

I. CALL TO ORDER at 6:00 pm. Present were Selectmen Brett Hunter and Leon Holmes Sr; and Town Administrator Heidi Carlson. All rose for the Pledge of Allegiance.

There was some discussion about Seacoast Farms and a recent complaint about odors at the property, as well as items being dumped alongside Shirkin Road. From the last set of Site Plan Review meetings with the Fremont Planning Board, the procedure is for complaints to be filed with the Building Inspector, and if necessary (during BI off-hours); they be directed to the Fremont Police Department for documentation. The Town was unsuccessful in the court system to deem the site a public nuisance and any further legal action would be done by abutters or other aggrieved parties.

II. ANNOUNCEMENTS

This meeting is a work session of the Board.

All Town Offices are closed on Thursday July 4, 2013 in observance of Independence Day.

The Tax Collector has special hours all next week as it is the final week when tax bills are due. Hours will be Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 1:00 to 5:00 pm; closed Thursday; and tax bills due Friday July 5 with office hours from 1:00 to 7:00 pm.

III. LIAISON REPORTS - None

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Hunter and seconded by Holmes Sr to approve the minutes of 20 June 2013 as amended. The vote was unanimously approved 2-0.

V. SCHEDULED AGENDA ITEMS

6:45 pm Public Input - none

Victor Sokul came in to the Board's meeting at 6:40 pm to report on the interview process undertaken today by the Police Chief Search Committee. He reported to the Board that the Committee had reviewed resumes and submissions and today had interviewed four candidates who were qualified for the position in accord with the posting. He discussed their findings and on two top candidates and their thoughts/conditions on the information.

Sokul said that if the Board cannot make a determination or the discussions are unsuccessful with either of the top two, that the Committee's recommendation is to re-advertise the position.

The Board thanked the Committee through Sokul, for their assistance, and will get back to Sokul with any questions.

No decision will be made until the full Board meets again. Sokul left the meeting at 6:53 pm.

At 6:55 pm Interim Police Chief H D Wood met with the Board and introduced Paul Hanley, a candidate for the part-time position currently open.

Hanley is a 23 year veteran part-time police officer, who works full-time for the Epping Fire Department as a firefighter and paramedic. He has weekend availability for the Fremont Police Department part-time

shift coverage. He has passed his physical and would not require significant monetary outlay to outfit and train.

This has been discussed at previous meetings and a motion was made by Hunter and seconded by Holmes Sr to appoint Paul Hanley to a six month probationary period as a part-time patrol officer. The vote was unanimously approved 2-0. The Board will endeavor to sign an appointment form yet this evening.

Hanley left the meeting at 7:05 pm.

Wood then indicated he had a personnel matter to discuss with the Board in non-public session. Motion was made by Hunter and seconded by Holmes Sr to enter non-public session pursuant to NH RSA 91-A:3 II (c) to discuss a personnel matter at 7:06 pm. The roll call vote was unanimously approved 2-0; Holmes Sr – aye; Hunter – aye.

At 7:15 pm motion was made by Hunter and seconded by Holmes Sr to return to public session. The roll call vote was unanimously approved 2-0; Holmes Sr – aye; Hunter – aye.

No decisions were made.

Wood further discussed with the Board his interest in the position of Police Chief.

Wood left the meeting at 7:35 pm.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

1. Selectmen discussed doing the Danville Perambulations in response to a request from the Danville Selectmen's Office. The Board decided that members would walk them with the Town of Danville. Holmes Sr suggested contacting Gordon Copp and Peter Bolduc to see if they would assist in the process as well.
2. Selectmen discussed the Oak Ridge addition to the Town Forest easement. The Town's Attorney has reviewed the language proposed, and that has been returned to Mike Speltz at SPNHF for final review and concurrence.
3. Following the discussion last week, Selectmen signed an appointment form for Phillip A Coombs as an Alternate Member of the Planning Board. The form was forward to the Town Clerk to contact him for swearing in.
4. Selectmen finalized the summer camp wage schedule using all rates that were in effect for 2012 on any returning counselors, and setting the new counselor and CIT rate at \$8.00 per hour. The budget allows for the Assistant Director to be paid at \$9.00 per hour.
5. A letter was sent out yesterday to the NH Department of Labor on the final remaining two items from our recent inspections. The chain fall certification was completed today and that follow-up documentation will be sent to complete our compliance as soon as it is received.
6. Carlson will prepare a one ton truck winter plow agreement for the Board's review, and Mark Pitkin's review. Those contracts will be for one year only.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

1. Selectmen reviewed the accounts payable manifest in the amount of \$15,478.31 for current week dated 28 June 2013. Motion was made by Holmes Sr to approve the manifest. Hunter seconded and the vote was approved 2-0.
2. Selectmen reviewed bills and invoices for payment.
3. Selectmen reviewed the folder of incoming correspondence.
4. Selectmen scheduled a meeting for 5:30 pm on Wednesday July 3, 2013 to sign manifests and bills, and discuss urgent business including the Police Chief candidates.
5. Carlson updated the Board on the Town Forest selective timber thinning that has been under review by the Conservation Commission for several months. Forester Charlie Moreno is working on an RFP for public posting. The Board considered the issue of timber tax and decided that it was not necessary for town-owned timber. Carlson had forwarded to Moreno pertinent sections of the Town's Purchasing Policy for inclusion in the RFP.
6. Selectmen signed a lien release for parcel 03-001.001.23B with the assistance lien having been paid in full.

VIII. NON-PUBLIC SESSION NH RSA 91-A

1. Tax hardship abatement request – Selectmen did not discuss this case as no statement of account was available, and they wanted a full Board present.

The next meeting of the Board will be held at 5:30 pm on Wednesday July 3, 2013. The next regular Board meeting will be held on Thursday July 11, 2013 at 6:00 pm.

IX. ADJOURNMENT – by 9:00 pm

At 7:55 pm a motion was made by Holmes Sr to adjourn the meeting. Hunter seconded and the vote was unanimously approved 2-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Heidi Carlson
Town Administrator