

**TOWN OF JAFFREY  
Jaffrey, New Hampshire**

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
Meeting Minutes  
April 13, 2009**

**Present:** Chairman Sterling, Selectman MacIsaac, Selectman Batchelder

**Absent:** None

**Staff:** Town Manager Hartman, Administrative Assistant Richard

**CALL TO ORDER**

Selectman Sterling called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**MEETING MINUTES APPROVAL**

The public meeting minutes for March 30, 2009 were tabled (3-0).

**PUBLIC HEARING**

None

**APPOINTMENTS**

**Rob Stephenson – Cemetery Committee**

Rob Stephenson handed out a Draft Cemetery Committee Resolution. Mr. Stephenson came before the Board because there was a question about nominating another member to the committee and there were no vacancies. The question was brought up about increasing the number of members on the committee.

Mr. Stephenson added under membership that there would be up to five members at large. The Board of Selectmen shall appoint a person for a term of three years. Should a vacancy occur at any time, the Board of Selectmen will appoint a replacement for the unexpired term. Mr. Stephenson will amend the document to include: “appoint a replacement for the unexpired term” to the Terms of Service in the Cemetery Committee Resolution.

Selectmen MacIsaac made a motion to adopt the Cemetery Committee Resolution with one amendment, seconded by Selectmen Batchelder and approved (3-0).

**Charlie Royce – Light at Jaffrey Center**

Mr. Royce came before the Board to discuss the blinking amber light on Main Street in Jaffrey Center at the intersection with Gilmore Pond Road. Mr. Royce said that he would like to see the light gone but realizes that it may not be a possibility. Mr. Royce said that he was behind a person driving in February who hit the pole holding the light and a police officer had

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disconnected the light because it was hanging just off the road and it has never been replaced. Mr. Royce asked the Selectmen for a recommendation.

Chairman Sterling asked Chief Oswald to comment on the light. Chief Oswald said that he doesn't personally believe that there's a compelling reason to have a light there.

Chairman Sterling said that he believes that some sort of light should go back up. He believes that the light is helping for drivers who are not familiar with road or intersection. He said that the blinking light cautions people to be aware that there is crossing traffic. Sterling said that the Historic District Commission did have a discussion about the pole and the suggestion was that a pole be put up on the southwest corner of the intersection.

Janet Grant stated that the Historic District Commission is in favor of having a light similar to what was there before. She also suggested that maybe putting up a sign that said "You are entering the Historic District of Jaffrey Center".

Chairman Sterling would talk with the Department of Transportation as to what they are going to do and the Board would get back to Mr. Royce and the Historic District Commission.

**Chief Oswald – JAG Grant**

Chief Oswald handed out a press release that was put together by Cheshire County Sheriff's Department. Oswald said the grant is called Justice Assistance Grant which is Recovery Act money. The town qualifies for over \$20,000 and we would receive \$10,000 and the county would receive \$10,000 for administration costs. The Police Department would use the money for the purchase of a digital mobile radio for a cruiser and for a software program that would help them manage evidence and property. Chief Oswald said that to maintain the software, the cost would be \$450 a year.

Town Manager Hartman told the Board that if the money is awarded the town would have to hold a public hearing to accept the money.

Chairman Selectmen thanked Chief Oswald for the great job he did putting the grant together.

**REGULAR BUSINESS**

**1) Payroll and Vendor Manifests**

On a motion by MacIsaac, seconded by Batchelder, the payroll and vendor manifests were approved (3-0).

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**2) Selectmen's Reports**

Sterling

Chairman Sterling reported that a meeting was held of the Southwest Region Planning Commissions Sub-committee of the Transportation Advisory Council. The State DOT asked the Regional Planning Commissioners to review and prioritize their the list after they were given five criteria. The results showed that Route 202 bypass had made second place on the priority list for road projects. This list will be forwarded to the DOT for their consideration when they formulate the next phase of the 10 year plan which could possibly be in this summer.

Chairman Sterling received a flyer to be posted at the Town Office which is regarding the US Census 2010 called In Our Hands asking us to do our part in making sure that we have a complete and accurate census.

