

Approved

Town of New Boston Selectmen's Meeting November 21, 2016

PRESENT: Joe Constance Selectman
Rodney Towne Selectman
Christine Quirk Selectman
Peter Flynn Town Administrator

Lynn Wawrzyniak, Transfer Station Manager Gerry Cornett, Road Agent Dick Perusse, School Board Chairman Wendy Lambert, Recreation Director Mike Sindoni and Recreation Commission Chairman David Hulick of the public were present.

A. CALL TO ORDER: A regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen was called to order by Christine Quirk at 6:00 PM beginning with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consent Agenda-The Selectmen signed the consent agenda. Rodney moved to approve the consent agenda. Joe seconded the motion. All were in favor. 3-0

B. PUBLIC FORUM:

None.

C. APPOINTMENTS:

Item 1: Lynn Wawrzyniak-Introduction And Also Approval Requested To Appoint As A Member To The Recreation Commission As Proposed By The Recreation Commission:

Peter noted the Recreation Commission has made a recommendation to fill the seat left by Lee Brown. Lynn Wawrzyniak is here tonight to meet the Selectmen as she is interested in volunteering with the Commission. Dave Hulick was present and noted he is the current Recreation Commission Chairman, serving the Commission since 1990. He noted the Commission has a long history of collaborating with the school and appreciates the school's generosity of using its space when the Recreation Department has none. Lynn is a teacher at the school and the Commission is hoping this will help with communication between the Commission and the school. Joe asked Lynn what she likes to do best in the Recreation activities. Lynn said she has three children so they are very active in the children's activities and running the concession stand. Joe asked how Lynn would like to see the Recreation Department grow or change. Lynn said there is a wide variety of activities offered by the Recreation Department and they are meeting a variety of needs. She is not actively involved in activities that don't involve children but she wants to learn and help serve the community and its citizens of all ages. Joe moved to approve Lynn Wawrzyniak as a Recreation Commissioner to fill the remaining term of Lee Brown who resigned from the Commission. Rodney seconded the motion. All were in favor. 3-0

D. OLD BUSINESS:

Item 2: Adoption of Public Minutes and Non-Public Minutes of November 7, 2016: The Selectmen reviewed the Public and Non-Public Minutes of November 7, 2016 and made an amendment to the Public minutes. Joe moved the Public minutes of November 7, 2016 be accepted as amended and the Non-Public minutes be accepted as presented and sealed for twenty years. Rodney seconded the motion. All were in favor. 3-0

Item 2: Bailey Pond Road Discussion-Continued: Rodney reported he met with Road Agent Dick Perusse, Road Committee member Willard Dodge, Open Space Committee Chairman Ken Lombard and Betsey McNaughten from NH Fish and Game today to discuss the status of Bailey Pond Road. Rodney had a concern over the state owning the road but New Boston has responsibility for maintenance, which is the agreement the Selectmen entered into in 1963 when they petitioned the state to put Bailey Pond Road in for access to Bailey Pond under a state program. They wrote to the Governor and Council asking it be called a class 5 road and the only way to change this in a downward fashion is to write to the Governor and Council again. The road can be improved but cannot be blocked. It is a piece of state property, built and paid for by the state and care and maintenance was turned over to New Boston. A turnaround at the end of Bailey Pond Road was discussed, Betsey didn't have any issues with that but wanted to make sure it is called an improvement to the beach area and parking. This is the terminology for any future change made to the beach end. The road can be treated as a New Boston road as far as driveway permitting and maintenance although it is state property. Rodney reviewed the file five years ago; Betsey had a file and was able to clarify these aspects. Road Agent Dick Perusse was present and noted the bounds were viewed today when they visited the road and found to be consistent with the blueprints from 1962. The Highway Department will try to create the turnaround this year if time allows. If not, they will figure out a turnaround procedure for plowing this winter. Plowing status has varied over the years but the Highway Department has been maintaining the road to the end for a couple years.

