Town Meeting. Margo also said the board should deny the request because we pay taxes to Cheshire County and they are funded through the county's budget.

MISC. CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Annual report of Lake Host Program for Granite Lake – noted.

ADJOURN: Charlie Fosberry moved and Chris Madden seconded to adjourn at 8:03, 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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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

**APPOINTMENTS**

7:00 PM Harry Power

7:20 PM Chief Vaillancourt – introduce new part time police officer

**TO BE SIGNED/APPROVED**

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**OLD BUSINESS**

1. Suggestions on Excess Highway Funds projects
2. Letter concluding enforcement of issues at the Fire Station

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**SELECTMEN'S ITEMS**

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1. Merriewoode Village – Cabin built without a building permit – see Harry above
2. Request from 100 Nights for a funding to offset one person's use of their services in 2016.
3. Read a letter from George T, Walton, Jr. concerning West Hill Road (unknown road in town). He owns property at 489 North Shore Road. His complaint entailed issues with wear and erosion to the road. David Vaillancourt also received a copy of this letter. The board said Jim Coffey should check this out.

**OTHER CORRESPONDENCE:**

1. Annual report of Lake Host Program for Granite Lake