

I. CALL TO ORDER The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm in the basement meeting room at the Town Hall. Present were Selectmen Gene Cordes, Neal Janvrin, Roger Barham and Selectmen's Clerk Jeanne Nygren. Also in the audience was School Board member Gordon Muench, and resident Michelle Gallant, a Parks and Recreation Commission candidate. All rose for the Pledge of Allegiance. This meeting is a live broadcast by Bruce White from FCTV.

II. ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. The Sandown Road Bridge Overflow (at the Sandown/Fremont town line in Fremont) is now open for only one lane of travel. There are signs and the site will be lit in the evenings. Drivers should use caution in this area at all times.
2. Winnie the Pooh will be performed by the Ellis School Drama Program tonight and tomorrow night at 6:30 pm. Contact the School for more information.
3. The 2019 RABIES CLINIC will be held this Saturday from 8:30 am to 1:30 pm at the Fremont Safety Complex. The public is welcome.
4. The Annual Easter Egg Hunt will take place on Sunday April 14 at the Ellis School Fields beginning promptly at 12:30 pm.
5. New tax credit and exemption applications are due by 12 noon on Monday April 15, 2019 at the Selectmen's Office.
6. Roadside cleanup for Earth Day will take place on Saturday May 4. This will be done in combination with a Community / Library Open House and Cookout following the cleanup! Open House events will take place at the Fremont Public Library from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. The town-wide yard sale will also take place this day. Additional information is available on the Town's website.
7. Spring Bulky Day is Saturday May 18 from 8:00 am to 12 noon. The Garden Club Plant Sale will also take place on May 18th at the Fremont Public Library.
8. Camp Fremont has been cancelled for this summer.
9. The Town is saddened by the death of long-time Town and School District employee Marlene Emery, who passed away on March 22. A Memorial Service will be held at the Fremont Public Library on Sunday April 28th at 2:00 pm.

III. LIAISON REPORTS

The Planning Board met Wednesday 03 April 2019 at 7:00 pm in the Basement Meeting Room. The following topics were discussed:

1. Public Hearing Parcel Map 6 Lot 47-1-1 at 117 Tavern Drive
 - a. The owner proposes to subdivide a 36.9 acre parcel into (i) 3.45 acre existing residential and (ii) 33.4 acres for conservation.
 - b. The Board voted to approve this subdivision with minor conditions.
2. Dispute on Engineering Charges Altaeros Energies 662 Main Street (Map 2 Lot 151.002):
 - a. The Board reviewed a request by the applicant to remove some charges.
 - b. The Board voted (3-2) that the charges stand as submitted.

3. Planning Board RFP for Town Engineer Services:
 - a. The Board reviewed a draft RFP for Town Engineer services on behalf of the planning Board.
 - b. The Board voted to issue the RFP (with minor amendments) with the intent to secure three approved companies.
 - c. The Board confirmed they wish for Stantec to be invited to bid.

4. Official Zoning Map:
 - a. Jenn Rowden presented the Board with a new Zoning Map amended to reflect the zoning changes approved by the Town.
 - b. The Board voted to accept the map as the Town Official Zoning Map.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 17 April 2019.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion to approve the March 28, 2019 minutes as written was made by Janvrin and seconded by Barham. The vote was unanimous approved 3-0.

V. SCHEDULED AGENDA ITEMS

At 6:35 pm Michelle Gallant was introduced as a candidate for three year Parks & Recreation position that is currently vacant. She has been a Fremont resident for a year and a half with two children, and is currently part of the Parks & Recreation Play Group willing to volunteer for the open Committee position. A motion was made by Barham and seconded by Janvrin to appoint Michelle Gallant to the three year Parks and Recreation Commission term through March 2022. The vote was unanimously approved 3-0. She was sworn in by Selectman Janvrin. She was officially thanked and welcomed as a member of the Parks and Recreation Commission. She left the meeting at 6:55 pm.

At 6:50 pm Horace Wood IV of 107 Copp Drive Unit 3 came to request a letter from the Board regarding his appeal filed with the New Hampshire Retirement System regarding his denied claim of eligibility for the health insurance stipend.

Wood stated as a retired police officer he is eligible for the Group II retirement medical subsidy. Of note, this eligibility as of July 1, 2000 was changed in the Statute, to active contributing members no longer being qualified. He provided copies of all documents that were reviewed and sent to NHRS where he was denied indicating he was not a full time employee and not a contributing member as of June 30, 2000 thus denying his medical subsidy request. The pay records submitted to NHRS didn't indicate him as a full time police officer contributing to the system prior to this date.

Wood was sworn in by the Fremont Town Clerk on June 30, 2000, and he feels he was a full time police officer as of that date. He also produced pay record data (generated by the Town's records and the PD IMC reporting system) which Carlson had submitted to NHRS at their request. Wood feels his part-time police officer work hours that were over 40 hours on prior weeks. Because his denial was based on the difference of one day for eligibility, he is hoping the Board will supply a letter that might change the NHRS decision. Cordes realizes this is very important to him and his family for this coverage, but NHRS has already denied his claim. He stated the Board will review all this again. No decisions were made and Wood left the meeting at 6:55 pm.

