

*Selectmen's Meeting Minutes*

Monday, June 19, 2017

Present: Chairman Diorio, Selectmen Darcy, Gallagher, McCosker and Rideout; and T.A. Collins.

6:00 p.m. Chairman Diorio called the meeting to order.

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Selectman McCosker made a **motion** to approve the minutes of 5/22/17, both public and non-public, and the minutes of 6/5/17, second by Rideout. Motion passes unanimously.

Selectman Gallagher made a **motion** to approve the Manifests of 6/12/17 and the Manifests of 6/19/17 less the payroll, second by Rideout. Motion passes unanimously.

There was discussion of closing out the CDBG for Oak Hill Acres. Selectman Rideout made a **motion** to sign the Closeout Certification for Oak Hill Acres CDBG Grant and for the Chair to sign the Close Out Agreement, second by McCosker. Motion passes unanimously.

Selectman Rideout made a **motion** to sign the Deputy Warden Appointment form for Troy Benedict, second by McCosker. Motion passes unanimously.

T.A. Collins presented the Selectmen with information for an employee picnic (open to employees and their families) for Saturday September 16<sup>th</sup> at the pavilion, with a rain date of September 17<sup>th</sup>. Everyone agreed with this idea. Selectman Gallagher made a **motion** for the Chair to sign the Open Container permit for the Town of Hinsdale – Employee Picnic on September 16, 2017 (with rain date of September 17, 2017), second by Rideout. Motion passes unanimously.

Next presented was an Open Container permit for Bernie Nixon, Class Reunion to be held at the Community Center on June 25, 2017 from 12-6. Selectman Gallagher made a **motion** for the Chair to sign the Open Container permit for Bernie Nixon on June 25, 2017, second by Rideout. Motion passes unanimously.

An Open Container Permit was submitted by Allen Johnson for the Johnson Family Reunion to be held at the Pavilion on August 12<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 p.m. to 8:00. Selectman Gallagher made a **motion** for the Chair to sign the Open Container permit for the Johnson Family Reunion on August 12, 2017, second by McCosker. Motion passes unanimously.

T.A. Collins had a Deed for Lot #20 NE ¼ Section I in Pine Grove Cemetery to Jean-Pierre Fortier. Selectman McCosker made a **motion** to sign the Cemetery Deed for Jean-Pierre Fortier in Pine Grove Cemetery, second by Gallagher. Motion passes unanimously.

A Petition and Pole License for Public Service Company of NH, dba Eversource was presented for 203/4-1 Monteiro Drive. Brief discussion followed. Selectman Gallagher made a **motion** to sign the Petition and Pole License re: Monteiro Drive, second by McCosker. Motion passes unanimously.

Water and Sewer bill information was handed to the Board re: Patricia Buraczynski. This matter had been tabled from last meeting. Discussion followed indicating there wasn't a precedent to this type request. In the past, these were denied re: water use. Chair Diorio indicated that he didn't see a

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problem with abating this. Selectman Gallagher made a **motion** to abate the 2017 first quarter sewer in the amount of \$454.92, second by McCosker. Motion passes unanimously.

A Civil Forfeiture re: Unlicensed Dogs was presented for approval and signature. Selectman McCosker made a **motion** to sign the Civil Forfeiture – Unlicensed Dogs, second by Gallagher. Motion passes unanimously.

Discussion followed re: an email sent about a request involving removal of a parcel from current use which would disqualify his other parcels from eligibility. There was indication that RSA does not allow that.

T.A. Collins informed the Board that employee evaluations were coming up. She informed the Board of the recent Manager's Conference hosted in Keene that she recently attended. There will be a Budget Law workshop on Wednesday and she plans to attend the Regional Planning Commission Meeting tomorrow. She also mentioned the panel will meet Thursday night to hold interviews for the Program Director position. There is work going on re: Capital Improvement and Budgets so that they can be ready to go out. T.A. Collins is busy closing out June with Lynn to get ready for the audit. Camp will be starting soon and training starts next week. Jill will be meeting with Tammy to discuss trips and will then meet with Tom re: vans for transportation. Frank Podlenski has obtained bids for painting the field house and for the roof. She asked if Selectmen would like her to request bids for lawncare and all were in agreement.

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Selectman Gallagher noted that the Cemetery Commission Meeting was held recently. He had the Minutes. There was discussion of upkeep and an indication that not all was cleaned up for Memorial Day. There will be another meeting on June 29<sup>th</sup>. T.A. Collins indicated that Tony Orzino will try to make that meeting.

Selectman McCosker noted there will be a Library meeting on Wednesday.

Selectman Darcy said there is a Planning Board meeting tomorrow.

Chair Diorio attended the School Board meeting last week. The soccer field is to be discussed. There was a brief discussion on having a policy point person re: the shooting range. There still needs to be a public Hearing.

T.A. Collins indicated that she will be scheduling four items for a public hearing.

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Theresa Davis gave an update on the Farmer's Market indicating a success thus far. Visitors have averaged 124 and there were nine vendors. Twenty-seven vendors have filled out applications. She intends to come back towards the end of the summer to discuss an end-of-year event for October 12<sup>th</sup>. Theresa had a question about where and how they should be placing signs. She wants to make sure she can continue to put signs up and wants to make sure she is within the town ordinance. Sean Leary gave history of what had been done in the past including in 2016 when they asked permission to put signs at

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the entrances to town (to be put up and removed before and after certain dates). It was noted that ordinarily signs can be put on resident's property for 60 days. Theresa noted that she did not read the ordinance ahead and is asking permission to use them at Route 63 Islands from Friday night to Sunday afternoons.

