

Town of Washington  
Board of Selectmen

MINUTES  
September 20, 2012

**1.0 ASSEMBLY**

**1.1** Meeting called to order at 7:00PM.

**1.2** Members: Guy Eaton and Tom Marshall

**1.3** Visitors: John Corrigan, Michele Corrigan, Brennan Corrigan, Chief Marshall, Becky Denslow, Dale Moser, Laurie Dube, Leigh Bosse

**2.0 MINUTES**

Marshall motioned to approve the minutes of the September 13, 2012.  
Eaton seconded the motion.

All voted in favor.

**Important Dates -**

**September 24<sup>th</sup>** – Cemetery Trustees 7PM at the Town Hall

**September 25<sup>th</sup>** – Library Trustees Meeting at 5:00PM at the Library if you need assistance getting into the building call 495-3592

**October 2<sup>nd</sup>** – Planning Board Public Hearing 6:00PM at the Town Hall regarding proposed changes to the Land Use Ordinance, information on the proposed changes can be found at the Town Hall

**October 4<sup>th</sup>** – Representative Steve Smith and Candidate Jim Grenier will be holding an open session to answer questions from the residents prior to the Selectmen's minutes 6:30PM all are welcome.

**October 6<sup>th</sup>** – 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Rich Cook Memorial Hike is being sponsored by the Conservation Commission and Harris Center. We are hiking the Camp Morgan trail loop and then hiking up Oak Hill to take in the views. Starts at 10:30AM, meeting at the CM trail parking lot on Faxon Hill Rd. Please join us and dress for hiking and bring water, lunch/snacks, cameras, friends and family. Rain date is Oct. 7<sup>th</sup>.

**October 10<sup>th</sup>** - Park and Recreation Commission 6:00PM at the Town Hall

**October 10<sup>th</sup>** – Conservation Commission public hearing at 7PM in the Town Hall. The hearing concerns WCC expending \$20,000. from the conservation fund to help pay transaction fees for the Farnsworth Hill Forest land conservation project. The land will be held by the Forest Society (SPNHF) as a reservation and will be open to the public for passive recreation.

**October 17<sup>th</sup>** – Conservation Commission 7PM at the Town Hall

**October 19<sup>th</sup>** – Flu Clinic 5-7PM at the Town Hall

**Did You Know?**

The Lempster Mountain Bridge is open to traffic

The Public Works Department will be sand sealing on East Washington Road next Thursday, please expect delays.

Heating Assistance from Southwestern Community Services will be at the Town Hall on October 4<sup>th</sup> from 9-1 for an appointment please call 542-9528 ext. 4311 or 4321.

National Drug take back day. Turn in old and or expired medications and drugs at the Washington Police Department, Saturday September 29<sup>th</sup> from 10-2

### **3.0 BUILDING AND PARKING PERMITS**

**3.1 Bruce Putnam:** TM# 08-019, Martin Road, requesting a building permit for a 24x32 small barn. Eaton had inspected and found that the setback was in accordance with the land use ordinance. Eaton motioned to approve the application. Marshall seconded the motion. All voted in favor: permit #2505 was approved.

**3.2 Colleen Whitney:** TM#08-048, Halfmoon Pond Road, requesting a building permit for a 12x16 shed/barn. Eaton had inspected and found that all of the setbacks were in accordance with the Land Use Ordinance. Eaton motioned to approve the permit. Marshall seconded the motion. All voted favor; permit#2506 was approved.

### **4.0 APPOINTMENTS DURING THE DAY AND PREVIOUSLY**

**4.1** Charlie Eastman phoned to make a complaint regarding an ongoing yard sale on Rte 31 she would like to see the Selectmen come up with a yard sale ordinance.

**4.2** Leah McLaughlin, a representative of LGC, came in to inform Dagesse of when the new health insurance rates would be released.

**4.3** Lionel Chute asked for an application to use the Town Hall on Sunday for the Community Garden harvest dinner.

**4.4** The Selectmen spoke with several farmer market vendors this week regarding the ongoing issues.

**4.5** Patricia Del Vasto complained about the width of Halfmoon Pond Road beyond the Halfmoon Pond Road bridge. The residents had made comments at a public hearing when the bridge was being engineered stating that they did not want to make the road any wider so that motorists would not travel too fast. The issue will be forwarded to the Public Works Director.

### **5.0 DEPARTMENT HEAD AND EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENTS**

#### **5.1 Ed Thayer:**

**5.1.1.** Discussed shelter management training and who might attend.

5.1.2. Reported that East Washington Road will be sand sealed next Thursday, please expect delays.

### **5.2 Carolyn Russell:**

5.2.1. Spoke with the Selectmen regarding using a form for those asking for assistance during the holidays. She will bring in a draft copy soon.

### **5.3 Chief Marshall:**

5.3.1. Spoke with Eaton regarding the time his officer was needed due to a vendor issue at the farmers' market. (See 6.1)

5.3.2. Said he would like to speak with the Selectmen regarding the Police Department budgets.

5.3.3. Dropped off a directive to include in the Washington Police Department manual.

## **6.0 Public Appointments:**

6.1 Laurie Dube, Becky Denslow, Dale Moser discussed the issues that have been going on in the recent weeks at the Farmers' Market. Eaton said that Klohs has come in over the past few weeks and now has registered the name the Washington Farmers' Market and had told one of the vendors that he was going to pursue legal action if the facebook page for the Washington Farmers' Market was not removed. Dube asked what could be done to allow all vendors to use the town common. Marshall said with all this said the Selectmen would like to terminate the agreement the Selectmen have with the existing Farmers' Market at the end of the season and in the spring we would like to have the group form a committee and research the information that is found in the article in Town and City and getting a waiver of liability (indemnification) from the vendors. The Farmers' Market is a great thing for the Town and we would like those that know the market the best to come up with the guidelines.

6.2 The Selectmen and Chief Marshall presented Officer John Corrigan with a medal of commendation for his tremendous work done during the time the Chief was away at cadet academy.

## **7.0 COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED**

7.1 Letter from Meridian to the Town of Washington regarding proposal for survey and engineering design services. – Forward to Thayer

7.2 Letter from Southwestern Community Services advising the Town of a new representative to contact for assistance. – Forward to Dagesse

7.3 A copy of the trade name application, letter from the Secretary of State and emails sent from Jerry Klohs to Laurie Dube regarding the farmers' market. – See 6.1

7.4 Letter from the Dailey's asking the Selectmen to support the Farnsworth Hill Road conservation project. – Filed

## **8.0 Unfinished Business**

- 8.1** The contractor is installing a new furnace at Camp Morgan Lodge; the repairs should be complete by Saturday.
- 8.2** Marshall updated the Selectmen on the status of the lights for the Town Hall.
- 8.3** Eaton collected names of veterans to include on the invitations for the veterans dinner.
- 8.4** The Selectmen signed a risk of liability and indemnification agreement between the Town of Washington and First Student bus company. Dagesse will forward to the bus company for their signature.

## **9.0 New Business**

### **10.0 DISBURSEMENTS APPROVED**

10.1 The Board approved cheques for payroll of \$5,759.86 and vendor checks in the amount of \$414,001.36 for September 21, 2012

## **11.0 ADJOURNMENT**

11.1 Eaton motioned to adjourn at 8:36PM. Marshall seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Respectfully,

Michelle Dagesse  
Secretary for the Board of Selectmen