

SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES

January 08, 2018

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

Attendees included Margo Santoro, Selectperson (via voice mail), Christopher Madden, Chairman of Selectmen, 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. Harry presented pictures of the hand railings at the Marlow Post Office and at his residence.
2. Tax Map # 134, Lot # 17 – Scott Moulton, 641 Route 123 North – he is living in a seasonal camp year round and has an approval for construction of a State approved Septic System. Obviously, he cannot construct it until good weather and Harry will keep an eye on the progress.
3. Tax Map # 422, Lot # 15.1 – Mathew Cerbone, 1100 Route 9 – concerning the request from the Planning Board to investigate Edmund Burke's vehicle repair business. It was discovered that he repairs ambulances in the various stations and does only paperwork at the property in question. Margo Santoro reported that Mr. Burke has moved to Waco, Texas and is no longer living at the property so it is a mute issue. She also reported that he has been granted a leave of absence from the Fire Department.

7:20 Dian Mathews – met with the board with some questions that the Planning Board had on their work on updating the Home Business Ordinance.

1. She reported that the board would like to include a paragraph on junkyards, which would include a definition of a junk vehicle as any vehicle which is not currently registered and inspected.
2. The Planning Board would like to include language that a landowner cannot be in the business of repairing or selling vehicles without a proper permit.
3. The Planning Board would add a definition of what a hobby is and what a home business is. A Hobby: something a person likes to do in their spare time, an avocation; HOE BUSINESS: a home/family occupation with up to one employee, which lacks signage or street advertising, shop frontage and customer parking. The flow of traffic and any noise should be similar to what one would expect of a residence. This means the customary, incidental home occupation carried out within the confines of the home.
4. She included examples of a home business
5. She questioned what to do about businesses operating now – the board thought there should be no Grandfathering (add a definition) and allow the operating businesses time to comply
6. She requested for input from the Selectmen.

SELECTMEN'S COMMENTS:

1. Margo Santoro asked if the like named roads could be changed to prevent delay of responding fire or ambulance needs. Example: Old Forest Road is divided by a swamp. The board had discussed changing the name of the far west end to something else. Steve McGerty suggested North and South Old Forest Roads but Margo Santoro said that wouldn't be change enough. There are several roads in town that have confusingly similar names (Nichols Drive & St. Nicholas Drive). Jim Coffey suggested addressing all the road name changes at one time. Dean Huber wondered if the GPS would have to be changes. Jim Coffey thought it would catch

up in due time.

2. Charlie Fosberry reported that Rex Rodanas, 1502 Route 123 North, wishes to establish a Community Supported Agriculture program on his property. Margo Santoro expressed concern for the lack of parking and that the property is on a curve. Charlie Fosberry said he asked what he had to do to establish the program. He is planning on constructing a looped drive around his house to accommodate parking for participants. The board advised that Mr. Rodanas meet with the Planning Board to inquire on regulations for this Agriculture Program.

SIGNED/APPROVED:

1. BOS Board Meeting Minutes of December 11, 2017
2. Payroll Authorization for Don Holland, Jr.
3. Payroll Authorization for Jen Wells.
4. Yield Tax Warrant and Certification
5. Adam Castor, Veteran's Tax Credit
6. Robert Maden, Veteran's Tax Credit
7. Accounts Payable Journal
8. 2019 Tax Map, CAI Agreement (04/01/2018-3/31/2019)
9. 2019 Street Numbering, CAI Agreement (04/01/2018-3/31/2019)

All the above were signed.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS & COMMENTS:

