

Town of Washington
Board of Selectmen
MINUTES
January 12, 2012

1.0 ASSEMBLY

- 1.1** Meeting called to order at 7:00PM.
- 1.2** Members: Guy Eaton, Ken Eastman and Tom Marshall
- 1.3** Visitors: Ed Thayer, Bob Fraser, Chief Marshall, Norman Bresett

2.0 MINUTES

Marshall motioned that the Selectmen's minutes of January 5, 2012 be accepted as written. Eastman seconded motion. All voted in favor.

Important Dates -

January 18th – Trustees of the Trust Fund 9:00AM at the Town Hall

January 19th – Energy Committee 7PM at the Town Hall

January 24th – Supervisors of the Checklist from 7-7:30PM at the Town Hall for additions and corrections to the checklist prior to the filing period

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 with regular meeting to follow

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?

There is a walking group meeting at Camp Morgan Lodge on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays until May at 9:00am. All are welcome.

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 year

School District Clerk 1 for 1 year

School Treasurer 1 for 1 year

Eaton opened the Recycling Ordinance and the Snow and Ice Policy Hearings at 7:03PM

Thayer said that the only changes were the words Highway Department to Public Works Department and minor changes. There were no public comments to the changes. The next policy to be reviewed was the Snow and Ice Policy. Thayer said that he would email up to the Selectmen the final version for their approval next week with minimal changes, such as vehicles that are no longer in service for the Town.

Eaton motioned to close the meeting at 7:15PM. Marshall seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

3.0 BUILDING AND PARKING PERMITS

3.1 None

4.0 APPOINTMENTS DURING THE DAY AND PREVIOUSLY

- 4.1** Beth Gallagher called to respond to the Selectmen's question if she was happy with the Sandy Knolls road proposed layout. She was satisfied after speaking with the surveyor Mr. Mellen.
- 4.2** Dan Reed phoned to inquire on the status of the Mata case. Dagesse informed him that the Town should hear back from the attorney early next week.
- 4.3** Arline France came in to speak with the Selectmen regarding the positions at the Town Hall and which are non-compatible. Dagesse will call the auditor.
- 4.4** Numerous residents asked Eaton what the petition articles are about. Eaton informed those that he spoke to.
- 4.5** Larry Gaskell mentioned that some mousetraps need to be placed upstairs at the Town Hall. He found evidence of mice during the fire extinguisher inspections last week.
- 4.6** Warren Little discussed a hazardous road condition on the Marlow side of Washington. Eastman told him that he would inform Thayer. (See 5.1.3.)
- 4.7** Bill Cole stopped by to discuss the double doors on the lakeside of Camp Morgan Lodge. Eastman still working on that issue.
- 4.8** The Selectmen were informed that the spotlight at the lodge needs be adjusted. Marshall to take care of the light.
- 4.9** Roger Cullen called to schedule an occupancy inspection for a Millen Pond Road property owner. Dagesse to coordinate. (See9.3)

5.0 DEPARTMENT HEAD AND EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENTS

5.1 Ed Thayer:

5.1.1. Responded to 9.3 of last week's minutes stating that the landing zone behind the Town Hall has the most desirable location for all the emergency responders.

5.1.2. Requested that Dagesse make copies of the current Snow and Ice Policy and the Recycling Ordinance for this evenings meeting. Dagesse made the copies.

5.1.3. Eastman told Thayer about the comments he received from Warren Little. (See 4.6) Thayer will call Little and check on the delineator posts.

5.1.4. Reported that the contractor for the Mill Street bridge project should be onsite next week.

5.2 Chief Marshall:

5.2.1. Responded to 9.3 of last week's minutes stating that there are multiple landing zones and they are each essential to the Town.

5.2.2. Provided the Selectmen with the police officers evaluations to the Selectmen for their review. Dagesse to file in the safe.

5.3 Sandra Poole:

5.3.1. Came in to provide the Selectmen with the voting results from the Town of Washington.

Democrat	Barack Obama	34
Republican	Newt Gingrich	28
	Jon Huntsman	48
	Ron Paul	64
	Rick Perry	4
	Buddy Roemer	2
	Mitt Romney	86
	Rick Santorum	29
	Total write-ins	1

5.3.2. Informed the Selectmen that the petitions provided to the Selectmen last week (ref 6.1) had enough valid signatures.