Chairman Sterling announced that we have been approved by stimulus funds for Wastewater Treatment Filtration Plant in the amount of \$2,040,000. We will be having a Public Hearing and a Special Town Meeting on May 4, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at Conant High School Cafeteria. Chairman Sterling read the Notice of Public Hearing for the Special Town Meeting Warrant.

Hartman stated that the Budget Committee will be meeting on Wednesday, April 15, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Office regarding the Special Town Meeting.

MacIsaac

None

Batchelder

Selectmen Batchelder stated that she had her first two committee meetings which were Conservation Commission and Meetinghouse Committee and they were very enlightening.

**3) Town Manager's Report**

Town Manager Hartman announced that the Elite Laundry building was taken down today.

**4) Boat Tax Warrant**

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a) Fifteen (15) Boat Registrations \$100.56 – received April 6, 2009

On a motion by MacIsaac, seconded by Batchelder, fifteen (15) Boat Registrations in the amount of \$100.56 – received April 6, 2009 were approved (3-0).

b) Forty-two (42) Boat Registrations \$225.19 – received April 6, 2009

On a motion by MacIsaac, seconded by Batchelder, forty-two (42) Boat Registrations in the amount of \$225.19 – received April 6, 2009 were approved (3-0).

5) Notice of Intent to Excavate

a) #09-233-02 – Town of Jaffrey – Maria Drive – Map255/Lot8 – signed

b) #09-233-03 – Town of Jaffrey – Lehtinen Road – Map253/Lot20/1 – signed

6) Excavated Earth Tax Warrant 2008/2009

a) Operation # 08-233-03 – Felix Cloutier – Map253/Lot20 - \$100

On a motion by MacIsaac, seconded by Batchelder, Excavated Earth Tax Warrant 2008/2009 Operation # 08-233-03 – Felix Cloutier – Map253/Lot20 in the amount of \$100 was approved (3-0).

b) Operation # 08-233-01 – DPD Properties LLC – Map255/Lot8 - \$800.28

On a motion by MacIsaac, seconded by Batchelder, Excavated Earth Tax Warrant 2008/2009 Operation # 08-233-01 – DPD Properties LLC – Map255/Lot8 in the amount of \$800.28 was approved (3-0).

7) Timber Tax Levy

a) Silver Ranch – Map244/Lot5 - \$2,019.18

On a motion by MacIsaac, seconded by Batchelder, Timber Tax Levy for Silver Ranch - Map244/Lot5 in the amount of \$2,019.18 was approved (3-0).

b) Silver Ranch – Map244/Lot127 - \$1,772.43

On a motion by MacIsaac, seconded by Batchelder, Timber Tax Levy for Silver Ranch – Map244/Lot127 in the amount of \$1,772.43 was approved (3-0).

c) Mike Shea – Map209/Lot3 - \$159.51

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On a motion by MacIsaac, seconded by Batchelder, Timber Tax Levy for Mike Shea – Map209/Lot3 in the amount of \$159.51 was approved (3-0).

d) Phyllis Roy – Map237/Lot53 - \$1,572.45

On a motion by MacIsaac, seconded by Batchelder, Timber Tax Levy for Phyllis Roy – Map237/Lot53 in the amount of \$1,572.45 was approved (3-0).

e) David & Ellen Hedman – Map244/Lot131/132 - \$257.20

On a motion by MacIsaac, seconded by Batchelder, Timber Tax Levy for David & Ellen Hedman – Map244/Lot131/132 in the amount of \$257.20 was approved (3-0).

f) Justine Cook – Map252/Lot4 & 6 - \$507.24

On a motion by MacIsaac, seconded by Batchelder, Timber Tax Levy for Justine Cook – Map252/Lot4 & 6 in the amount of \$507.24 was approved (3-0).

g) Monadnock Christian Conf. Ctr. – Map219/Lot5 - \$234.08

On a motion by MacIsaac, seconded by Batchelder, Timber Tax Levy for Monadnock Christian Conference Center – Map219/Lot5 in the amount of \$234.08 was approved (3-0).

h) Monadnock Christian Conf. Ctr. – Map230/Lot3.1, 3.3, 3.4, 5, 7 - \$2,486.23

On a motion by MacIsaac, seconded by Batchelder, Timber Tax Levy for Monadnock Christian Conference Center – Map230/Lot3.1, 3.3, 3.4, 5, 7 in the amount of \$2,486.23 was approved (3-0).

