

SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES

July 12, 2021

Opened with Pledge of Allegiance

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

APPOINTMENTS:

Harry Power – Building Permits

1. Tax Map # 130, Lot # 4, David Vaillancourt, 77 Mill Road, shed from Transfer Station – approved
2. Tax Map # 109, Lot # 6, Alexander Chase, 271 Rice Brook Road, addition, approved
3. Tax Map # 116, Lot # 8, Cliff & Akira Stuckey, 59 Kennedy Brook Drive, new house, approved
4. Tax Map # 109, Lot # 9, Peter Sprague, 179 Rice Brook Drive, built without a building permit – Harry has written him a letter indicating a building permit is required and double the fee might be assessed for a fine for building without the BP.

GUEST/REQUESTS

Dominic and Deborah Busto – Dominic passed out a statement and exhibits packet. He read the statement into the record and explained his objections to Harry Power's actions on the violation of the building permit stipulations. The Selectmen discussed the issue and ruled that he would need to apply for a new Building Permit, get an approval for construction from the NH Department of Environmental Services a 3 bedroom septic system and to add to the deed "living quarters cannot be rented unless a 3 bedroom, State Approved Septic System is approved".

TO BE SIGNED/APPROVED:

1. A/R and/or P/R Manifest
2. Minutes of 06/28/2021 – public and non-public
3. Approve use of Town Hall

All the above were signed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

1. Rex Rodanas asked how the speeding sign data would help cut speeding. The answer was that the data would be taken to see the times when speeding is greatest and allow the Police Department to set up patrol times.
2. Noreen Durand wanted to know if the board was sick of hearing complaints on speeding – Chris Madden replied "no".
3. Doug Summerton said Route 123 is a State road and why is the town PD patrolling.
4. Jason Russell asked how a police chief is appointed. The board said the Board of Selectmen appoints him.
5. Raymond Durand wanted the board to double check when the Constable position was eliminated and the Chief was appointed.
6. Doug Summerton asked how long the Police Chief's term is – Michelle Pong said he is employed at will and there is no term.
7. Joe Traniello asked why the town is having a speed sign instead of patrol. The speed sign will gather data to point to when patrols should be scheduled
8. Jason Russell noted that the speed changes 4 times on Route 123 and wondered if the town has enough signage of the speed limits.
9. Gerry Bailey noted that it is very dangerous to enter and back out of the Mill Village Store's

parking lot.

10. Gerry Bailey said the speeding on the lakes from boats and jet skis is out of control and wondered how to control it. It was noted that the State Fish and Game Department is in charge of all violations on the lake. It was suggested that noting the Bow # and reporting it to the state might help – Bob Fee said they will contact the owners of speeding vehicles on the lake.
11. Noreen Durand asked how long a Building Permit is good for. The Building Permit indicates that it is good form one year from date of issue.

SELECTMEN'S COMMENTS:

Stephen McGerty reported that Juniper Hill Road is in need of grading and the entrance to the road, off Route 9 needs drainage upgrading. Chris Madden remembered that the State DOT must do any work on the entrance at the State road location. The board asked Michelle Pong the State DOT for a catch basin at the end of Juniper Hill Road to control the water runoff.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Update on Fire Truck – credit application submitted
12. Old Forest Road Name Change – South Old Forest Road – Chris Madden moved and Stephen McGerty seconded to change the road's name, the board approved. A new sign must be ordered and the E911 addresses must be updated.
13. Yard Sale Ordinance update – Mr. Clark as agreed to place a Parking Sign and enforce parking where indicated, if the Selectmen agree – the board approved.
14. Update on Rt. 123/Anderson Road Parking sign – This has to be placed by the State Department of Transportation as it is on a State road. Michelle Pong told the board that she is working with the NH DOT in Concord to get a sign posted.
15. Transfer Shed Update – waiting for Eversource to install power. The board asked Franz Haase for a quote to install wallboard on the inside of the shed.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Wilson land – discussion of Conservation Commission support – The Conservation Commission is planning to establish a steering committee and others that are interested in protecting the land from development. It would be like the Pickerel Cove project. The board expressed support for the project.
2. Speed Humps at Mill Village – discuss speed control options – This is a State road so the town cannot install speed humps.
3. Mill Road – Discuss taking over ownership of the road – requested by residents – The road would have to be brought up to State standards. The board did not agree to this.
4. FD Invoice Approval – The board decided to have the Fire Department Association pay these invoices for awards.
5. RFP for Auditing Firm – for approval The board approved for Michelle Pong to search for a new professional auditing firm.
6. Audit questions/comments/changes etc.- board approved as printed.
7. Michelle Pong reported that she has submitted for a Covid-19 grant for around \$128,000.

ADJOURN: Chris Madden moved and Stephen McGerty seconded to adjourn at 9:07, the board agreed.

Respectfully submitted:

Patricia E. Putnam
Administrative Assistant

APPROVED:

Robert Fee

Stephen McGerty

Christopher Madden

SELECTMEN'S MEETING
Stoddard Town Hall
July 12, 2021
AGENDA
7:00 pm

REGULAR MEETING

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPOINTMENTS

Compliance Officer - Harry Power – Building Permits – Open Issues

GUEST/REQUESTS

Dominic and Deb Busto

Potential for non-public session

TO BE SIGNED/APPROVED

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Minutes of 06/28/2021 – public and non-public

PUBLIC COMMENT (Agenda Items Only)

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MISC. CORRESPONDENCE

ADJOURNMENT

