

SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES

March 29, 2021

Opened with Pledge of Allegiance

Attendees included Christopher Madden, Chairman of Selectmen, Robert Fee, Selectman, Stephen McGerty, Selectman, Michelle Pong, Town Administrator, Harry Power, Compliance Officer and Patricia Putnam, Administrative Assistant. Several members of the public attended.

APPOINTMENTS:

1. Compliance Officer - Harry Power - Building Permits - Open Issues
 1. Tax Map # 408, Lot # 19 - David Mooney, 19 Doe Road, excess junk behind trailer, ordered it cleaned up.
 2. Tax Map # 115, Lot # 58 - John & Delyth Marshall, 180 Tigola Trail, open deck, approved
 3. Tax Map # 123, Lot # 8, - Matthew & Jacqueline Freeman, Champney Road, Permit submitting to Planning Board.
2. Fire Chief – Randy Weaver - Process on new vehicle purchase - total cost - lending options – Brian Michaud and Steve Rockwell presented Randy Weaver's information. Steve said the vehicle purchase would be around \$217,000 at 3.09% interest from Republic First National Bank. They do not require a Bond Opinion.
3. Brian Michaud reported that they have a quote to replace the siding, windows and overhead door on the Old Fire Station for \$20,000. After discussion, Chris Madden moved and Stephen McGerty seconded to add the amount to the General Government Buildings budget for the Old Fire Station, the board approved.

TO BE SIGNED/APPROVED:

1. A/R and/or P/R Manifest
2. Minutes of 03/22/2021
3. 2 Appointments to Conservation Commission

All the above were signed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: none

SELECTMEN'S COMMENTS:

1. Bob Fee reminded the board that the County and School Budgets are out of control. Jason Kovarik said the school budget includes \$1,500,000. that is tuition to Keene for Middle and High School.
An article to appoint the Fire Chief will be added to the Warrant (RSA154.1)
2. Stephen McGerty moved to make sure there is a dumpster on site prior to sending the approved building permit to the applicant – a vote was taken but it did not pass.
3. Michelle Pong reported that the Transfer Station replacement building is ready for delivery. David Vaillancourt will have to do a bit of preparation to the ground where it will be replacing the existing building.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Covid-19 issues – Michelle Pong will investigate a **gofundme** grant for helping to cover these costs.
2. Broadband – Jason Kovarik reported that about 150 houses have been activated. There are about 50 more in the original 200 customers that expressed an interest. Hidden Lake Development is on their schedule.
3. King's Highway Update – Michelle Pong reported that the project is on schedule.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. ATV encroachment- Andorra forest – Bob Fee reported that there are ATVs that are encroaching on the Andorra Forest trails. Most of them are coming from the Town of Washington. Andorra Forest management wants enforcement of not damaging the trails. The Conservation Commission wants to get NH Fish & Game to enforce the trail users. It was decided to have Michelle Pong and Bob Fee draft a letter to NH Fish and Game and the Town of Washington (they have an AVT) to enforce rules for the riders using the trails. Michelle will email the draft letter to the board members to get their approval.
2. Identified Critical Infrastructure – the list was reviewed and the board decided to add Stoddard Gould House and Mr. Mike's to the list.
3. Budget Review – Final Approval – It was wondered of the Home Healthcare, Hospice and Community Service was paid for Age in Motion as they have not held meetings due to Covid. (Patricia Putnam checked and they were paid for the 2020-2021 year.) Chris Madden moved and Stephen McGerty seconded to approve the budget with the Professional dues for the Town Clerk being increased to \$300 and the \$20,000 being added to the Old Fire Station maintenance budget, the board approved.

Chris Madden moved and Bob Fee seconded to set the Budget Hearing for April 12 at 7:00, the board approved.

4. Article Review – Selectmen comments/suggestions

MISC. CORRESPONDENCE: none

ADJOURN: Chris Madden moved and Bob Fee seconded to adjourn at 8:55, the board agreed.

Respectfully submitted:

Patricia E. Putnam
Administrative Assistant

APPROVED:

Christopher Madden

Robert Fee

Stephen McGerty

SELECTMEN'S MEETING
Stoddard Town Hall
March 29, 2021
AGENDA
7:00 pm

Also Available on ZOOM:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83229056878?pwd=TUh3QjlQV3pEQ2tLMEEvZ3AzWExSQT09>
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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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MISC. CORRESPONDENCE:

ADJOURNMENT:

