

Town of Washington
Board of Selectmen
MINUTES
January 5, 2012

1.0 ASSEMBLY

- 1.1 Meeting called to order at 7:00PM.
- 1.2 Members: Guy Eaton and Tom Marshall
- 1.3 Visitors: Norman Bresett and Don Turner

2.0 MINUTES

Marshall motioned that the Selectmen's minutes of December 29, 2011 be accepted as written. Eaton seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Important Dates -

January 7th □ Snowmobile safety course at Camp Morgan Lodge. Please contact Larry Gaskell to sign up 495-3964

January 10th □ Primary Election from 8-7PM at Camp Morgan Lodge

January 10th □ The Library Trustees will be meeting at the Library 5PM

January 11th □ 5:30PM Board of Adjustment, voting on the MP-NH, LLC application, at the Town Hall

January 11th □ 6:00PM Park and Recreation at the Town Hall

January 12th □ Public Hearing to adopt changes to the Snow and Ice Policy and the Recycling Ordinance 7PM with our regular meeting to follow

February 4th □ Budget Hearing at the Town Hall 2PM

February 7th □ Planning Board Public Hearing regarding the proposed changes to the Land Use Ordinance 6:30PM at the Town Hall

February 18th □ The Washington Rescue Squad will be hosting the First Annual Whoopie Pie Contest at Camp Morgan Lodge- more information to follow

Did You Know?

The Mill Street Bridge project has been approved and the work will be scheduled to begin in the next few weeks.

The Library Trustees are looking for interested volunteers to join the trustees, alternate and full members are needed. If you are interested call Linda Marshall at 495-3271

The Town Clerk now will be open additional hours on Thursdays from 1PM to 8PM.

Town Office Vacancies

Selectman 1 for 3 years

Library Trustee 1 for 3 years

Fire Chief 1 for 1 year

Trust Fund Trustee 1 for 3 years

Treasurer 1 for 1 year
Cemetery Trustee 1 for 3 years
Checklist 1 for 6 years and 1 for 2 years
Assessors 1 for 3 years
Moderator 1 for 2 years
Please file with the Town Clerk from January 25, 2012 to February 3, 2012

School Board Members 2 for 3 years
School Moderator 1 for 1

3.0 BUILDING AND PARKING PERMITS

3.1 None

4.0 APPOINTMENTS DURING THE DAY AND PREVIOUSLY

- 4.1** Jim Gaskell requested a Camp Morgan Lodge application. Dagesse provided him with the form. (See 9.1)
- 4.2** Jo Ellen Wright came in to ask for an application to rent Camp Morgan Lodge. Dagesse provided her with the application. (See 9.2)
- 4.3** Dan Reed, representing Mr. Mata, phoned to ask if the Selectmen would be making a decision on the Ulrich Road classification issue that came up at the December 15, 2011 Selectmen's meeting. The Selectmen said that they are still awaiting legal opinion. (See 7.4)
- 4.4** Kathryn Bartlett called to ask Dagesse on the merger process and the application.

5.0 DEPARTMENT HEAD AND EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENTS

5.1 Arline France, Kathy Atkins and Lynn Cook:

5.1.1. Came in to update the Selectmen on a meeting they had with the Department of Revenue to discuss the Town of Washington's equalization ratio. The Assessors are awaiting the final ratio report from the Department of Revenue, which will be received in April 2012.

5.2 Ed Thayer:

5.2.1. Reported an incident that had occurred at the transfer station during the week. The Selectmen will refer the issue to the Police Department.

5.2.2. Met with Betsy McNaughten from NH Fish and Game to review a right-of-way issue with a road to public waters on Ashuelot Pond, on the Marlow side.

5.2.3. Thayer reported that the Town of Washington has sold the Ford tractor and the Town will be receiving \$3,300.00.

5.2.4. Discussed the possibility of purchasing a truck from surplus to replace an aging truck.

5.3 Michelle Dagesse:

5.3.1. Provided the Selectmen with quit claim deeds for the tax deeded lots that were sold last week. The Selectmen signed the paperwork.

