

Town of Washington  
Board of Selectmen

MINUTES  
October 25, 2012

**1.0 ASSEMBLY**

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

**1.2** Members: Guy Eaton and Ken Eastman

**1.3** Visitors: Dale Moser, Jim Hofford, Jim Grenier, Chief Marshall, Laurie Dube, Becky Denslow

**2.0 MINUTES**

Eastman motioned to approve the minutes of the October 18, 2012. Eaton seconded the motion.

All voted in favor.

**Important Dates -**

**October 27<sup>th</sup>** – Supervisor’s of the Checklist Session from 11:00-11:30am at the Town Hall for additions/corrections to the checklist.

**October 30<sup>th</sup>** – Planning Board working session 10AM at the Town Hall

**October 31<sup>st</sup>** – 5-7:30PM is the recommended time for trick or treating

**November 6<sup>th</sup>** – Election Day 8AM-7PM at the lodge

**November 6<sup>th</sup>**- Planning Board 6:00PM, public hearing with meeting to follow

**November 9<sup>th</sup>** – Veteran’s Dinner

**November 14<sup>th</sup>** – Park and Recreation 6PM at the Town Hall

**Did You Know?**

**Sandy Poole wanted everyone to know that you can register to vote up until October 27<sup>th</sup> at the Town Hall during her normal hours. Absentee ballots are in! Come get an application at the Town Hall during Town Clerk hours.**

**The Washington Energy Committee Presents “A Focus on Solar” Monday 10/29 7PM at the Washington Congregational Church, featuring “Here Comes the Sun” – a short documentary – demonstrations of residential solar installations – Comparison of electricity and hot water systems – light refreshments will be provided.**

**The Town will be selling a 2013 calendar with pictures that were taken during the 225<sup>th</sup> Town Birthday Party all profits will go to the preservation fund. Calendars will be pre-sold for \$10.00 each.**

The Washington Emergency Management Planning Team has met to review the Town’s plan for a potential impact by Hurricane Sandy and the two approaching weather systems. We have been in contact with the State Emergency planners as well. Current projections

are for the storm to make landfall early on Tuesday. Depending on the track of the storm the impact in our area could be significant rainfall, high wind or both.

Residents who have not subscribed to the Town's Emergency Notification System are urged to log onto [www.nixle.com](http://www.nixle.com) and select Washington, NH. This is a free service to get notifications by SMS messaging, e-mail or web message. Urge your family members and neighbors to subscribe as well.

The Planning Team reminds resident of the following steps to take to prepare should the storm's arrival impact the town adversely:

Plan for power outages by having water stored in clean containers.

Cordless phones will not work, have hard-wired phone that can be plugged into the phone jack.

Check generator fluid levels. Make sure the gas tank is full and change oil if needed.

Be sure the generator is properly vented and no carbon monoxide could get into the house.

Do not connect the generator directly to the circuit box without proper switching and shielding.

Have a travel bag ready in case an evacuation is required.

Check prescriptions and medications for an adequate supply in case travel is restricted.

Have a plan to keep medications cold if needed.

Keep cell phones charged.

Check the condition of flashlight batteries.

If you have not used your woodstove or chimney yet this season have it checked for obstructions and blockages before lighting fires

Fill your vehicles' fuel tank.

For further tips and information residents can go to ReadyNH at [www.nh.gov/readynh](http://www.nh.gov/readynh)

Any resident needing services in an emergency should call 911. Non-emergency requests for assistance go to 495-3233. DO NOT call the police or fire station directly.

Additional information will be forthcoming via the Nixle as the storm track is more clearly defined. Contact Chief Steven Marshall at [smarshall@washingtongh.org](mailto:smarshall@washingtongh.org) with any questions.

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

**3.1** Michael and Heidi Luba: TM#14-329, Presidential Drive, proposed to construct a 28x36 house and a 26x24 garage. Eaton had inspected and found that all of the setbacks were in accordance with the Land Use Ordinance. Eaton motioned to approve the application. Marshall seconded the motion. All voted in favor, permit # 2513 was approved.