5.3.3. Informed the Selectmen that the lodge needs another American flag to hang outside during elections.

5.4 Michelle Dagesse:

5.4.1. Forwarded the petitions to the Town's attorney for review.

5.5 Chief Moser:

5.5.1 Spoke with the Selectmen regarding 9.3 of last week's minutes; commenting that the landing zone behind the Town Hall is essential to our emergency management team.

6.0 Public Appointments:

6.1 Bob Fraser came in and said that he thinks the Chief Marshall does a great job and was not happy to see the petition was presented to the Selectmen last week. Marshall said that the Chief is vulnerable in his line of work and this is part of the process.

6.2 Norman Bresett asked if there were enough signatures on the petition. Eaton advised that there was. Bresett asked for the Selectmen's signature on a letter saying that he had enough signatures. Eaton signed the paperwork.

7.0 COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

7.1 Email from Mike Clark asking to be placed back on the Selectmen' email distribution list. – Dagesse placed him on the list.

7.2 A copy of Legislative Bulletin- Public reading file

7.3 Email from Lolly Gilbert in regards to 9.3 of last week's minutes; saying that she believed that the gardeners were informed from the beginning that the central town landing zone is located behind the Town Hall.

7.4 Invoice from the Town architect- Approved and forward to Dagesse

7.5 A copy of the Washington School Board Meeting Minutes from December 13th and the agenda for the January 10, 2012 meeting. – Filed

7.6 Invoice from the Town's attorney for legal services rendered- Approved by the Selectmen and forwarded to Dagesse

7.7 Email from the Town's attorney regarding the question of the status of Ulrich Road that the Selectmen forwarded to him a few week's back; he will get a comment to the Selectmen next week.

7.8 Letters from Attorney Silas Little requesting right-to-know information. – Dagesse to respond

7.9 A request from the Town's of Allenstown, New Hampshire regarding the acceptance of domestic septage from the Town of Washington, New Hampshire. – The Selectmen signed the document. Dagesse to return.

7.10 A copy of a letter from NHDES to the Town of Washington in regards to a septic system on Millen Pond Road. - Filed

7.11 Email from a South Main Street resident regarding hearing shots fired the other evening. - Chief Marshall responded to the questions regarding shooting at night

7.12 Email from Mary Ann Turner asking for additional information on 5.2.2 on last week's minutes. - Dagesse to forward to Thayer.

8.0 Unfinished Business

8.1 The Selectmen reviewed the bids for the replacement of the vestibule door. Eaton motioned to approve Bill Cole's bid and Marshall seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Dagesse to inform the contractor and coordinate the alarm installation.

8.2 The Selectmen discussed the building permit application that was provided to them on behalf of the Planning Board. The Selectmen thanked the Planning Board for their diligence and will include the suggested change of adding a check box for the stormwater management during construction to the existing building permit application.

9.0 New Business

9.1 The Selectmen congratulate the Students of the Month Lily Denslow, Jordan Mulliner and Noah Morin. And a big thanks goes out to this months lunch sponsors- Jeff & Helen Berry.

9.2 The Selectmen send condolences to Ralph Otterson's family and friends. He was a life member of the Washington Fire Department and will be sorely missed. A memorial service going to be held on Saturday from 12-4 at the American Legion.

9.3 Eaton and the Fire Chief performed the occupancy inspection for Bill Shannon. Eaton motioned to approve the request of the Shannon's. Marshall seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

9.4 Eaton motioned to approve the amendments to the Recycling Ordinance. Marshall seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

10.0 DISBURSEMENTS APPROVED

10.1 The Board approved cheques for payroll of \$5,572.20 and vendor checks in the amount of \$0.00 for January 13, 2012

11.0 ADJOURNMENT

11.1 Eastman motioned to adjourn at 8:45PM. Marshall seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Respectfully,

Michelle Dagesse
Secretary for the Board of Selectmen