

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes

Monday, August 8, 2016

Present: Chairman Gallagher, Selectmen Darcy, Diorio, Rideout, and T.A. Collins. Selectman McCosker was excused.

6:00 Chairman Gallagher called the meeting to order.

Selectman Darcy made a motion to approve the manifests of 8/1/2016 & 8/8/16 and the minutes of 7/25/16 as amended, second by Rideout. Motion passes unanimously.

6:01 p.m. Selectman Darcy made a motion to enter into non-public meeting under RSA 91:A-3, II, g. Security related issues, second by Rideout. The vote is as follows: Darcy-I, Diorio-I, Gallagher-I, Rideout-I. Motion passes.

6:12 p.m. regular meeting reconvened.

Selectman Rideout made a motion to seal the minutes of the non-public meeting, second by Diorio. The vote is as follows: Darcy-I, Diorio-I, Gallagher-I, Rideout-I. Motion passes.

Selectman Darcy made a motion to appoint Julie Seymour as interim Town Clerk and Municipal Agent for the Town, second by Rideout. Motion passes unanimously.

Selectman Darcy made a motion to approve the non-public minutes of 7/25/16, second by Diorio. Motion passes unanimously.

Selectmen signed a letter to the DMV listing Mary McAlister as a Municipal Agent.

Selectman Darcy made a motion to have the Chair sign a facility request by Rick Krane for use of the Boy Scout Hall for 8/22-8/27 from 8-5 for Anglers Artistry, second by Rideout. Discussion followed that there would be no charge as discussed in the past. Mr. Krane has been working on improvements to the building and ramp. Motion passes unanimously.

Selectman Rideout made a motion to approve the MS-1 Extension, second by Diorio. Discussion followed that this is an assessing report that goes to the DRA. Motion passes unanimously.

Selectman Darcy made a motion to accept 2nd Quarter Commitments for Water in the amount of \$114,363.03 and Sewer in the amount of 81,637.50, second by Rideout. Motion passes unanimously.

The following Abatements were presented and discussed:

- a. Beverly Bernier abatement in the amount of \$37.92 for 2nd quarter water for 2016 per arrangement with Water Department.
- b. Town of Hinsdale (Fire Station) \$304.88 for 1st and 2nd quarter sewer flat charge duplicated.

Selectman Rideout made a motion to grant both abatements, second by Darcy. Motion passes unanimously.

Selectmen signed approval pages for Water & Sewer Ordinances adopted on July 25, 2016.

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T.A. Collins informed the Board that she will be attending a workshop in Concord on Wednesday, 8/10/16, regarding the TAP Application for sidewalk improvements on Brattleboro Road. She will also be attending a meeting on 8/22 regarding the Town's Brownfield nominations. Auditors will be in on 8/25/16 and the week of September 18th.

Mari Brunner from SWRPC and Liz Kelly attended the meeting to speak about the Complete Streets program. They had planning and design guideline handouts for the Select board, together with a proposed policy. They have been working with the Planning Board and the Planning Board thought this was ready to go before the Select board for review and approval. Discussion followed. Selectman Rideout questioned associated costs. It was pointed out that this is a policy for future planning projects at no cost or low cost strategies. The town could also look for grants as they do improvements. The Town implements the policy but is not required to spend money. The Board discussed ideas and possibilities including School Street improvements and Monument Road improvements for possible implementation in the future. Mari stated that these are flexible guidelines without limitations. They provide ideas and suggestions. Other communities that recently adopted Complete Streets include Keene, Portsmouth, Dover, Concord, Swanzey and Troy.

Selectman Darcy made a motion to table this matter for two weeks in order to go over and review the information presented, second by Rideout. Motion passes unanimously.

Selectman Diorio informed the Board that he met with Chris Sununu last week regarding the bridges and thought that the meeting was worthwhile. Chris expressed a lot of interest and asked many questions. The postal celebration was well-attended; there were many interesting speeches and postal memorabilia. Some community members have expressed that they were unable to attend and sorry that they missed it.

T.A. Collins informed the Board that Discount Oil will be the supplier for fuel this year.

Selectman Darcy mentioned that he has heard concerns of parking and road access re: entry onto Main Street/Route 119 from Church Street. Discussion followed re: the possibility of changing Church and Hancock Streets to one way. Initially, this will be mentioned to department heads to see if there are any objections or concerns.

Selectman Rideout mentioned that Rick Krane inquired about a letter of appreciation from the town re: projects/improvements. Once improvements are completed, a letter can be sent.

T. A. Collins updated the Board on the O'Connor property status. She was informed that Patrick signed a quitclaim deed to Shannon today to start the process.

Selectman Diorio will not be attending the meeting on the 22nd and is excused.

Kathryn Lynch introduced Megan Bassett to the Board and informed them that she would like to start a Beautification Committee with their approval. She would like to start fundraising so that funds would be available without the need for tax dollars. One idea presented was a calendar with Hinsdale photos. Businesses would pay to advertise and purchasers may choose to have birthdays and/or anniversaries printed on specific dates. It was noted that this could be similar to what was done in years past on Boy

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Scout calendars. Other ideas included planting flowers along Main Street, possibly a summer kick-off party with Lions Club and Firemen participation, a Harvest Festival tying in with the school and local farmers, Clean Up Days with volunteers like student athlete leadership team, a perennial drop-off day, a movie night and possibly an event like the Caterpillar Lab to be held with the Farmer's Market. She would like a Selectman representative and a School Board representative on the committee and would like to start raising funds. There was discussion as to whether this would be a committee on its own or a subcommittee. There is support for this. The next step may be to have an interest meeting with potential members signing up before making it official.

Kathryn informed the Board that she has been approached by BMH regarding their annual fundraiser to be held in the parking lot owned by Deborah George. There will be vendors outside. Beer and wine will be sold. Discussion followed regarding their need to get a state permit and vendor permit. The building inspector will inspect. Chief Faulkner will be asked to turn on the traffic signal for that day and possibly a day or two in advance if allowed by DOT.

Selectman Rideout noted a miscommunication regarding a 1-day permit that had been brought up previously.

Kathryn explained the vendor permit process. Applicants are urged to get application in as soon as possible as the process takes time. The completed application goes to the Department Heads, then to Selectmen for approval at their meeting. Once the Selectmen approve it, the Building Inspector needs to inspect and then the State needs to inspect.

7:12 p.m. Selectman Darcy made a motion to enter into non-public meeting under RSA 91:A-3, II, (a) personnel, second by Diorio. The vote is as follows: Darcy-I, Diorio-I, Gallagher-I, Rideout-I. Motion passes.

8:04 p.m. regular meeting reconvened.

Selectman Rideout made a motion to seal the minutes of the non-public meeting, second by Diorio. The vote is as follows: Darcy-I, Diorio-I, Gallagher-I, Rideout-I. Motion passes.

8:05 p.m. Selectman Darcy made a motion to adjourn, second by Rideout. Motion passes unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim P. Worden
Secretary