E. NEW BUSINESS:

Item 3: Draft Warrant Discussion and Approval Request: Peter reported the draft Warrant is prepared for Selectmen review. The Public Hearing on the C.I.P Warrant Articles is tomorrow night. The Fire Wards are meeting tonight. The fire station Article is not included in the draft yet. The CIP Warrant Articles are included with some increases and decreases in the requests. The Article for the bus is not a CIP Article but is included. The Salt Shed is on the CIP Schedule but will not be a CRF. The Bedford Road improvement Article is for reclamation and drainage from McCurdy Road to Christie Road. Rodney noted the Selectmen are not ready to review or comment on the Warrant Articles pending the CIP Public Hearing and Finance Committee completion.

F. OTHER BUSINESS:

Item 4: Request For Board Approval to Adjust Employee Contribution for Health Insurance Costs: Peter reported Health Insurance premiums increased 1.7%, which is lower in New Boston than any other municipality or school district he knows of. Peter discussed several

possible options and recommended passing this cost on to the employees. The Selectmen agreed by consensus to follow Peter's recommendation.

Item 6: Town Administrators Report:

- Old Coach Road Issue with Fairpoint: Peter called Senator and is waiting for a return call. Peter will then decide if a letter to the PUC is necessary.
- Planning Board Public Hearing: This will take place tomorrow night.
- Finance Committee: The meeting process is progressing well. The Committee will meet December 8 to view the Fire Station Powerpoint Presentation as presented to the CIP Committee. The Committee will review the School District budget December 15.
- Insurance Counsel: Peter informed the Town's insurance carrier's counsel to address all correspondence to him in the future. He will keep the Board apprised of the progress and decisions.
- Bailey Pond Road: As reported in Item #2.
- Disposal of 1999 Ambulance: Peter and Dan expect to have a recommendation at the next Selectmen's meeting.
- Revenues and Expenses: The Fire Department will not overspend, items will be moved around in the budget to cover this concern.

Item 7: Selectmen's Reports:

Joe reported the Forestry Committee members Tom Miller and Carter Brown staked out the last three test areas at the Colby Lot and GPS'd them. Carter and Joe will return to fully mark the rest. The Forestry Committee decided GPS is a great procedure and will continue.

Public Forum:

Transfer Station Manager Gerry Cornett was present to meet with the Selectmen to update them on Transfer Station business as follows:

- Gerry researched the purchase of a skid steer as the Selectmen asked. He recommends a skid steer for purchase that he found in Colorado. It is a 2004 Caterpillar with a Mitsubishi motor, 1200 hours, and one owner in phenomenal condition. The owner is Bob McKelvey whose business is not going well and he is now selling his equipment. He was asking \$19,000, Gerry offered \$18,000 and Bob accepted. The shipping cost is expected to be \$1,850, lower than anticipated with a bonded and insured shipper. This amount is available in the Transfer Station budget with anticipated surplus of \$40,000 in 2016. This equipment is worth \$24,000. Gerry compared it with others he found locally that were not well taken care of. This equipment is \$50,000 new. The current Transfer Station skid steer will be sold for approximately \$5,000. Joe moved to accept the proposal to purchase the skid steer from Bob McKelvey at a total cost of \$19,800 including shipping with the proceeds from the old skid steer to be put toward the purchase. Rodney seconded the motion. All were in favor. 3-0
- Gerry was able to decrease the requested amount for the Transfer Station 2017 budget by \$7,700.
- Gerry will be out for an extended period of time as of November 28, 2016. Dick will be assisting the Transfer Station staff. Gerry thanked Dick for this.

Item 7: Request for Non-Public per RSA 91-A: 3, II(c): Joe made a motion to go into Non-Public session per RSA 91-A: II(c) at 6:32 PM. Rodney seconded the motion. Poll vote taken: Joe-yes, Rodney-yes and Christine –yes. (3-0) The Board then entered non-public session after the poll vote.

Move to exit Non-Public Session: Joe made a motion to exit Non-Public Session at 7:38PM. Christine seconded the motion. All were in favor. 3-0

Rodney moved to seal the non-public minutes of November 21 for 25 years. Joe seconded. All voted in favor 3-0.

ADJOURNMENT: Joe made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:39PM. Rodney seconded the motion. All were in favor. 3-0

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