Selectman McCosker made a **motion** to allow the Farmer's Market to put up signs Friday night and take them down on Sunday afternoon, second by Gallagher. Motion passes unanimously.

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Kathryn Lynch was present to review Abatement Applications with the Board:

- 1) Kyle Bentley property – application indicated that bedrooms need to be fixed which would lower assessment by a couple hundred dollars. Selectman Rideout would like to see Rod go there to look at it. Others agreed that Rod should look at the bedroom issue. This should be tabled pending investigation. Kathryn indicated a determination needs to be made before July 1<sup>st</sup>. Selectmen will not be meeting again prior to that date. It was determined it could be denied and to send Rod out to investigate for future.

Selectman Rideout made a **motion to deny** the Abatement Application for Kyle Bentley, second by Gallagher. Motion passes unanimously.

- 2) Holly & David Therriault property – application states “going to” remodel and demolish sheds and decks and after explanation they determined they are not ready. Also, no building permit has been applied for.

Selectman Gallagher made a **motion to deny** the Abatement Application for Holly & David Therriault, second by Rideout. Motion passes unanimously.

- 3) Public Service of New Hampshire and Northern New England Telephone Abatement Applications – Under advisement of Skip Sansoucy, the abatements were denied.

Selectman Darcy made a **motion to deny both** the Public Service of New Hampshire and Northern New England Telephone Abatement Applications, second by McCosker. Motion passes unanimously.

- 4) A camper abatement request re: 30 Gunner Drive was presented stating they didn't know they needed to register.

Selectman Gallagher made a **motion to approve** the Abatement Application for 30 Gunner Drive, second by McCosker. Motion passes unanimously.

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Chair Diorio asked if any members of the public had anything to discuss.

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Megan Bassett from the Beautification Committee had a Permit for Fireworks for the July 3<sup>rd</sup> event. She informed the Board that Phantom looked and found a location at the Historical Society property. Selectman Rideout had questions about parking and number of people expected. Parking will be at the inside field to the left. Discussion followed. Selectman Gallagher made a **motion** to sign the Permit for Fireworks pending approval of the Fire Marshall, second by McCosker. Motion passes unanimously.

Jim O'Malley noted that the School District intends to work more closely with the Police Department next year. 2017 Graduation was held on Saturday. Next year, they would like to collaborate with the Town re: dog license tags, as was done this year. He will check with Town Clerk, Julie Seymour.

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Bob Brinck and Donna Suskawicz were present with handouts for the Board entitled: *Friends of Hope Engine Company No. 1 – Hinsdale, New Hampshire*. Donna indicated that they are racing against time, that the "current owner" wants to demolish the building and that this is a large project. She read from the handout including an appeal to assist them in saving this historic wood fire station structure and moving it to a suitable location down town on town-owned property. They would like help with funding and technical assistance and to approve an "expendable trust fund" to help maintain the building. Donna noted that she had met with and had a letter of support from Andrew Cushing of New Hampshire Preservation Alliance. Mike Foerster, who operates Rolling on Motors at 13 Canal Street has a timeline of the end of August. He is offering the building at no charge to the town. Her first choice would be to move the building to the lot to the right of the Community Center and left of the Farmer's Market on Main Street. Her second choice would be the flat lot in the small park on Depot Street adjacent to the fire station. The third choice is the lot near the former Hinsdale Historical Society Building. She indicated that she had the building inspected and that info was included the handout. It was noted that the first floor needs to be reconstructed and the roof is not original. Suggestions for use were listed, including for a firefighting museum and possibly a police museum. There were also donation and fundraising suggestions noted. Bob Brinck noted that he is not a resident and he and his wife will be returning to Florida next week. He is still interested and will help but is backing away. His first choice would be for the building to be moved next to the existing fire station. He feels it would be cheaper to place it on a 20 x 30 foot concrete slab with brick facing. Chair Diorio noted he liked the building and the idea. T.A. Collins stated that they would need to look into the options for placement of the building. There was federal funding for parks and sidewalks and it isn't known if the park could be used. Discussion followed that the move, setting the building on slab, and restoration would be, at a minimum, \$5000.00; this needs to go before Town Meeting; we're looking at 2018 before expending any funds; and the issue is time and money.

Selectmen views: Chair Diorio likes the idea of preserving the building. Selectman Gallagher thinks it is a good idea but there are a lot of questions to be answered. Selectman Rideout is in favor of going to the park (near Fire Station) but more information is needed. Selectman McCosker is interested but noted it takes a lot of money and as a pastor of a very old church, he knows it takes money. If we go forward, it will be the Town's responsibility to maintain and keep safe. Selectman Darcy noted that it is easy to say yes, we are interested, but we are two weeks away from a new budget and there is no way to get money for a year. As to the park site, we have no idea and cannot commit. He noted the Historical Society is not fully funding themselves. We can convey we are very interested but there are a lot of things to look into. Further discussion included a need for a public hearing with the Conservation Commission and the Planning Board to accept the building. It was pointed out that at a minimum, we

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would like to have the sign. Chair Diorio thanks Mr. Brinck and Ms. Suskawicz for coming to the meeting.

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7:31 p.m. Selectman Darcy made a **motion to enter into non-public meeting** under RSA 91-A:3, II (a) personnel, second by McCosker. The vote is as follows: Diorio-I, Gallagher-I, Darcy-I, McCosker-I, and Rideout-I. Motion passes unanimously.

7:50 p.m. Regular meeting reconvened.

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

7:52 p.m. Selectman Darcy made a motion to adjourn, second by McCosker. Motion passes unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim P. Worden  
Secretary