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

- 4.1 A concerned citizen phoned in regards to 5.3.1. of last weeks minutes that many years ago there was an accident with a sailboat and an electrocution. The lines that are being installed are telephone lines not power lines.
- 4.2 Heather Cornell phoned to ask if the Washington Boy Scouts could offer help with the upcoming Veteran's Dinner and any other small jobs going on around town. Dagesse will forward the inquiry to the Park and Recreation Commission and the other appropriate personnel.
- 4.3 Ed Thayer, Chief Marshall, Chief Moser, Bob Hofstetter and the Selectmen met today to speak on the impending storm see information under "Did You Know"
- 4.4 The Selectmen and members of the Advisory Committee met today to discuss fundraising and financial consideration.
- 4.5 Jim Gaskell phoned to remind the Selectmen that the Snow Riders have used the common on the July 4<sup>th</sup> weekend for the past 30-years and would like them to remember this when setting the time for the local farmers' market.

8:02PM Marshall motioned to move to a non-public session due to a personnel issue. Eastman seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

8:16PM Marshall motioned to revert to a public session and to seal the minutes due to a personnel issue. Eastman seconded the motion. All voted in favor, the minutes were sealed.

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

### **5.1 Ed Thayer:**

5.1.1. Informed the Selectmen that the Dole Schoolhouse Road bridge abutments are finished.

### **5.2 Michelle Dagesse:**

5.2.1. Forwarded information to the Department of Revenue to set the tax rate.

### **5.3 Assessors:**

5.3.1. Provided a copy of the two timber tax levies.

## **6.0 Public Appointments:**

6.1 Jim Hofford came in on behalf of himself his wife and the neighbors across the streets to make a formal complaint regarding the speeding of the logging trucks on Faxon Hill Road early in the morning. He knows that Chief Marshall has spoke to a couple of the truck drivers for speeding and wanted to know if they could do anything else. Chief Marshall said that only during limited weight roads there are any restrictions on trucks. Hofford asked about reducing speed or should he move to gathering signatures for restricting trucks during certain hours. Chief Marshall said that he does sympathize with the residents but would not be in support of such a requirement there are other

trucks that do go through the Town in the early morning hours such as the milk trucks in East Washington.

6.2 Laurie Dube, Becky Denslow and Dale Moser met with the Selectmen to discuss the work they have completed to this point on getting rules for the community market and provided a copy of the research to the Selectmen.

## **7.0 COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED**

- 7.1 LGC Annual Conference Preview guide- Filed
- 7.2 Invoice from Wayne Riessle for the door adjustment and repair at the lodge. – The Selectmen approved the invoice and forwarded to Dagesse for payment.
- 7.3 Quote from Kase Printing for the printing of the Town report for 2013. – The Selectmen approved the quote and Dagesse will move forward with the contract.
- 7.4 Letter from the University of New Hampshire Cooperative Extension forwarding the Forest Laws for Municipal Officials. – Filed
- 7.5 A copy of the Cemetery Minutes for the August meeting. – Filed
- 7.6 Save the date card from Primex. – Filed
- 7.7 Application from Rita Morris for the rental of Camp Morgan Lodge. – See 9.2
- 7.8 Invoice from West Payment Center for the new RSA's – Approved and forward to Dagesse for payment
- 7.9 A copy of Supply Lines with the Source, Fall 2012 – Filed
- 7.10 Approval for Construction from NH DES to Jean Landry, TM#14-329, Presidential Drive and Elizabeth and Robert Tabor, TM#20-035, Bailey Road. – Filed
- 7.11 Laurie Dube provided an application for the use of Camp Morgan Lodge. – See 9.3

## **8.0 Unfinished Business**

- 8.1 The new lights are now installed on the outside of the Town Hall and they look fantastic.
- 8.2

## **9.0 New Business**

- 9.1 Eastman attended a New Hampshire Historical Society meeting, history week, in Concord where Carolyn Russell spoke regarding community history in film. Later, Tom Talpey was recognized for his contributions to Washington's history. Congratulations to Carolyn and Tom.
- 9.2 Eastman motioned to approve the application of Rita Morris for the use of the lodge. Marshall seconded the motion. All voted in favor.
- 9.3 Marshall motioned to approve the application of Laurie Dube for the rental of the lodge. Eastman seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

**10.0 DISBURSEMENTS APPROVED**

10.1 The Board approved cheques for payroll of \$17,377.28 and vendor checks in the amount of \$230,509.76 for October 26, 2012

**11.0 ADJOURNMENT**

11.1 Eaton motioned to adjourn at 8:56PM. Eastman seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Respectfully,

Michelle Dagesse  
Secretary for the Board of Selectmen