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SELECT BOARD PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES MONDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2017 APPROVED OCTOBER 16, 2017

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Jim O'Brien called this regular meeting of the Select Board to order at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, October 2, 2017, in the large meeting room in the Town Hall. Chairman O'Brien introduced the members of the Board. Vice-Chairman Ken Traum led those assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members Present: Jim O'Brien, Chair, Ken Traum, Vice Chair, Steve Lux, Jr., Bob Gerseny and Sabrina Dunlap.

Staff Present: Neal Cass (Town Administrator), Robin Buchanan (Administrative Assessing Assistant).

Public Present: Ken Wilkens and Janet Krzyzaniak.

POINTS OF PRIDE: Mr. Cass highlighted Garrett Hoyt, noting that Garrett answers all of the alarms for all town owned buildings, day or night. He also raises and lowers all the flags at all the buildings and is always on call to respond to for all the maintenance issues.

ADMINISTRATIVE

Consent Agenda

The Board members reviewed documents for signature and approved unanimously (5-0) the Consent Agenda, taking the following action on a motion made by Mr. Traum and seconded by Mr. Lux.

CONSENT AGENDA 10-02-17

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE MANIFEST

\$1,315,094.95
\$111,901.22

PAYROLL

\$73,150.76

TIMBER WARRANT

Russell Nolan Map 206 Lot 22

\$290.98

INTENT TO CUT

Meadowsend Sawmill Map 231 Lot 1, Map 232 Lot 5 and 6

BUILDING PERMITS

Back in the Saddle Equine Therapy Center raffle permit

Jamie Harris , 123 Taylor Rd, Map 251 Lot 40 solar

Beaux Woods, 45 Main St, Map 251 Lot 4 renovations, residential

Michael Dutton 1325 Hopkinton Rd, Map 258 Lot 73 demo, construct veterinary

Daniel Kilrain, 124 Beech Hill Rd Map 259 Lot 23.2 high tunnel for crops

Jordan Dunne, 897 Farrington Corner Rd, Map 266 Lot 47 demo

Temporary sign permit Pack 77 Cub Scouts-scouting for food

Brian Peasley Jr, 461 Kearsarge Ave, addition and conversion Map 222 Lot 41

Carol&Harry Benson 97 Bass Ln, replace damaged section boathouse Map 208 Lot 10

TRANSFER OF FUNDS

Sewer Fund 200 to General Fund

\$8,680.40

Public Safety Revolving Fund

\$57,138.54

Recreation Revolving Fund

\$1,785.94

PERSONNEL ACTION FORM

Employee status to Full Time-Fire Department

Letter to Jack Crisp, Jr. Esquire re: 97 Bass Lane Map 208-10

The Board reviewed the Select Board Meeting Minutes of Monday, September 18, 2017. Mr. Traum made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lux to approve the Public Meeting Minutes of September 5, 2017. Chair O'Brien called for a vote.

VOTE: O'Brien, Traum, Lux, Gerseny and Dunlap voting in favor of the motion as amended; no votes against. **MOTION APPROVED 5-0.**

The Board reviewed the Non Public Select Board Meeting Minutes of Monday, September 18, 2017. Mr. Traum made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lux to approve the Public Meeting Minutes of September 5, 2017. Chair O'Brien called for a vote.

VOTE: O'Brien, Traum, Lux, Gerseny and Dunlap voting in favor of the motion as amended; no votes against. **MOTION APPROVED 5-0.**

The Board reviewed the notes from the Select Board/Hopkinton Fair Board Meeting on Thursday, September 28, 2017. As there was no quorum for this meeting, there is no need for a vote.

APPOINTMENTS: There were none.

OLD BUSINESS: Speed Limit Ordinance

Chairman O'Brien recapped the Public Hearing the Board had two weeks ago with regards to the speed limit on Farrington Corner Road. Mr. Lux stated that the Police Department does not recommend changing the speed on Farrington Corner, he does not believe reducing it by 5 mph will solve the issues the residents of Farrington Corner Road are having. He further stated the road is a straight, long road with no bends, changing the speed limit from 35 mph to 30 mph will not stop those people that are already going 40-50 mph. Discussion ensued, with regards to the ordinance which states 30 mph but the speed limit sign is for 35 mph. Ms. Dunlap stated she believes lowering the speed limit does work. She would like the speed limit signs to match the ordinance as it is written now.

Mr. Gerseny made a motion to reduce the speed limit on Farrington Corner Road from 35 mph to 30 mph and to increase the speed limit on Bound Tree Road (Pine St. to Autumn Ridge), Dustin Road, Penacook Road, Pine Street (overpass to Clement) and Tyler Road from 30 mph as listed in the ordinance to the posted speed limit of 35 mph. Mr. Lux seconded the motion.

VOTE: O'Brien, Traum, Lux, Gerseny and Dunlap voting in favor of the motion as amended; no votes against. MOTION APPROVED 5-0.

Hopkinton State Fair Meeting Update: Discussion ensued with regards to Hopkinton residents being on the Hopkinton Fair Board. Mr. Cass will contact those on the list to make sure they are still available and want to serve on the Board.

Town Hall Renovations: Mr. Cass stated he is looking for direction as to the Town Hall Renovations. Discussion ensued with regards to moving the Town Clerk/ Tax Collector's Office to the building at 330 Main Street. Discussion ensued with regards to parking and space issues. Discussion ensued with regards to any restrictions on the deed for the Bates Building located at 846 Main Street.

NEW BUSINESS: Winter Farmers Market:

The Farmer's Market is once again requesting to use the Town Hall on Saturday mornings for their winter market.

Mr. Traum made a motion to approve the Farmer's Market request to use the Town Hall on Saturday mornings. Mr. Lux seconded the motion.

VOTE: O'Brien, Traum, Lux, Gerseny and Dunlap voting in favor of the motion as amended; no votes against. MOTION APPROVED 5-0.

YTD Expenses:

Mr. Cass went over the Expenses to date, explaining that the Revenues were not available at this time. Everything is on track. Mr. Traum inquired as to why the Selectmen's Expense line is so

high. Mr. Cass explained that is the outstanding share of Webster's issue with the expenditure for the Transfer Station loader.

Dunbarton Perambulation Update:

Mr. Cass stated that the perambulation with Dunbarton is complete. The Board thanked Mr. Lux for helping to perambulate the line. Mr. Lux stated it went well.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR UPDATES:

Mr. Cass stated that the Department Heads have the CIP information.

Mr. Cass informed the Board that new dump stickers will be issued starting in October. Hopkinton is blue and Webster will be yellow.

Mr. Cass stated he will be on vacation from Wednesday, October 4 and will be returning on Thursday, October 12.

Mr. Cass stated that the Board will be swearing in the new police officer on Monday, October 30, 2017

PUBLIC FORUM: Mrs. Krzyzaniak thanked Mr. Lux for walking the boundary lines with Dunbarton. She further stated that use has done that in the past.

OTHER:

Mr. Lux stated that the Riverway Association and Chamber of Commerce will be opening the Welcome Center in November at the Depot in Contoocook Village. Hours will be Friday-Monday 10:00 am to 4:00 pm.

Chairman O'Brien stated that he has been approached about public broadcasting with Concord Community Television. Discussion ensued. The Board decided not to move forward on this.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, motion by Mr. Traum, seconded by Mr. Lux to adjourn the meeting. Vote 5-0 in favor of the motion. The meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin Buchanan
Administrative Assessing Assistant

