Town of Washington

Board of Selectmen

Meeting Minutes

August 17, 2017, Selectmen Meeting 7:00 pm at the Office Trailer.

ASSEMBLY

MEMBERS: Bob Williams, Al Krygeris, Tom Marshall

1.2 Visitors: Tom Burt, Chief DeFosse, Shawn Atkins

2.0 Minutes: Krygeris moved to approve the meeting minutes of August 10, 2017, Marshall second all voted in favor.

IMPORTANT DATES:

August 24, 2017, Selectmen office hours 9-4, evening meeting 7:00 pm at the Office Trailer

August 28, 2017, Cemetery Trustee meeting, 7:00 at Camp Morgan Lodge

September 5, 2017, Planning Board Public hearing 6:00 pm meeting to follow at 6:30 pm at Camp Morgan Lodge

September 7, 2017 Public Hearing 6:30 pm, to accept the additional Highway Block Grant at the office trailer.

September 13, 2017, Park & Rec meeting, 6:00 pm being held at Camp Morgan Lodge

September 20, 2017 Conservation Commission 7:00 pm being held at 54 Bear Hill Road, East Washington

September 25, Cemetery Trustees meeting 7:00 pm being held at Camp Morgan Lodge

DID YOU KNOW?

It’s that time of year to start thinking about how one will be decorating their vehicle for Trunk or Treat being held at Camp Morgan Lodge October 28, 2017

Time 2:00 – 5:00 pm

If interested please contact Deb DeFosse @ 495-3661/495-0494 or by email ddefosse@washingtonnh.org

3.0 BUILDING PERMITS:

3.1 Seth Chidester Tm. # 11/39/01 requesting a building permit to construct a 25’ X 50’ garage with a single floor residence above. Tabled for further information

3.2 Clifford Kemp Tm. # 14/049 requesting a building permit to construct a 12’X 28’ prefab shed Williams moved to approve the building permit Krygeris second all voted in favor.

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4.0 APPOINTMENTS DURING THE DAY AND PREVIOUSLY:

4.1 Property owner discussed one's involvement with route 31 and discussing with the state to widen the road and possible sidewalk.

4.2 Jim Crandall (Planning Board, Chair) updated the selectmen regarding the cistern on East Washington Road and the Washington General Stores parking.

4.3 Frank Lemay (Milestone) reviewed the proposed numbers along with insurance cost regarding the meeting house project.

5.0 DEPARTMENT HEADS AND EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENTS:

5.1 Ed Thayer

5.1.1 Reviewed the cistern plans for the fire/rescue project

5.1.2 Updated the clearing on Ayers Pond Road

5.1.3 General update of the progress of the fire/rescue project

5.2 Jim Berry (Health Officer)

5.2.1 Followed up with the safety concerns the fire chief had asked to look into. Jim expressed that the corrections are being made with the propane and found no safety issues on the second property.

5.3 Arline France

5.3.1 Provided a copy of the Capital Reserve Funds as of June 2017

5.4 Chief DeFosse

5.4.1 Provided copies of the final proposal for the selectmen’s review for moving forward to proceed with purchasing the new ambulance. Chief to follow-up next week

6.0 PUBLIC:

6.1 Selectmen asked Tom Burt if he would be interested in the clerk of the works for the fire/rescue project. Tom will review plans and have further discussion with Williams and finalize his decision next week.

6.2 Shawn Atkins and David DeFosse following up on discussions from previous selectmen meeting (August 10, 2017). Shawn explained that the conversation with Steve Tarbox went nowhere and was unable to have further conversation with him. Marshall had a lengthy conversation with Steve Tarbox (structual engineer) in conclusion, Steve recommended to speak with Morton Builders. Marshall reviewed the building plans with Shawn, David and Tom Burt , after review Shawn stressed that there will be a tremendous amount of snow on the connectors roof pitch. Shawn expressed his concerns, suggesting the project still moves forward but would like to talk with Morton's engineer for further conversation regarding the coonectors roof pitch. . Williams to notify Morton that the board would like them to discuss potential changes with Shawn Atkins and Tom Burt regarding the roof pitch of the connector and possible change order. Tom Burt suggested he may have an engineer that would be willing to re-look at the connector and provide a stamped engineer plan to better secure the trusses and have a better pitch on the connector. Tom Burt and Shawn Atkins will have further discussion with Morton Builders with the suggested changes. See 9.6

7.0 COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

7.1 Williams provided a copy of the Superior Court case Docket No. 220-2017-CV-0017 Stipulation agreement.

7.2 Property Transfer Survey Tm. # 15/43, forward to assessors for recording.

7.3 New Hampshire Department of Transportation, RE: Senate Bill 38 Local Highway Aid

7.4 Notice of Public Hearing (Planning Board) business permit application of Linda and Peter Halverson.

7.5 An email from John Rigby thanking the selectmen for their consideration to locating a small storage shed on town property and informed the select board with the conversation he had with Mr. Thayer and Chief DeFosse as requested.

7.6 NH Department of Environmental Services RE: Approval for Construction of Individual Sewage Disposal System (ISDS) Tm. # 12/38. Filed

7.7 New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration provided (2) Inventory of Property Transfer documents (PA-34) forward to assessors for recording

7.8 Matt Serge (town council) provided the Verified Petition for Declaratory Judgment RE: Tm. # 25/118.

8.0 OLD BUSINESS:

8.1 Williams provided a copy of the Mediation Summary and updated the select board with the mediation he had attended August 16, 2017, RE: Docket No. 220-2017-CV-00017. Krygeris moved to ratify the settlement agreement for Tm. # 25/17 and 25/18 and Marshall second all voted in favor.

9.0 NEW BUSINESS:

9.1 Washington Congregational Church requesting to rent Camp Morgan Lodge on September 29, 2017, Marshall moved to approve the rental of Camp Morgan Lodge and for Williams to sign on behalf of the select board, Marshall second, two in favor Al abstained.

9.2 Kathy Depot requesting to rent Camp Morgan Lodge on August 20, 2017, Krygeris moved to approve the rental of Camp Morgan Lodge and for Williams to sign on behalf of the select board Marshall second all voted in favor.

9.4 Krygeris moved to accept the contract from Milestone for the rehabilitation and preservation of the meeting-house Marshall second all voted in favor. Selectmen signed the contract. See 4.3

9.5 Marshall moved to accept the Verified Petition for Declaratory Judgment and for Williams to sign on behalf of the select board. Krygeris second all voted in favor. DeFosse to forward to the town council. See 7.8

9.6 Williams advised the other selectmen that he has decided to step down as the chair of the select board and also doesn't wish to continue coordinating the fire/rescue building project.  He asked Krygeris to consider taking the position as select board chair. Al was reluctant to take the position of chair. Marshall and Krygeris asked Williams to reconsider as chair for the select board, and there was discussion about him seeing the fire/rescue project through.  Williams was not willing to reconsider the fire/rescue project role and indicated he would help with transition once the board decides on an approach.  He also said he would remain chair until the selectmen meet again to have further discussions on how to proceed.

9.7 Marshall moved to reach out to Morton Builders allowing Shawn Atkins and Tom Burt to have a conversation with Morton’s engineer regarding the roof pitch of the connector. Two in favor – Williams abstained.

. 10.0 EXPENDITURES:

10.1 The Selectmen authorized payroll checks in the amount of $ 16,508.84 and vendor checks in the amount of $ 35,702.26 for the week of August 12, 2017.

11.0 ADJOURNMENT:

11.1 Williams moved to adjourn at 9:05 pm and Marshall second. All voted in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Deborah DeFosse