8) Current Use Assessment Ranges 2009/2010

On a motion by MacIsaac, seconded by Batchelder, Current Use Assessment Ranges for 2009/2010 were approved (3-0) as indicated below:

FARMLAND	\$25 - \$425 per acre	*****
FOREST LAND	Forest Land <b><u>WITH</u></b> Documented Stewardship	Forest Land <b><u>WITHOUT</u></b> Documented Stewardship
White Pine	\$86 - \$130 per acre	\$128 - \$192 per acre
Hardwood	\$20 - \$34 per acre	\$57 - \$86 per acre

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All Other ( <b>Including Naturally Seeded Christmas Trees</b> )	\$49 - \$74 per acre	\$86 - \$129 per acre
UNPRODUCTIVE LAND	\$20 per acre	*****
WETLAND	\$20 per acre	*****

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9) Abatement Request Response from Vision

a) James Totherow – Map227/Lot6

On a motion by MacIsaac, seconded by Batchelder, Vision Appraisals Recommendation to remove the location code (LC3) and change EAF to EAU making the Net Total Appraised Parcel Value \$131,852 was approved (3-0).

10) Request from Jaffrey Grade School Parent’s Group

a) Request to hold Spring Event on May 8, 2009 with a 50/50 raffle and raffle baskets

On a motion by MacIsaac, seconded by Batchelder, request for Jaffrey Grade School Parent’s Group to hold a Spring Event on May 8, 2009 with a 50/50 raffle and raffle baskets with the stipulation that tickets would not be sold to anyone under the age of 18 years old was approved (3-0).

11) Request for Pistol Permit Refund

a) Fee of \$10.00 for refund of Pistol Permit

On a motion by MacIsaac, seconded by Batchelder, request for pistol permit refund was approved (3-0).

12) Water & Sewer Commitment Cycle 4

On a motion by MacIsaac, seconded by Batchelder, Water Commitment for 2009 Cycle 4 in the amount of \$75,684.56 and Sewer Commitment for 2009 Cycle 4 in the amount of \$95,327.29 was approved (3-0).

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13) Notice of Intent to Cut Wood or Timber

- a) #09-233-01 – Map230/Lots3.1, 3.3, 3.4, 5 & 7 – Dublin Road – signed
- b) #09-233-02 – Map219/Lot5 – Dublin Road & Keene Road – signed

14) Committee Reappointments

Zoning Board of Adjustments – James Dumont  
Zoning Board of Adjustments – Ernest Belletete  
Conservation Commission – John O. Field  
Economic Development Council – James Dumont  
Economic Development Council – Steve Krause  
Economic Development Council – Kathleen Batchelder

Committee Appointment

On a motion by MacIsaac, seconded by Batchelder, all committee reappointments were approved (3-0).

15) Request for Appoint to Economic Development Council

- a) William Schofield to be appointed to Economic Development Council

On a motion by MacIsaac, seconded by Batchelder, William Schofield was appointed to the Economic Development Council (3-0).

15) Request for Appoint to Cemetery Committee

- a) Kevin Sterling to be appointed to Cemetery Committee for three year term

On a motion by MacIsaac, seconded by Batchelder, Kevin Sterling was appointed to the Cemetery Committee (3-0).

**OTHER BUSINESS**

None

**NON-PUBLIC SESSION**

None

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**ADJOURNMENT**

On a motion by MacIsaac, seconded by Batchelder, the meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m. (3-0).

Submitted:

Attest:

Sue Richard  
Administrative Assistant

Franklin W. Sterling, Jr.  
Chairman  
Board of Selectmen