

I. The meeting was called to order at 6:43 pm in the Fremont Public Library Community Room. Present were Selectmen Gene Cordes, Neal Janvrin, Roger Barham, Town Administrator Heidi Carlson, Selectmen's Clerk Jeanne Nygren. All rose for the Pledge of Allegiance. This meeting is being taped for rebroadcast by Bruce White from FCTV.

This meeting is a work session, and some candidate interviews are planned for the end of the meeting.

II. ANNOUNCEMENTS were read by Selectman Cordes as follows:

1. The Town Clerk Tax Collector's Office IS CLOSED on Mondays for the summer. Please plan accordingly. New hours will begin after September 11, 2017.
2. The Fremont Planning Board is in need of members. The Board meets twice per month to consider land use applications, work on Zoning Ordinances, and other land use regulations. If you are interested and would like to get involved in the community, contact Casey Wolfe at 895 3200 x 18 or Heidi Carlson in the Selectmen's Office.
3. For anyone planning a vacation, the Fremont Police Department does vacant house checks. The form is available on the PD website page or at the Fremont PD, and should be completed and dropped off at the Safety Complex. There is a drop box beside the front door, or business hours are Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm.
4. The Annual Hazardous Waste Day will be held on Saturday September 16, 2017 at the Brentwood Highway Garage at 207 Middle Road in Brentwood from 9:00 am to 12 noon.
5. DeLucca Fence Company is doing shoulder work for the DOT project on the guard rails on Danville and South Road. The guard rail will be installed sometime in September by NH DOT.
6. Roadside mowing will continue over the next two weeks while the Town has the rental roadside mower.

III. LIAISON REPORTS

The Economic Development meeting scheduled for August 14, 2017 was cancelled. The presentation by Altaeros is rescheduled for September 11, 2017 at 6:30 pm at the Library.

The Energy Committee meeting that was scheduled for August 15, 2017 was also cancelled. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday September 19, 2017 at Town Hall.

Barham reported the latest on the continuance of the Ferwerda Governor Forest site plan amendment. Because of his need to amend the plan, not only for the road, but for the Lot Line Adjustment, Ferwerda has asked for a continuance until September 6, 2017. At a previous meeting Ferwerda requested for the Town's attorney to look at his easement, which has been completed. The Town's Attorney confirmed that Ferwerda is the owner of this easement, it is valid, and he is obliged to comply with the original site plan that included installing the emergency access road.

After showing up unscheduled at the Board's meeting, Josh Manning from Lewis Building and Harold Morse shared their views on the Town Engineer's report from Stantec at Black Rocks Village. The Planning Board voted after a demeaning and boisterous sharing of Lewis Builder's opinion, to deny this request, and to keep Stantec as Town Engineer on the Black Rocks Village Project. Casey Wolfe sent a letter to the Board of Selectmen for their concurrence with a copy being send to Lewis Buuilders.

This led to discussion about the Board of Selectmen seeing this through to the end on behalf of the hundreds of property owners residing in Black Rocks Village, so that the Site Plan is followed and built out as approved. It was clarified that the road network are NOT Town roads and never will be based on the approval.

Carlson discussed the Board sending a letter to the Lewis Builder's attorney to correct some misstatements in his RTK request letter, as well as to notify them that the Town has made a decision to retain Stantec to completion of the Site Plan build out. Selectmen directed that Carlson send something out to Attorney Levine for Lewis Builders and Josh Manning asking to meet with the Board within the next two weeks to outline their plan and timeline for completion, now that they have gone nearly another year since the last time they committed to having the project complete.

Failing which, the Board of Selectmen discussed their option to call upon the escrowed funds set aside for completion, and get the road and other improvements completed to the plan specifications.

Barham stated that he had also attend the Brentwood Dam Landowner meeting that was held on Tuesday, August 15 at 7:00 pm at the Kingston Library. At this meeting, there was a review of the recently issued Letter of Deficiency from NH DES. The residents are organizing a group to do a clean-up of the banks. Their next meeting is scheduled in two weeks on August 29, 2017 at the Danville Library.

Carlson mentioned that the Exeter Squampscott River Local Advisory Committee (ESRLAC) is planning an informational forum on the dam, and landowner options and issues. This meeting will be held on Wednesday September 27th at the Brentwood Community Center on Route 125 in Brentwood.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion to approve the meeting minutes from Wednesday August 9, 2017 was made by Janvrin. This was seconded by Barham. The vote was unanimous 3-0.