1. Steve McGerty asked if there is a list of births, deaths and marriages in the Town Report – answer is yes, under the Town Clerk's report.
2. Steve McGerty asked about the lighting installation – Jim Coffey reported that he has spoken to the installer today and there is a mix up with the order and our additional lights were lumped with Bennington's order to make it large enough for the supplier to accept. The installer is hoping for delivery soon. After all installation is completed and the paperwork is submitted, Eversource will issue a rebate payment for the overcharged electricity.
3. Steve McGerty reported that the renovations to the Fire Station meeting room are coming to completion and that the room is much warmer. He will submit a breakdown of all the repairs that have been done when the project is completed.
4. Dean Huber asked if the light on Old Forest Road could be moved to provide lighting to the Police Station.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Discuss ZBA denial of Selectmen's appeals.
2. Results of fire station well (water) testing. The tests came out with non-detectable contaminants.
3. Court motion files by Tonya and Benjamin Wilder. The board will not grant an extension to the Wilders because they set the date for completion. They have moved box trailers to Mike Hayes' property on Route 123 South, left a vehicle that was supposed to be removed, and generally did not complete the agreed upon cleanup.
4. Letter from DES to Andorra Forest clearing deficiency on Cold Spring Dam. – They have received a letter of compliance now.
5. Merriewoode Village, Inc. DES is aware of this requirement. DES is going to follow up on this.
6. Proposed Merriewoode Order from Gary Kinyon and Matt Serge – this is the Town's proposal.
7. Motion by Defendants, Merriewoode – they claimed they did not receive notice in time.
8. Discuss security system(s) for Gould House, Town Hall and parking areas. Jim Coffey presented 2 bids from Arcomm Communication for an Analog System and a Digital System.

Margo Santoro asked Jim to get another company to bid. Margo also asked if the cost could come out of the Capital Improvement Fund. Jim Coffey said it could.

9. Filing of Shoreland Application at Merriwoode Village. This is an after the fact application. There is also an after the fact building permit required. The present Shoreland application will require a change to show the property

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. Letter from the Samaritan, Inc., and our response - Jim Coffey read the response for the board's information.
- 2. Primex proposal for FY 2019-2022, needs formal motion to approve. Jim Coffey read the proposal and resolution:

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**RESOLUTION TO ENTER PRIMEX**  
Property & Liability contribution Assurance Program (CAP)

**Resolved:** to hereby accept the offer of the New Hampshire Public Risk Management Exchange (Primex) to enter into its **Property & Liability Contribution Assurance program (CAP)** as of the date of the adoption of this resolution, and to be contractually bound to all of the terms and conditions of Primex risk management pool membership during the term of the **Property & Liability Contribution Assurance Program (CAP)**. The coverage provided by Primex in each year of the membership shall be as then set forth in the Coverage Documents of Primex.

I attest that the foregoing is a true copy of the Resolution of the Governing Board of the **Town of Stoddard** adopted on January 8, 2018.

Board: Board of Selectmen  
Signature: (James Coffey)  
Name: James Coffey  
Title: Town Adm. duly authorized  
Date: Jan 8, 2018

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Chris Madden moved and Charlie Fosberry seconded to accept the proposal, the board agreed. Chris Madden signed the Agreement for the board.

- 3. Cheshire County Proposed Budget. Stoddard increase is 16.13%. Jim Coffey estimated that the increase would add \$.60 to the tax rate.
- 4. Request for a primary point of contact from Eversource for storm related outages. Steve McGerty, Fire Chief will act as primary point of contact for the Town.

OTHER CORRESPONDENCE:

- 1. Letter from Linda Bravo, 530 Center Pond Road informing us that a Shoreland Impact Permit will be filed.
- 2. Wetlands Utility Maintenance Notification from Eversource
- 3. Wetlands permit application for the repair of the Island Pond dam from the DES Dam Bureau to the DES Wetlands Bureau – replace the top 3' of concrete on the dam.
- 4. Wetland Permit application for a “Perched Beach” at 30 Stone Road, Tax Map 126, Lot 56, owned by David Hahn.
- 5. DRA Community Action Report – announcing the retirement of Diane Frechette

ADJOURN: Charlie Fosberry moved and Chris Madden seconded to adjourn at 8:43, the board approved.

Respectfully submitted:

Patricia E. Putnam
Administrative Assistant

Approved:

Margo Santoro

Chris Madden

Charles Fosberry

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