5.4 Chief Marshall:

5.4.1. Provided a copy of the Washington Police Department press release.

5.4.2. The Selectmen discussed 5.2.1. with Chief Marshall and he will take care of the issue.

5.4.3. Requested that the Selectmen indemnify the Town employees. Eaton motioned to indemnify the Town employees. Marshall seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

5.5 John Corrigan:

5.5.1. Dropped off the Whoopie Pie Contest information. (See Important Dates)

6.0 Public Appointments:

6.1 Norman Bressett dropped off two proposed petition warrant articles. The first is to remove the Police Chief and the second is to elect a police chief. The Selectmen reviewed and the Town Clerk will check the signatures to the checklist and inform Bressett if he has the necessary number of voters.

7.0 COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

7.1 Invoice from Primex for the 2012 contribution. Approved and forward to Dagesse

7.2 Letter from Primex to Dagesse requesting member database information. Dagesse completed the forms.

7.3 Letter from the Town's attorney regarding MP-NH, LLC v. Town of Washington- Filed in the safe

7.4 Email from the Town's attorney regarding the Mata road issue a response will be coming within the next couple of weeks. Filed

7.5 Email from John Pietkiewicz asking about two positions that have been vacated in the Town Hall. Dagesse to respond.

8.0 Unfinished Business

9.0 New Business

9.1 Eaton motioned to approve the application of Jim Gaskell for the rental of Camp Morgan Lodge on March 11, 2012. Marshall seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

9.2 Eaton motioned to approve the application of Jo Ellen Wright for the rental of Camp Morgan Lodge. Marshall seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

9.3 Marshall informed Eaton that he had been approached by a concerned citizen during the week in regards to the emergency helicopter-landing zone in the back of the Town Hall. During an emergency the helicopter has disturbed the community garden. Marshall was asked if the landing area could be moved to another location. The Selectmen will contact the emergency management team to get their opinion.

10.0 DISBURSEMENTS APPROVED

10.1 The Board approved cheques for payroll of \$4,095.97 and vendor checks in the amount of \$5,195.19 for January 6, 2012

11.0 ADJOURNMENT

11.1 Eastman motioned to adjourn at 8:15PM Marshall seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Respectfully,

Michelle Dagesse
Secretary for the Board of Selectmen

OPEN HOUSE
FOR
PROSPECTIVE TRUSTEES

SHEDD FREE LIBRARY
TUESDAY--JANUARY 10, 2012
5:00-5:30 PM

JOIN US AT THE LIBRARY!

THE TRUSTEES & STAFF OF THE LIBRARY INVITE YOU TO ATTEND OUR OPEN HOUSE FOR PROSPECTIVE TRUSTEES.

POSITION

WE ARE SEEKING ONE TRUSTEE WHO WILL HELP TO SUPPORT OUR LIBRARY. WE ARE ALSO SEEKING ALTERNATE TRUSTEES.

THIS IS AN ELECTED VOLUNTEER POSITION □ IT □ IS THE BEST!

ATTEND OUR OPEN HOUSE JANUARY 10TH & YOU STILL HAVE TIME TO FIND OUT IF THIS IS A GOOD FIT FOR YOU. SIGN-UP DEADLINE FOR ELECTION OF TRUSTEE IS END OF JANUARY AT TOWN HALL. TRUSTEES & STAFF OF THE LIBRARY MEET EVERY OTHER MONTH.

ATTEND OUR OPEN HOUSE IF YOU ARE:

- ✓ Someone who has time & desire to fight for quality library services.
- ✓ Strong, unshakeable belief in the importance of libraries.
- ✓ Ability to be a team player and have a sense of humor
- ✓ Open to the needs of both the library and the community.

If you need assistance, please call 495-3592 in advance.