

## SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES

September 14, 2020

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

Attendees included Christopher Madden, Chairman of Selectmen, Charles Fosberry, Selectman, Robert Fee, Selectman, Michelle Pong, Town Administrator, Harry Power, Compliance Officer and Patricia Putnam, Administrative Assistant. Several members of the public were in attendance.

### APPOINTMENTS:

7:00 Harry Power – building permits

1. Tax Map # 422, Lit # 2.14, Sharil Cass, 553 Route 9, deck, approved
2. Tax Map # 411, Lot # 12.12, Mirle Cross, 187 Old Antrim Road, Harry reported on the court action giving Mr. Cross a deadline of October 31, 2020 to clean up the lot. Harry reported that he understood that Mr. Cross is trying to sell the parcel.
3. Tax Map # 411, Lot # 14.12, Three should read: Samuel & Lynn Lamphier, 340 Shedd Hill Rd, Harry found that the contractor was working on reconstruction of the residence and is hauling multiple truckloads of construction debris to the Transfer Station. Harry has notified the contractor and the owner that the debris should be disposed in a dumpster that the contractor or owner supplies and Harry also has spoken with the Transfer Station operator not to allow any more dumping with more than a level 1/2 ton pickup once a week. Harry reported that the owner called and said they were going by weight, not volume. The owner said he will stick to what is allowed,

Harry reported that the church is planning on holding Applefest at the Gazebo on September 21 and requested to use the Town Hall if it rains. The Selectmen agreed to this with no charge.

### SIGNED/APPROVED:

1. Accounts Payable Manifest
  3. Minutes of 8/31/2020
  3. Pistol Permit application
  4. Building Use Agreement – Girl Scouts
- All the above were signed.

### PUBLIC QUESTIONS & COMMENTS:

1. Mary Lou Stymest requested funds to purchase a post office box for the Trustees of Trust Funds use. The cost is \$56 annually. Bob Fee moved and Chris Madden seconded to allow the expense, the board approved. She was advised to submit a budget for the next fiscal year.
2. Steve McGerty asked how much the Selectman vote recount has cost in legal fees. The amount was not available at the meeting.
3. Steve McGerty asked what P J LaMothe's grant called for in Helmets – the answer was Level 3 helmets. Steve felt the vests should be able to withstand a rifle shot.
4. Steve McGerty asked what the result was on the extra \$500 charged by Homeland for the work at the Old Fire Station. Michelle Pong reported that they had not returned her call. She will contact them again.
5. Noreen Durand stated that she felt the Selectmen should care on the price for legal services connected with the re-count for Selectman.

7. Herb Healy, a member of the Zoning Board of Adjustment, reported on the public hearing the board held concerning the Fibercast application for a building to house their equipment. He felt that the ZBA did not have the authority to hold a hearing on the request for a Special Exception until the Planning Board had issued a Conditional Use Permit and then the ZBA could grant the Special Exception. He did report that the ZBA had granted conditional approval for the Special Exception but he felt the Planning Board should have held a public hearing on the Conditional Use Permit prior to the ZBA hearing. Noreen Durand expressed her opinion that the lighting on the building should be motion activated. Chris Madden reported that the lights had to be on so workers could access the building at any time of day or night.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

1. Covid-19 issues – Michelle Pong reported that she is submitting an application for a grant tomorrow for partial reimbursement of expenses connected to the Covid-19 pandemic.
2. Broadband – none
3. King's Highway Update – Michelle Pong reported that the State has agreed to an expedited Department of Environmental Services permit to allow the replacement of the culvert. The engineers will present options at the September 28th Selectmen's meeting.
4. Shed at Transfer Station – tabled to 9/28 meeting

#### NEW BUSINESS:

1. School Use of Andorra Forest area for outdoor classroom – The school is proposing to remove a small tree and several evergreens and clearing out the overgrowth in the path. They will create a fire pit with the Fire Department's guidance. This will allow for outdoor class areas. Chris Madden moved and Bob Fee seconded to allow this creation, the board approved.
2. Appoint Conservation Commission – tabled to 9/28 meeting
3. Oil and Propane Contract - tabled to 9/28 meeting – awaiting pricing from the Irving company, who has been supplying fuel and propane for a few years.
4. Statewide Drought update – local water issue – Stacey Herbold, of the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services, sent an Email urging water conservation due to the extreme drought conditions. He indicated that 28% of the state under a severe drought and 72% of the state is categorized as in a moderate drought. Bob Fee reported that well drilling companies are backlogged and recommended that owners of dug wells get on a list for drilled wells.
5. Designated Signing Authority – for COVID grant applications – permit was signed.

OTHER CORRESPONDENCE: None

ADJOURN: Bob Fee moved and Charlie Fosberry seconded to adjourn at 7:49, the board agreed.

Respectfully submitted:

Patricia E. Putnam  
Administrative Assistant

Approved:

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Charles Fosberry

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Christopher Madden

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Robert Fee

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**AGENDA**  
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**7:00 pm**

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**MISC. CORRESPONDENCE**