

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes

Monday, September 11, 2017

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

6:00 p.m. Chairman Diorio called the meeting to order. He asked for a moment of silence in observance of 9/11/2001 and noted that it has been sixteen years.

Selectman Darcy made a **motion** to approve both the Manifests of September 5, 2017 and September 11, 2017 and the public and non-public Minutes of August 28, 2017, second by Gallagher. Motion passes unanimously.

Chair Diorio presented the Shooting Range Ordinance to be approved. Selectman Darcy made a **motion** to approve the Shooting Range Ordinance as presented, second by McCosker. Motion passes unanimously.

New Business:

T.A. Collins presented the following:

An abatement for Joseph Mscisz, Jr. for 2017 second quarter water in the amount of \$168.35 due to broken meter. Selectman Gallagher made a **motion** to approve the abatement for Joseph Mscisz, Jr. in the amount of \$168.35, second by McCosker. Motion passes unanimously.

An abatement for Robert Brailey was presented due to an error on a previous read. Selectman McCosker made a **motion** to approve the abatement for Robert Brailey for water and sewer in the amount of \$490.51, second by Gallagher. Motion passes unanimously.

An abatement for Ellen M. Fullam was presented in the amount of \$31.44, for outside meter for water, sewer portion abated. Selectman Darcy made a **motion** to approve the sewer abatement for Ellen M. Fullam in the amount of \$31.44, second by Gallagher. Motion passes unanimously.

Next presented was an Elderly Exemption for case #091117-A. Selectman Darcy made a **motion** to approve the Elderly Exemption for #091117-A, second by Gallagher. Motion passes unanimously.

T.A. Collins presented an Open Container Permit for Brenda Saari for September 16, 2017 at the Community Center for a Celebration of Life. Selectman Darcy made a **motion** to have the Chair approve the Open Container Permit for Brenda Saari, second by Gallagher. Motion passes unanimously.

Selectman Darcy questioned whether it might be a good idea issue numbers to the permit requests in the future, in certain instances, so that names aren't a public record, giving examples. Selectman Gallagher suggested that the parties could request that. Chair Diorio wished to ponder the question.

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T.A. Collins informed the Board that the Beautification Committee would like to accept donations through various events, including bake sales, paint night, etc. They are working with the police department to make safer roads and with *Monadnock Buy Local* in working with the community to raise funds to make sidewalks more predominant and purchase solar traffic signs. Selectman Darcy reminded the Board that they need requests for specific reasons to accept money.

Selectman McCosker made a **motion** to allow the Beautification Committee to accept up to \$2000.00 for plantings around town, second by Gallagher. Motion passes unanimously.

There was discussion of allowing up to \$9,000.00 for the project on Main Street to implement complete streets in conjunction with the Police Department, Community Development, and *Monadnock Buy Local*. Selectman McCosker would like to table this until next week in order to obtain further information. T.A. Collins noted that they needed to start advertising. Selectman McCosker made a **motion** to table this until next week's meeting, second by Darcy. Motion passes unanimously.

T.A. Collins presented Waivers from the Tax Collector for selectmen signatures. Selectman Darcy made a motion to have the Board sign the Waivers previously approved, second by McCosker. Motion passes unanimously. It was discussed that the Tax Collector and Jill will work on letters to be attached to these waivers.

T.A. Reports/Requests:

T.A. noted that the COLA increase is at 1.5%. Last year it was 1%. There is a need for the increase for next year's budget. Discussion included which site the information was obtained from and that this is based on gas, food, and housing. Selectmen approve this each year for budgeting. Selectman McCosker made a **motion** to set COLA rate at 1.5%, second by Gallagher. Motion passes unanimously.

T.A. Collins gave an update that Matt Palmer is working on information on the tennis and basketball courts and has received product samples. She suggested that next week they take a look at and walk that site with Matt and Frank at 6 p.m. All were agreeable and Selectman Darcy suggested they also look at the end of Church Street (before reconvening the meeting inside).

T.A. Collins announced that Matt is looking at the four-year past budget expenditure to help her. Kathryn is working on the newsletter and assessing. She reminded all of the picnic this Saturday. She has auditors coming on Monday and is busy with payroll, accounts payable and training. Also noted was that she will be in Concord for a half day on Wednesday.

Board Comments/Selectmen Discussion:

Selectman Gallagher mentioned the Conservation Commission meeting held last week.

Selectman Darcy wants to make sure that the Highway Department is thanked for the new sidewalk in the park. It looks very nice. He mentioned that the School Board meets this week and the Planning Board meets next week.

Chair Diorio noted that he will be unable to attend the School Board meeting this week as he will be attending the public information meeting on the bridge scheduled for the same time. He attended the

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Rescue Inc. meeting last week and felt it was well run and a good information piece to let towns know what they are providing for the cost. He noted that there is a Budget Meeting on the 20th and a Fire Department Building Fund Meeting tomorrow.

Citizen Comments:

Cathy Johnson requested and received a copy of the Shooting Ordinance. She asked if there was a chance of putting Citizens Comments half way through the meeting.

6:42 p.m. Selectman Darcy made a **motion to go into non-public meeting** under RSA 91-A:3, II (a) personnel, second by McCosker. The vote is as follows: Gallagher-I, Darcy-I, Diorio-I, and McCosker-I. Motion passes unanimously.

[6:42 p.m. Kim Worden was excused]

6:50 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: Gallagher-I, Darcy-I, Diorio-I, and McCosker-I. Motion passes unanimously.

7:00 p.m. Selectman Darcy made a **motion** to adjourn, second by McCosker. Motion passes unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim P. Worden
Secretary