

## SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES

November 25, 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, Permits

1. Tax Map # 422, Lot # 19 Letter of complaint from Mr. Ian Corey renting the building's lower level and that there has since been a rental of the upper floor to another party. Harry will reply to the letter.

2. Tax Map # 113, Lot # 52 Joanne Perovic, 1134 Shedd Hill Road, property is seasonal and a state approved septic system is being installed this week to make the property into year round. Approved

3. Tax Map # 113, Lot # 66 Raymond and Jeffrey Scott, 30 Chalet Drive, seasonal property – A broker is advertising as year round. Harry sent a letter to the broker that it is a seasonal property. Approved.

4. Tax Map # 113, Lot # 41 Norman Madore, 20 St. Nicholas Drive, stripped the land of all trees – State Department of Environmental Services has ordered him to restore woodland buffer.

5. Tax Map # 115, Lot # 51 Paul & Michelle Bourassa, 220 Tigola Trail, new dwelling. Approved

6. Tax Map # 137 Lot # 48 Charles & Linda Phippard, 143 North Shore Road, garage with bed and bathroom (ZBA granted variance). Approved

7. Tax Map # 113, Lot # 67 Joseph Cheverier, 1062 Shedd Hill Road, shed, Approved

8. Tax Map # 128, Lot # 1 Stoddard Congregational Church, 1549 Route 123 North, shed. Approved

9. Tax Map # 418, Lot # 02 Donall Healy 750 Aten Road, remove Shin Bone Shack and build a Gazebo with bathroom. Approved

7:15 Angel Nicoletti Library Building – gutters Angel reported that the library needs a better rain gutter collection system due to water running across the front steps. She presented a quote from Rainflow, Inc. for the work. The Board approved the work.

Angel Nicolette presented a request to re-appoint Geri Bailey as an alternate to the Davis Library Trustees, the board approved.

### SELECTMEN'S COMMENTS:

### SIGNED/APPROVED:

1. Accounts Payable Manifest
2. Minutes of October 26, 2019
3. Appointment of Jocelyn Summerton to Supervisors of the Checklist
4. Solar Exemptions (2) for 2020
5. Veterans Tax Credit (2) for 2020
6. Payroll Authorization for Stoddard Fire & Rescue
7. Notice of Intent to Cut Wood or Timber (2) 410-009 – **HELD due to mud road restriction**
8. 2019, Issue 2, Property Tax Warrant
9. Use of Town Hall for Ornament Making by Congregational Church
10. Recommendation to appoint Ruth Ward to the SWRPC Transportation Committee (Bob Fee abstained)

All the above, with the exception of the Timber Cuts were signed,

#### PUBLIC QUESTIONS & COMMENTS:

1. Chief McGerty asked about the culvert replacement on Kings Highway – It was noted that the replacement will support 60 tons. The plan is to install 2 culverts to replace the failing ones. The engineer is checking into replacement with a precast cement culvert.
2. Steve McGerty asked about the Tax Collector's position and when it would be ended. The board said it would be ended at the end of Town Meeting, 2020. Steve questioned being able to close an elected position. Jim Coffey explained that the voters had approved a combined Town Clerk/Tax Collector position to commence after Town Meeting 2020. Steve was worried that the town would have to pay the Tax Collector's position through the end of the elected time. It was noted that the books would have to be audited at that time.
3. Jason Kovarik reiterated the agreement that the Hidden Lake Association would be notified when requests were in the development. The requesting letter outlined the covenants that included being notified.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

1. Transfer Station fence to start week of November 25 – Jim is awaiting the start of the project.
2. State of NH Bridge Report limiting Kings Highway to 10 tons. The board so noted.
3. DES notice to Normand Madore to restore woodland buffer, Tax Map 113, Lot 041. See Harry Power above.
4. Notice of Decision from Merrimack Superior Court granting Petitioner's Motion for Non-Suit. Northern New England Telephone Operations abatement(s). The abatements were approved, therefore ending the suit.
5. Reminder of Floodplain Administrator 101 course in Keene on December 9, 10:00 – 4:00 pm, Southwest Community Services, 49 Community Way. Harry Power was asked to attend.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

1. Discuss 2019 Tax Rate - \$15.10.
2. Notice of new Superintendent for SAU 24 – Jacqueline Coe.
3. Reappointment of Forest Fire Warden Randy Weaver and three Deputies. Chief McGerty noted that Wally Weaver should have been included. He will have Randy call the state.
4. Letter from NHMA outlining services provided.
5. 2020 Budget Items. Southwest Regional Planning Commission dues and Southwestern Community Service support request. Jim will include in the new budget.
6. Memo of Deficiency, Highland Lake South Dike, from Water Division Dam Bureau to DES Engineering & Construction Section. Board so noted.
7. Municipal Aid is being checked into for funding replacement of the culverts on Kings Highway.

OTHER CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Town of Antrim, Notice of Public Hearing for a cell tower
2. Thank you certificate from Girl Scouts for use of Town Hall.
3. Granite Lake Host report.
4. SWRPC October Highlights
5. Notice of class on changes in labor rules.
6. Copy of Wetlands Permit, filed for Kennedy Brook Culvert.

ADJOURN: Bob Fee moved and Charlie Fosberry seconded to adjourn at 8:28, 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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