

SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES

January 13, 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, 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 # 131, Lot # 07, Leland Chick, 165 Route 123 North – seasonal cottage, he is proceeding with installation of a State Approved Septic System when weather permits, approved.

2. Tax Map # 113, Lot # 52, Joanne Perovic, 1134 Shedd Hill Road, seasonal cottage – installing a State Approved Septic System – noted

3. Tax Map # 116, Lot # 26, David Stenstrom, 190 Red Coat Lane, applied for a well permit – approved. Requested an E911 # from CAI.

7:20 Chief McGerty – no show – sent an email explaining that he could not attend and his deputy had to tend to a deceased cat.

7:40 David Vaillancourt Item 4, Old Business – see # 4 under Old Business.

Non-Public Session 91-A:3 II (c)

Enter into Non-Public Session at 7:45:

Charlie Fosberry – YES

Chris Madden – YES

Bob Fee – YES

Came out of Non-Public Session – Bob Fee moved and Charlie Fosberry seconded to seal the minutes – the board agreed.

Enter into second Non-Public Session at 7:51:

Charlie Fosberry – YES

Chris Madden – YES

Bob Fee – YES

Came out of Non-Public Session at 8:00 – Bob Fee moved and Charlie Fosberry seconded to seal the minutes – the board agreed.

SELECTMEN'S COMMENTS:

1. Bob Fee moved that any expenditure, by any department, for over \$500.00 must be preapproved by the Selectmen, Charlie Fosberry seconded and the board approved. Any exception will be for emergency only.

2. Jim Coffey was asked to send an email to Chief McGerty asking for run sheets for the past 2 months, a copy of the repair bill for the rescue vehicle and explanation of the reason the repairs were required. These answers will be reviewed at the February 3, 2002- meeting.

SIGNED/APPROVED:

1. Accounts Payable Manifest

2. P/R Manifest

3. Minutes of January 2, 2020

4. Non-Public Minutes of January 2, 2020

5. Property tax abatement due to over billing

6. Agreement with George E. Sansoucy, P.E., LLC for electric utility assessments.

7. Cyclical Re-Valuation Contract with M & N Assessing for 2020-2024, see item 3, New Business to discuss.

All the above were signed.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS & COMMENTS:

1. Charlie Fosberry reported that the School Budget Hearing is scheduled for February 10, a Selectmen's regular meeting date. The board decided to hold their meeting on February 3.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Set date for public hearing for receipt of unanticipated funds, \$17,654.20 from State of NH. The hearing will be held during the regularly scheduled Selectmen's meeting on February 3.
2. Discuss E911 communications from Kelly Tester, E9-1-1 Field Representative. They will be assigning building numbers for all of Merriwoode Village properties.
3. Request(s) from Ian Corey for an inspection by the Town Health Officer and for the Selectmen to request in writing the Fire Marshall's office perform a building code inspection at 980 Route 9.
4. Discuss with David Vaillancourt King's Highway weight limit issues from the State. David Vaillancourt will be posting the road for 10 Ton limit and the engineer is expediting the request for state approval. David feels the best correction is a 2 culverts system.
5. Health Officer's Report for 980 Route 9. Jim Coffey and Dr. Englund visited the property and discovered extensive mold and moisture. The renter is using a de-humidifier with little relief. Tiles were glued to the cement slab but were lifting. Dr. England's professional opinion is that is a health hazard to live there. Ian Corey, the renter, reported that the landlord is unwilling to correct the situation.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Donation from Franz Haase the repair of the guardrails on Shedd Hill Road bridge. The Selectmen will write a letter of appreciation to Mr. Haase.
2. Complaint from "Concerned Citizens". Jim Coffey discussed the problem with Karen Bell and she has the situation resolved – no more rentals of property, due to lack of State Approved Septic System.
3. Cyclical Re-Valuation Contract with M & N Assessing for 2020-2024 – Jim Coffey recommended continuing on with the M & N Assessing contract for the next 5 year cyclical system. The cost is \$16,000 per year for the first 4 years and \$36,000 in the last year. Charlie Fosberry moved and Bob Fee seconded to approve the contract, the board approved.
4. Request to proclaim January 26 – February 1, School Choice Week in Stoddard. Bob Fee moved and Charlie Fosberry seconded to deny the request, the board agreed.
5. Unemployment Insurance credit to cover current payment and a credit toward the 2021 payment. The balance of \$629.91CR will be included in next budget.

OTHER CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Budget Report, July 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019 – the budget is on track with 47.97% balance left.
2. Environmental News

3. SWRPC Highlights

ADJOURN: Chris Madden moved and Bob Fee seconded to adjourn at 8:20, the board agreed.

Respectfully submitted:

Patricia E. Putnam
Administrative Assistant

Approved:

Charles Fosberry

Christopher Madden

Robert Fee

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