

SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES

Oct. 27, 2015

<u>ATTENDANCE:</u> Selectman Brian Robischeau, Selectman Rich Zacher, Selectman Bill Nelson, Laurie Champy, Ed Nason, Ed Comeau, Tom Hill, Brad Williamson

Approval of Minutes:

MOTION: Selectman Zacher made a motion to accept meeting minutes from Oct 20, 2015 as presented, Selectman Nelson seconded, all in favor, motion carries.

- **Tax Collector:** Not present, Selectman Robischeau stated that the new tax rate has been confirmed and set at \$18.98. The tax bills along with the Newsletter will be going out in tomorrow's mail. Selectman Zacher extended a special thank you to Dick Pechkam for his help with the folding of the Newsletter as well as stuffing envelopes.
- Assessor Clerk: Selectman Robischeau stated that he gave the Road Planning CIP to George Nick.
- Code Enforcement: Ed Nason presented an Intent to Cut Permit for the Selectmen to sign. Ed Nason also presented a drawing of a property on Kingswood Lake that the homeowner is requesting a zoning variance on. The homeowner is requesting a minor relocation of the footprint of the existing structure, which would allow for improvements on existing encroachments but it would still not meet current zoning requirements. Selectman Robischeau will provide a copy of said drawing to Town Council for advisement as to whether the Selectmen should grant an exception as it may set a precedent for the future.
- Road Agent: Ed Nason stated that he will be meeting with Holden Construction at the bridge on Moose Mountain Road tomorrow at 8am for a test pit to be dug for the bridge evaluation.
- **Planning Board:** Ed Comeau stated that there is nothing new to report since last week's BOS meeting.
- **Emergency Management:** Brad Williamson presented his Budgetary Request and stated there are not any major projects planned for the year.

- **Forest Fire Warden:** Brad Williamson presented his Budgetary Request and is seeking a \$500 increase in the budget for making repairs to the Forestry truck. Mr. Williamson stated that the truck has been put in storage for the winter in Union. He also reminded everyone that until there is snow on the ground, a permit is still required for burning.
- **Heritage Commission:** Not present, Selectman Robischeau spoke of the upcoming Veteran's Day Potluck dinner on Nov 7th at 5:30pm and suggested checking the website for further detailed information.
- Town Clerk: The State contacted Virginia McGinley to ask about the ballet box issued by them 100 years ago. Upon checking, it was discovered that the ballet box used annually by the town is the original one issued by the State. It isn't know why, but the State is gathering info about which Town's still have the original ballet boxes that were issued.
- **Old Business:** Selectman Zacher received a phone call from the roofer who stated he will begin the project Friday morning, Oct 30th.

This evening's meeting was continued until Oct 30th at 8:30am so that Selectmen Zacher and Nelson can meet with the roofer and make a decision about the cost of potentially reroofing the steeple on the Townhouse Bldg while the roofer is already here with his equipment.

In pursuit of the Assessor audit, Selectman Zacher spoke to Craig Nichols who stated he only checks the process with exemptions and Current Use and that he does not review numbers. Selectman Robischeau stated he will contact Avitar to speak with them about an audit as well as ask if they still have a copy of our original Request for Proposal.

The Selectmen are still awaiting the paperwork from the Weeks' attorney for the tax contract.

The Selectmen reviewed the bid from T.E.N. Construction for the land clearing project at the new Cemetery Land site. The Selectmen reviewed various balances to determine funding prior to making their following decision:

MOTION: Selectman Robischeau put forth a motion to accept the bid from T.E.N. Construction to do the two acres of land at \$8,500 and \$7,000 respectively, with a third of the contract amount due on signing. Selectman Zacher seconded, all in favor, motion carries.

The town's assessing contract with Avitar is expiring this December. Due to the closeness of the expiration date, the Selectmen agreed they would request to renew with Avitar for 2016.

Ed Nason spoke with White Mountain Oil and expressed concern about there being two regulators on the propane tank. After making a determination about his inquiry, the contact at White Mtn Oil is supposed to follow up with Mr. Nason.

Selectmen Zacher stated the new kiosk should be ready this week and he's hopeful for it's installation this Saturday with the help of a few volunteers.

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George Nick, not present, provided a copy of the welcome letter for review by the Selectmen, that he has been issuing to new home and land owners. After making some changes to the letter, the Selectmen agreed that the letter should be issued from the Selectmen. Selectman Zacher will provide a copy of said letter to Laurie Champy to issue in the future as necessary.

Meeting continued until Oct 30th, 2015 at 8:30am.

The next regular scheduled Selectmen's meeting is Nov. 10, 2015 at 6:30pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Laurie M. Champy Administrative Assistant