

**New Durham Board of Selectmen  
Public Meeting Minutes  
Town Hall  
Monday, May 11, 2015**

**Present:** David Bickford, David Swenson, Gregory Anthes

**Also Present:** Jeremy Bourgeois-Town Administrator, Scott Drummey-Planning Board Representative, Two Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer/Health Officer Candidates

Meeting called to order at 6:00 P.M. by Chair Bickford.

The Board discussed the Library Trustees being videotaped. Selectman Swenson stated he believes it is up to the Trustees and recommends inviting the Chair to a Board meeting. The other members concurred and asked the Town Administrator to invite them to the next meeting.

**Chair Bickford made a motion to go into nonpublic session, pursuant to RSA 91-A: 3 II (a) – the dismissal, promotion or compensation of any public employee or the disciplining of such employee & (c)- matter which, if discussed in public would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person, other than a member of the public body itself, unless such person requests an open meeting. This exemption shall extend to any application for assistance or tax abatement or waiver of a fee, fine or other levy, if based on inability to pay or poverty of the applicant. Selectman Anthes seconded the motion. Roll Call: Selectman Anthes – Aye; Chair Bickford- Aye; Selectman Swenson- Aye.**

The Board entered nonpublic session at 3:31 P.M. in the Town Hall conference room.

**Selectman Swenson made a motion to seal the nonpublic minutes. Chair Bickford seconded the motion. Motion passed, 3-0.**

**Selectman Swenson made a motion to leave nonpublic session. Chair Bickford seconded the motion. Motion passed, 3-0.**

The Board left nonpublic session at 8:18 P.M.

**Selectman Swenson made a motion to offer Joseph Asbury the Building Inspector, Code Enforcement Officer, and Health Officer position at the rate of \$20 per hour up to 20 hours per week upon successful completion of a background and reference check, physical, and drug test. This position includes the \$1,400 annual stipend for the Health officer position. Chair Bickford seconded the motion. Motion passed, 2-1. Selectman Anthes was opposed.**

Selectman Anthes stated he had another issue to discuss that would fall under a nonpublic session.

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While in nonpublic session the Board discussed a potential issue involving a New Durham employee.

**Selectman Swenson made a motion to adjourn. Chair Bickford seconded the motion. Motion passed, 3-0.**

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Jeremy Bourgeois, Town Administrator*