

I. CALL TO ORDER The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm in the basement meeting room at the Fremont Town Hall. Present were Selectmen Gene Cordes, Neal Janvrin, and Roger Barham; Town Administrator Heidi Carlson and Selectmen's Clerk Kathy Clement. Bill Millios from FCTV is live broadcasting this meeting. All rose for the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. The Town's Winter Parking Ban is in effect through April 1st from midnight to 6:00 am.
2. Voting took place for all Town and School District officers and Warrant Articles on Tuesday March 13, 2018. The results are posted in Town Buildings and the Town website.
3. The Road Weight Limit Posting went into effect on Rogers Road and Shirkin Road on Tuesday February 27th in accordance with the Town's Frost Ban Ordinance. No vehicle over 10 Tons GVW can be on these roads through the spring thaw season. Signs will be removed when the ban is lifted.
4. Trash will be delayed again this week due to the storm, Thursday pick up is on Friday, Friday pick up is on Saturday.
5. Storm update: Cordes noted that the Road Agent, his employees and contractors did a good job keeping up with and clean up of the snow storm. There were no road closures this storm.

III. LIAISON REPORTS

03/13/2018 Selectmen met during the polling hours and worked on a couple of letters that were sent out. Carlson will provide minutes for approval next week.

Barham mentioned there was a RPC Commissioners meeting on 03/14/2018 but he was unable to attend.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion to approve the minutes of March 8, 2018 meeting as written was made by Barham. This was seconded by Janvrin. The vote was unanimous 3-0.

V. SCHEDULED AGENDA ITEMS

6:45 pm Public Input – David Gaudet spoke to the Selectmen regarding two lots on Sunny Lane, that were sold to his sister in 2014. He explained that she had died of cancer and her children were trying to settle her affairs. He referred to the deed for these lots, which were sold by the Town as non-buildable lots. He wanted to have the deed rewritten to say that they were buildable lots to be able to sell these lots as separate building lots so that his nieces could pay for college.

There was discussion about the density of the area already, and Board members explained that they had sold these lots as non-buildable to an abutter only, specifically to avoid having additional homes built in an area that already has difficulty supporting well and septic systems from homes that have been converted to year round, which used to be camps. The Board did not feel that they could change the deeds wording at this point, because the Town no longer owns the land. They mentioned a Zoning Board process, but the Selectmen advised that with the deed restriction, they did not believe the ZBA could hear it.

Gaudet thanked the Board for their time and he left the meeting at approximately 7:00 pm.

7:00 pm Department Heads - None

At 7:30 pm Liberty Utilities (Mike Licata and Huck Montgomery) gave a presentation to the Selectmen and representatives from the Fremont Fire Rescue Department on the Granite Bridge Project which is a natural gas pipeline scheduled to go in the NHDOT Energy Infrastructure Corridor from Stratham to Manchester, within the NH Route 101 road right-of-way. They are also proposing a storage facility in Epping.

The 2016 NH Legislature designated Energy Infrastructure Corridors on several major highways, and this proposal is in one for a section of NH Route 101 from Stratham to Manchester. This means that the Site Evaluation Committee (SEC) has jurisdiction over the application, not the local land use boards. Granite Bridge plans to have their submission for the Epping site submitted to the SEC by December 2018. They indicated that this Committee is made up of many representatives from NH State Agencies and Boards, such as PUC, DRED, DOT, DES and others.

The storage facility in Epping will hold two billion cubic feet of liquefied natural gas (LNG). For comparison, 1 CF is equal to 7.48 liquid gallons. The storage site will be on a 140 acre parcel in Epping just off Route 101 (area of Exit 6) and is not directly abutting Fremont but very close. The requirements include that the site must be able to contain the entire facility in the case of a catastrophic failure, meaning that no leak, spill or other problem must be contained on their land and cannot spread to abutting properties. They detailed out information (all available on their website at www.granitebridgenh.com) about the specifications of the site, their planning and permitting stages for the next several years.

The site is an old quarry, so the tank itself will sit down in the quarry, making it more aesthetically pleasing, as well as better able to contain itself.

There will always be two employees on site, and it is not a normal storage depot that fills trucks, it simply feeds the pipeline, with little truck traffic in and out of the site. The pipeline itself is a 16" pipe and is buried between four and 100 feet underground depending on the areas it traverses. They explained several environmental aspects of the project as well. They stated that this fills an existing need to bring more natural gas to customers of NH.

Copies of the presentation were left behind and as time permits, will be added to the Town's website. Fremont officials indicated that they wanted to be involved in the process throughout, and asked to be kept apprised of when public input sessions would be, and how the permitting application process proceeds.

At 8:10 pm Janvrin made a motion to have a 5-minute recess. Barham seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous 3-0.

At 8:15 pm the meeting returned from recess.

At 8:15 pm Selectmen briefly talked further with Fire Rescue Chief Officers about changes made to the Points Plan to be sure it was compliant with all laws. This has been distributed to all members and any comments are requested back to the Board by 03/29/2018 so the updated Plan can be adopted. Carlson explained that the membership are all considered employees, but the term used in the plan is members based on how the points are paid out. Chief Officers did not have any further comments about the revisions.

