

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes

Monday, September 30, 2019 at Town Hall

Present: Chairman Mike Darcy, Selectman Steve Diorio, Selectman Bernie Rideout, Selectman Mike Carrier and Selectman Megan Kondrat; T.A. Jill Collins and Kim Worden.

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

Selectman Diorio made a **motion** to approve the manifests of September 30, 2019 and the public and non-public minutes of September 23, 2019, second by Rideout. The vote is as follows: Darcy-I; Diorio-I; Rideout-I; Carrier-I; and Kondrat-I; Motion passes.

New Business:

First presented was a cemetery deed to Tania Wright for approval and signature re: Lot 48 F in Oak Hill Cemetery. Selectman Carrier made a **motion** to approve the Cemetery Deed to Tania Wright, second by Diorio. Motion passes unanimously.

Next presented was Raffle Permit #11 for Hinsdale School District/Hinsdale PTSA for various raffles from 7/1/19-6/30/2020. It was noted that we signed a similar one last year. Selectman Kondrat made a **motion** to approve Raffle Permit #11, second by Carrier. Motion passes unanimously.

An Application for Open Container/Alcohol Permit was submitted by Kathryn Lynch of Beautification Committee for Sign & Wine at the Community Center on 10/17/19. Selectman Carrier made a **motion** to have the Chair sign and approve the Open Container/Alcohol Permit, second by Rideout. Motion passes unanimously.

T.A. Reports/Requests:

T.A. Collins handed out for the Board's review the 2019-2020 Water & Sewer Rate Proposals. Discussion followed on the suggested increases of 5%, other optional proposals, and whether or not to schedule a Public Hearing before deciding. It was pointed out that there were no increases during the 80's and 90's. It was determined that last year's increase was 2½% and any increases are paid by user fees. After discussion, Selectman Rideout made a **motion** to set a public hearing for water and sewer rates for three weeks from today, October 21st, second by Diorio. Motion passes unanimously.

T.A. Collins updated the Board that she had preliminary design plan through State review for the sidewalk project, she will be attending a labor compliance workshop on Friday, and that the audit went well. She will have a non-public for tonight.

Board Comments:

Selectman Rideout noted that he was away last week. He will have a non-public regarding e-mail received. He would also like to discuss the Boy Scout Park, #19-3 of 9.9 acres which is currently used as a snow mobile go through and for parking for ice fishing.

Selectman Diorio noted the dangerous issue of the trailer parked on Route 119 over the weekend and indicated reporting it next time.

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Selectman Kondrat informed the Board and T.A. that the (street light) light pole in the Library parking lot is out.

Selectman Carrier had a Conservation Meeting on Wednesday. He noted that at Coffee with Selectmen last week, he met with Lisa Borst re: her concerns. He handed out a list of those concerns to the Board for their review and indicated that he would like to table that until next week.

Chair Darcy met with Mr. & Mrs. Boucher. They mentioned a handicapped cut out on the sidewalk near the Community Center that was near a location that wasn't a Handicap parking spot. Discussion followed. Chair Darcy will also have a non-public on part of the mediation he attended over the weekend re: Eversource.

Citizens Comments:

Matt Palmer just received a notebook to look at to get camp ACA accredited.

James MacDonell, Tax Collector indicated that tax payments were coming in nicely.

A citizen owning 16-18 Church Street was present for the discussion of sale of town owned properties.

T.A. Collins mentioned that the Police Chief would not be coming in tonight.

6:26 p.m. Selectman Diorio made a **motion** to enter into non-public under RSA 91-A:3, II (e) negotiation, second by Kondrat. The vote is as follows: Darcy-I; Diorio-I; Rideout-I; Carrier-I; and Kondrat-I; Motion passes unanimously.

6:35 p.m. Regular Meeting reconvened.

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

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PUBLIC HEARING

6:30 p.m. The **Public Hearing Notice** was read by Chair Darcy re: consideration of sale of town owned property located at 45 Canal Street, Tax Map #50, Lot #33 and Old Chesterfield Rd, Tax Map #16, Lot 15.

T.A. Collins mentioned that deeded properties were being handled by James St. Jean Auctioneers. The Church Street property will be advertised and auctioned.

The properties owned by the Town are going through the process of obtaining permission by the Conservation Committee and the Planning Board and having two public hearings. This is one of the two public hearings. The two properties include a property on Old Chesterfield Road and a cellar hole on Canal Street. Sean Leary noted that the Planning Board saw no reason that these couldn't be sold. There was discussion on the process for the sale of these properties.

6:44 p.m. The public portion was closed.

The Board had further discussion.

6:44 p.m. Public Hearing concluded.

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A member of the public had a further comment on problems with tax sale property in another town that he had run across and asked if the Board had done a number of tax sales. It was noted that this was the first in the last decade and the tax deeded properties have had a 3-year process. The particular property he was interested in was taken in tax deed and also relinquished.

6:47 p.m. Kim Worden was excused. The Board was entering into non-publics.

6:48 p.m. Selectman Diorio made a **motion** to enter into non-public under RSA 91-A:3, II (a) personnel, second by Carrier. The vote is as follows: Darcy-I; Diorio-I; Rideout-I; Carrier-I; and Kondrat-I; Motion passes unanimously.

9:02 p.m. Regular meeting reconvened.

Diorio made a motion to seal the minutes, second by Rideout. The vote was as follows: Carrier – I; Darcy – I; Diorio – I; Kondrat – I; Rideout – I. Motion passes unanimously

Discussion took place on the O'Connor property. The Selectmen would like to discuss further with the Tax Collector, James MacDonell at a future meeting.

9:10 p.m. Kondrat made a motion to adjourn, second by Rideout. Motion passes unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim P. Worden
Secretary