

## **SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES**

July 8, 2019

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, 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 Building Permits

1. Tax Map # 126, Lot # 12 – Carmine & Dorothy Arpino, 1025 Route 123 North, Add Stoop roof over front door – approved.
2. Tax Map # 408, Lot # 18 – James & Candace Elliott, 3494 Route 123 North, Replace Mobile Home and addition with a slightly Mobile Home, approved.

### **SELECTMEN'S COMMENTS:**

Bob Fee reported that Blue Green Algae is starting to grow in Island Pond. It was asked if the Reverse E911 system could be used to warn users of the beach and pond of the growth and also protect pets from coming into contact with it.

Bob Fee asked where the Current Use Penalty is placed. Jim Coffey said it go to the Conservation Commission up to a certain amount (he thought maybe \$10,000).

Bob Fee asked about the Sweet Water Trust. Jim Coffey explained that there are two funds. One was created by a \$50,000 donation and the other is a \$10,000 budget created by taxation. Both are designated for the care of the Stoddard Rocks property. The funds must be kept separate and can be expended by vote of the Conservation Commission and the Board of Selectmen together.

### **SIGNED/APPROVED:**

1. Accounts Payable Manifest
  2. Minutes of June 24, 2019
  3. Health Officer Nomination – Robert Englund, MD
- All the above were signed.

### **PUBLIC QUESTIONS & COMMENTS:**

Jason Kovarik asked if Water Quality issues could be posted on the town's web site and broadcast to residents. Jim Coffey said a posting could be placed on the front of the web site and broadcast to subscribers.

Chief Steve McGerty asked the Selectmen to sign form for the reappointment of Forest Fire Warden and Deputies – the board signed it.

Noreen Durand reported that a man came to her door asking if she had done any updated to the interior of her house since she purchased it. She said she was busy and didn't notice any identification. Jim Coffey said that M&N Assessors are going around and gathering information on recent sales as a part of the revaluation process. The man should have showed her identification.

It was reported that Carr Avenue, off Kings Highway, had a buildup from shoulders being

augmented over the past couple years. Jim Coffey said David Vaillancourt is working on drive way connections. Jim will ask David to meet with the board with a report on progress on this problem.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

1. Non-Public: RSA 91-A:3 II,(e) – 7:54 - Voted to go into Non-Public Session –  
Bob Fee – Yes  
Charlie Fosberry – Yes  
Chris Madden – Yes  
8:04 – voted to come out of Non-Public Session.
2. Review Primex recommendations for agreement with Monadnock Community Hospital for Fire/Rescue – Jim Coffey reported that Primex had some simple additions to the agreement – Jim is awaiting the Hospital's reaction.
3. Goals List/Generator Bids – Jim Coffey will be sending out bid requests for a stand by generator for the Fire Station. On Goals – Jim Coffey asked David Vaillancourt to inspect the drainage problem around the Old Fire Station and suggest a resolution to the problem. Jim Coffey noted that the Transfer Station Fence replacement project is scheduled to start in mid-August.
4. Jim Coffey said he has requested a quote for installing street light shields and has not heard back as yet.
5. Jim Coffey reported that David Vaillancourt and he visited the Center Pond Road to study crushed culverts reported by a resident. David will replace the culverts when he placed some large boulders to make an improved turn around area at the end of the town maintained section of the road.
6. Jim Coffey announced that the Shedd Hill Road and School Street paving project has been completed.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

1. Discuss replacement of copier with Administrator – Jim Coffey reported that he has received one quote from Office Systems of Vermont on a replacement copier for the Selectmen's office. He is awaiting another quote from Ricoh in Manchester. The board approved Jim Coffey to go ahead and decide which quote to accept. He will notify the board prior to awarding the purchase. Jim did say that the new machine would be much faster, more versatile and would cost the Town less to provide copies.
2. Little Free Library - The Library Trustees have requested permission to install a Little Free Library which is a free standing lending library where anyone can take a book and put a replacement book in its place. The selectmen decided to place it behind the Town Hall. The Little Library structure is being donated to the Town.
3. Discuss appointment request from Conservation Commission - – The Conservation Commission sent an email requesting that Margo Santoro be appointed to the commission. Bob Fee reviewed the Conservation Commission Handbook. He said Margo is an animal rights activist and he will not support her appointment to the commission. Bob also reported that New Hampshire Fish and Game is not happy with the Stoddard Conservation Commission. The board decided not to appoint any more members at this time.

4. Discuss pending audit - Jim Coffey reported that the audit will be starting in the next week.

OTHER CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Department of Environmental Services; Environmental News – report was given to Bob Fee
2. 2018-2019 Expense Report – Jim Coffey reviewed the report and said he expects about a \$97,985.45 balance which = (8.13%).

ADJOURN: Bob Fee moved and Charlie Fosberry seconded to adjourn at 8:06, 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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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

**APPOINTMENTS**

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End of Meeting / Review correspondence from attorney.

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**MISC. CORRESPONDENCE**

1. DES; Environmental News
2. 2018-2019 Expense Report