

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

DEEP RIVER TOWN HALL

Regular Meeting July 25, 2017

Attendance: Selectmen Angus McDonald, David Oliveria & Duane Gates. Also

present were Jonathan Kastner and Bob Ferretti. Margo Hilfiger and

John Greene (videography).

This regular meeting was called to order at 6:30pm by McDonald.

Minutes:

Approve minutes of regular meeting on July 11, 2017.

Gates moved, Oliveria 2nd, to accept the meeting minutes of July 11, 2017.

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Discussion of Firehouse Expansion and New Fire Truck:

McDonald briefed the Board on the topics.

Firehouse Expansion; No progress to report regarding the state's release to the town of the Northwest Gore (land between Exit 5 Southbound and Route 9) property for a new firehouse.

Recent conversation with Tom Gribbon (the most recent firehouse architect) considered an alternative approach to the current firehouse property and adjoining vacant house. This fresh approach involved replacing the house with new firehouse offices/ meeting room configuration and dedicating the current firehouse structure to apparatus storage only (this may include removing internal walls and adding a new bay door).

Fire Engine; This year we will make the final payment on the Ladder Truck 5-7-1. The next apparatus due for replacement is Fire Engine 5-5-3 (a 1983 Fire Engine) and it is on the town's Capital Plan for a maximum of \$650,000. The Fire Department asks if the Board supports their pursuing a replacement Fire Engine for 2018. Following discussion, the Board agrees and supports the Fire Department's efforts to find a replacement engine for 5-5-3.

<u>Audience of Citizens – Any other business to come before the board:</u>

Q1 - Margo Hilfiger asked for the status of the Transfer Station replacement compactor.

A1 – McDonald reports that the replacement compactor and two receiving bins are now located at the transfer station and the town crew is scheduling replacement. It was agreed to install the compactor this fall.

Q2 – Bob Ferretti asked about a new Guard Shack at the town landing.

A2 – Yes, a local Boy Scout asked about doing his Eagle Scout project for the town. It was agreed that the town could use a Guard Shack at the landing to provide cover for the guard on duty. The structure will be temporary in nature and can be stored off season when not in use. It will probably be ready at the end of the season so won't be used until summer 2018.

McDonald provided additional information on town projects:

- Parks & Rec has not met since the last Board meeting and so no new information to share on implementing new visitor pass rules for town parks.
- InterPro (a 3D printer company) has expanded their Incubator Building lease to include the entire building now.
- The newly formed Veteran's Green Monument Committee is investigating installing a walkway between Memorial Green and the Eagle Monument

Adjournment:

Gates moved, Oliveria 2nd, to adjourn at 6:55 pm.

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Respectfully submitted,

Dave Oliveria, Selectman