Adoption of the new plan, which is an interim fit for the current Points Year (11/01/2017 to 10/31/2018) is slated for the Board's meeting of March 29, 2018.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

1. A community Earth Day cleanup is being organized for April 21, 2018 from 9 am to 12 noon. Bags will be available for pick up starting April 16 at the Town Hall and Ellis School. Those working the day's collection and final drop off being at the Highway Shed to dumpsters that will be provided to coincide with Bulky Day in the spring. Volunteers are being sought for cleanup, and some who will drive around and pick up bags later that morning. Anyone interested in volunteering can contact Jamie Thompson, Rich Cooper, or Kathy in the Selectmen's Office. Janvrin volunteered to help with the pickups.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

1. Board reorganization: Janvrin made a motion to appoint Cordes as the Chair for the ensuing year. Barham seconded and the vote was unanimous 3-0. (Janvrin took his Oath of Office before the meeting). Barham made a motion to reappointment Neal Janvrin as Alternate Selectmen's Representative to the Budget Committee and Planning Board. Cordes seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous 3-0. These appointments go with Janvrin's term as a Selectman, through March 2021.

2. Janvrin made a motion to approve the Accounts Payable manifest of \$34,674.23 for the current week dated March 16, 2018. Barham seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous 3-0.

3. Selectmen reviewed the folder of incoming correspondence. The results for the MtBE (VOC) water tests came back and the tests were good for all the Town Buildings tested, including Town Hall, Library and Safety Complex.

4. Barham made a motion to approve the 2018-2019 Intent to Excavate for parcel 02-151.002 owned by Fremont Land LLC. Janvrin seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous 3-0.

5. Cordes read through the listing of appointments/renewals for the ensuing year:

Timothy P Lavelle, Planning Board for three years to 2021
Brett Hunter, Planning Board for three years to 2021
Richard Butler, Heating Inspector for one year to 2019
Richard Butler, Fire Chief for one year to 2019
Neal Janvrin, Zoning Board of Adjustment for three years to 2021
Bruce White, FCTV Committee for three years to 2021
Mark DeVeber, Emergency Management Director for one year to 2019
Neal Janvrin, SRRDD 53-B Representative for one year to 2019
Leanne Miner, Conservation Commission for three years to 2021
William Knee, Conservation Commission for three years to 2021
Mary Dutton, Deputy Treasurer for one year to 2019 (appointed by Treasurer with concurrence by Selectmen)

Janvrin made a motion to approve the Appointments as read by Chairman Cordes. Barham seconded and the vote was unanimously in favor 3-0. Those appointees present in the building this evening were sworn in by Carlson.

The Town Clerk will be asked to report back to the Board next week on the status of getting all these appointees sworn in, as well as the Oath of Office for all newly elected officials.

Parks and Recreation is recommending Debra Nichols to fill a vacancy on the Commission. Nicole Cloutier will follow-up with a time for Mrs Nichols to come in and be appointed as a new member.

6. Bulky Day has been set for Saturday April 28, 2018 from 8:00 am to 12 noon. It will be held at the Fremont Highway Department at 113 Danville Road. Volunteers are needed, anyone interested can call the Selectmen's Office or send an email to fremontta@comcast.net.

7. Barham made a motion to renew the mosquito control contracts with Municipal Pest Management Services Inc. for \$12,000.00 and Swamp Inc. for \$37,550.00 and to have Cordes sign on behalf of the Selectmen. Janvrin seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous 3-0. These contracts are the same as last year, and the funding was approved at Town Meeting on Tuesday.

8. Janvrin made a motion to approve the April Newsletter as written. Barham seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous 3-0. Carlson added that she will put in a notice about Bulky Day as well.

9. Janvrin made a motion to approve the Intent to Cut for parcels 04-070, 04-072, 04-073, 04-074, 04-075 owned by Stephen Bassett, Heritage Farm Trust. Barham seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous 3-0.

10. The windshield was broken in the highway one-ton truck during the storm on March 8th. An insurance claim has been filed and it is expected to be repaired next week. Insurance covers all but a \$100 deductible.

11. Selectmen will review the Media Relations Policy to review and then adopt. Carlson will email out copies as well.

Janvrin made a motion to have a 5-minute recess at 7:25 pm. Barham seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous 3-0. The meeting returned to session at 7:30 pm.

12. The Road Agent spoke to GMI Asphalt and they are coming next week to look at what the road projects are and to see what needs to be done. Leon is hoping to have the prep work done, and have some paving done by June.

VIII. WORKS IN PROGRESS

Carlson advised that the background checks for Don Bourassa have all come back satisfactory and she will proceed hiring him for the Parks & Recreation Maintenance position.

IX. NON-PUBLIC SESSION NH RSA 91-A:3 II

At 8:37 pm Janvrin moved to enter non-public session pursuant to NH RSA 91-A:3 II (c) to discuss a personnel matter. Barham seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous 3-0; Cordes – yes, Barham – yes, and Janvrin – yes.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Clement
Selectmen's Clerk

At 8:40 pm the Board began their non-public discussion relative to a personnel matter.

At 8:45 pm motion was made by Janvrin to return to public session. Barham seconded and the vote was unanimously approved on a roll call vote: Cordes – yes; Janvrin – yes; Barham – yes.

Motion was made by Janvrin to appoint Gregg Arvanitis to the vacant Building Inspector position conditioned on a final background check for a six month probationary period. The rate of pay is to be the same as the current inspector. Barham seconded and the vote was unanimously approved 3-0.

The next regular Board meeting will be held on Thursday, March 22, 2018 at 6:30 pm in the basement meeting room at the Fremont Town Hall.

X. ADJOURNMENT by 9:00 pm

At 8:50 pm motion was made by Janvrin to adjourn the meeting. Barham seconded and the vote was unanimously approved 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Heidi Carlson
Town Administrator