V. SCHEDULED AGENDA ITEMS

7:00 pm Department Heads - none present.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

1. After review of their schedules, a motion was made by Janvrin to set the date for Bulky Day on Saturday October 14, 2017 at the Highway Shed. This was seconded by Barham. The vote was unanimous 3-0.
2. Carlson outlined the Town Hall basement updates:
 - Finished door casings and doors being hung this week
 - Progress on steel I-beam, pending engineer's consideration, may be able to get a beam that will take up six inches less of headroom. Rick Foye has reviewed and is OK, had initial concerns about splitting up the room with the soffit to cover the beam, but the smaller version will be much less intrusive, and only be one-inch short of the code for that span of the room area.
3. Copies of the FFRD revised Points Plan were redistributed for Board review, along with information from Deputy Chief Nichols. The plan has been re-written to take out the retirement/retention (LOSAP) component and put all of the funds into Points instead. As with the FFRD SOP Manual, this will be reviewed and a work session scheduled with the Fire Rescue Department leadership.

4. Relative to the Complex generator updates, Janvrin said Generator Connection was asked about a 125 KW vs 80KW unit and asked to reevaluate the pricing on an 80 KW unit. Barrows needs to adjust for pricing increases and Janvrin is waiting for that information to come back. Janvrin said that the vendors have confirmed that the transfer switch does not need to be replaced just due to the switch from diesel to propane. The Board had some discussion about owning our own propane tanks and what size is needed.

Carlson also mentioned that she had contacted Charlie Niebling (a consultant the School District had used for evaluating their heating system options) and was trying to schedule some time to talk further with him about specifics of the Fremont Safety Complex.

5. Carlson distributed copies of updated Fire Rescue Department SOP document as submitted by Deputy Chief Kevin Zukas this week. The Board will review this at another meeting, possibly a work session.

6. The Town received the follow-up letter from John Ratigan regarding an interpretation from Town Counsel on the Ferwerda easement issue. Barham said this was shared at the Planning Board meeting last evening.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

1. Barham moved to approve the accounts payable manifest totaling \$268,715.29 dated August 18, 2017. This was seconded by Janvrin. The vote was unanimous 3-0.

2. A motion to approve the FCTV Revolving Fund Manifests dated August 18, 2017 number 2017-015 to Access AV \$74.00 for gaffer tape and number 2017-016 \$9.99 Ben Franklin for duct tape was made by Janvrin. This was seconded by Barham. The vote was unanimous 3-0.

3. The Board then reviewed the folder of incoming correspondence.

4. A motion to approve the Cooperage Forest Escrow Manifest #2017-021 CFE in the amount of \$1,255.00 payable to CWS Fence & Guardrail for the replacement guardrail work on Spaulding Road within the first phase of this subdivision was made by Barham. This was seconded by Janvrin. The vote was unanimous 3-0. This will come from the escrow account set aside for this purpose.

VIII. WORKS IN PROGRESS

1. The Town has received some information relative to the Safety Complex roof, as this is a potential budget matter, but is still waiting for data in the life of the existing roof is yet to be determined.

2. Carlson passed out the Budget requests for 2018 review of the Town Clerk Tax Collector and the Conservation Commission.

As the Town is at the end of current contract with Plodzick & Sanderson for auditing Cordes requested a quote for another 3 year-term from them be made available for budgeting.

3. The Road Agent and Carlson are working on winter plow contracts for the ensuing two-year winter season (2017-2019).

4. Additional review of resumes and interviews are being conducted for the Selectmen's Office Clerical position as well as the Highway Department laborer/equipment operator position.

5. A Public Hearing will be held next week on acceptance and expenditure of the SB 38 additional NH DOT Highway Block Grant funds. The Board has asked for Road Agent Leon Holmes Jr to make a list of his road work priorities as part of the discussion at the Public Hearing next week.

At the September 7, 2017 meeting, Selectmen will hold an information session with the NH Association to discuss the upcoming Grass Drags event. All abutters and Martin Road residents have been invited to this session, which will be held at Fremont Town Hall.

At 7:38 pm Janvrin moved to enter non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A 3: II (c) and (e) to discuss a personnel and a legal matter. Cordes seconded and the roll call vote was unanimously approved 3-0; Cordes-yes; Janvrin-yes; Barham-yes.

Many applications were received for the Selectmen's Office position and a couple of candidates were interviewed by the Board to get their input and answer their questions. No decisions were made.

Nygren left the meeting at 9:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanne Nygren
Selectmen's Clerk

At 9:15 pm Selectmen returned to public session. The Board will follow up on the personnel matter when the document requested has been received from the Fire Chief.

The Board asked for a "tracked changes" document from the Fire Rescue Department relative to the new Points Plan proposal.

With no further business which may legally come before the Board, motion was made by Janvrin to adjourn the meeting at 9:35 pm. Barham seconded and the vote was approved 3-0.

The next regular Board meeting will be held on Thursday August 24, 2017 at 6:30 pm at the Fremont Public Library.

Respectfully submitted,

Heidi Carlson
Town Administrator