At 6:57 pm Melissa Gates wished to meet with the Board regarding her displeasure with the Fremont School Board determining to not renew a special education teacher's contract. This teacher was her son's case manager, and she received notice of this and wished to express her opinion to the School Board and possibly change their minds at their upcoming April 9, 2019 meeting. She states the School Board addressed it early, at a meeting on April 1st, and that agenda posting did not have listed non-public session with any specific RSA listed with agenda items.

With no personnel matter listed on the April 1 agenda, she didn't attend this meeting as she wanted to be able to speak with School Board to give her feelings on how this case manager has helped with her son. Since that time the case manager has submitted her resignation. Gates is frustrated that due to what she feels that agenda posting not being accurate, she wasn't given the opportunity to follow through with her right to express her side to the School Board as a resident.

Gates was under the impression that the Selectmen controlled the School Board's decisions which Cordes explained to her the Board of Selectmen will listen to her as a resident, but this is a School Board decision that the Selectmen have no control over and the School Board members are voted in by the Town's residents.

Gates has been in contact with the NH Department of Education on School Board responsibilities on RSA postings, whose attorney replied local control issues fall to the SAU office. She has an appointment set to meet with the School Board on April 9, 2019.

7:00 pm Department Heads - none

VI. OLD BUSINESS

1. The date for a meeting with Martin Ferwerda and his attorney regarding Governor's Forest is set for 6:00 pm on Wednesday April 24, 2019. Carlson has send confirmations to the attorneys and town staff that is due to be present. Board members confirmed this is all set in their schedules.
2. Selectmen signed the appointment forms in follow-up to votes last week to appoint Richard D Butler as the Town's Heating Inspector and Forest Fire Warden each for a one year term to expire March 2020.
3. The Library Trustees have made additional wage adjustments to two library employees, so the 2019 wage schedule has been updated for Eric Abney and Cathy Murdock.
4. A motion to execute and sign the MOU agreements to coincide with Health Officer and EMD Appointments was made by Barham and seconded by Janvrin. The vote was unanimous 3-0.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

1. Selectmen reviewed the folder of incoming correspondence.
2. A motion to approve the payroll manifest of \$30,929.33 for the current week dated April 5, 2019 was made by Barham and seconded by Janvrin. The vote was unanimous 3-0.

A motion to approve the accounts payable of \$34,248.55 manifests for the current week dated April 5, 2019 was made by Janvrin and seconded by Barham. The vote was unanimous 3-0.

3. A motion was made by Barham to approve All Veteran Credits for:
Kirk Markee, 37 Hall Road, Parcel 03-015.001.031

Eric Abney, 171 Whittier Drive, Parcel 03-169.059.007
Janvrin seconded and the vote was unanimously approved 3-0.

4. The March budget report was circulated for Board review.

5. Nygren gave an updated on the Memorial Day Parade to date with confirmation to put flags on Eversource poles and Abe Lincoln being present to recite the Gettysburg Address. The Dunlap Band is also confirmed. We are still waiting on confirmation from NH DOT on the road closure for the parade, and the sound system provider.

6. A concerned Fremont resident submitted a notice received of the upcoming April 11, 2019 Epping Planning Board meeting regarding a proposal by Sam Patterson for an Asphalt Processing Plant on Shirkin Road in Epping. Selectmen reviewed the notice. There are significant concerns from Fremont residents about the added traffic, noise and other issues caused by this, in light of the many other businesses on Shirkin Road in Epping which use Fremont Roads and cause significant damage, pain, suffering, etc to Fremont residents with absolutely no benefits. A letter will be prepared to send to the Epping Planning Board recapping these concerns.

7. As the spring season begins, the ballfields have opened and Don Bourassa has begun spring cleanup. One of the items "uncovered" with the spring startup is significant loss of roof shingles. Carlson is obtaining an estimate for replacement of the roof, as the building is nearing 20 years of age.

8. The Tax Collector has submitted interest abatements that total \$8.33 that were overlooked and not a significant amounts to process as liens. A motion was made by Janvrin and seconded by Barham to abate the following amounts, each under the \$5 threshold:

Parcel 05-009 Hard Rock Development, LLC \$3.48
Parcel 01-035.001 Harris \$0.95
Parcel 04-078.00A McFarland \$0.51
Parcel 02-070 Palmer \$0.01
Parcel 06-005 SUSC Epping Realty \$0.77
Parcel 02-089.002 Tuttle \$0.77

This was seconded by Barham with unanimous vote 3-0. The Collector requested the abatements because to send the certified lien letter for each of these amounts will cost the Town/owner over \$6.00 each.

9. A motion to sign the Galloway-20 foot abutter authority letter to NH Department of Environmental Services Wetland Bureau agreed at last week's meeting was made by Roger and seconded by Janvrin. The vote was unanimous 3-0. This is relative to the Town's ownership of 05-014 and the work to be done within a 20 foot wetland setback on Shirkin Road.

VIII. WORKS IN PROGRESS

With no further business to come before the Board, a motion to adjourn at 7:36 pm was made by Barham and seconded by Janvrin. The vote was unanimous 3-0.

The next Board meeting will be held at 6:30 pm on Thursday April 11, 2019 at the Fremont Town Hall in the basement meeting room.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanne Nygren, Selectmen's Clerk