

Town of Washington
Board of Selectmen
MINUTES
February 10, 2011

1.0 ASSEMBLY

1.1 Meeting called to order at 7:00PM.

1.2 Members: Guy Eaton, Ken Eastman and Tom Marshall
Visitors:

2.0 MINUTES

Eastman motioned that the Selectmen's minutes of February 3, 2011 be accepted as written. Marshall seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Important Dates -

February 17th – Conservation Commission 7PM at Town Hall

February 19th & 20th – Annual Washington Fire Department Ice Fishing Derby, information available at 495-3554

February 22nd- Selectmen's Advisory Meeting 7PM at Town Hall

February 23rd and 26th – The Supervisors of the Checklist will be in session at the Town Hall for corrections/additions to the checklist. The 23rd from 7-7:30PM and the 26th from 11-11:30AM

February 26th – Snowflake Ball 7-11PM at Camp Morgan Lodge. The dance is to raise monies for the preservation of the Washington Town Hall. Come have a great time and support a good cause!!!! Tickets are available at the Town Hall \$15.00 for a couple and \$9.00 for a single ticket.

March 5th – School Meeting 2PM at the Washington Elementary School

March 5th- Snowriders Dance at Camp Morgan Lodge all property owners and members are welcome. The dance is free but donations will gladly be accepted

March 8th – Town Meeting at Camp Morgan Lodge, 9AM at Town Hall

Did You Know?

Fri, Feb. 18, Becky Holland from Southwestern Community Services will be in Town Hall from 10 - 11:30 to answer questions about services available.

Beginning Friday, Feb. 4, until Fri., Apr. 1, free tax assistance will be available. For an appointment, call Carolyn Russell, 495-3193.

The Food Pantry is in need of the following items: hearty soups, stews, hash, canned chicken or turkey, all kinds of canned fruits, spaghetti sauces, crackers, fruit juices, hot chocolate, coffee/tea. We also need the following household products: dish detergent, unscented laundry products, shampoos, razors, deodorants, tissues, paper towels, and general cleaning products.

At this time we do not need: tuna, salmon, spaghetti, canned beans or corn, tomato soup, dry pastas or cold cereals.

Thank you for your contributions.

The 2011 dog licenses are now available at the Town Clerk's Office.

3.0 BUILDING AND PARKING PERMITS

3.1 None

4.0 APPOINTMENTS DURING THE DAY AND PREVIOUSLY

- 4.1** Peter Mellen phoned to inquire on the variance process. Dagesse advised and forwarded the necessary application.
- 4.2** Jim Hofford discussed with the Selectmen his proposal for a Town wide food bank/ co-op. The Selectmen support the community action, information will be available at Town Meeting (a handout) and will be discussed under the last warrant article.
- 4.3** Nancy Tanner phoned to ask questions on the proposed budget and the 2009 encumbrances. Dagesse advised.
- 4.4** Concerned citizens came in to register a complaint about welfare policies. The Selectmen spoke with the Welfare Administrator regarding the complaint. (See 5.3.2.)

5.0 DEPARTMENT HEAD AND EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENTS

5.1 Chief Marshall:

- 5.1.1 Dropped off his police logs.

5.2 Ed Thayer:

- 5.2.1.** Advised that the insurance adjuster came out and totaled the plow.
- 5.2.2.** Requested that the Selectmen sign the grant agreement for the EMPG Grant. The Selectmen signed the paperwork. Dagesse forwarded to Thayer
- 5.2.3.** Advised that he had contacted Meridian regarding water samples from the closed landfill. The estimate is \$1850.00 or no more than \$2000.00.

5.3 Carolyn Russell:

- 5.3.1. Requested that the Selectmen approve a donation of fifty dollars for the Washington Food Pantry. Eastman motioned to approve the donation. Marshall seconded the motion. All voted in favor.
- 5.3.2. Spoke with the Selectmen regarding 4.4 and will send an application to the resident.

5.4 Michelle Dagesse:

5.4.1. Requested the Selectmen sign the warrant for Town Meeting. The Selectmen signed the warrant. Dagesse and Marshall to post.

5.4.2. Provided the Selectmen with the most recent proposed 2011 budget, following the budget hearing. The Selectmen signed the budget and Dagesse to post.

5.4.3. Advised the Selectmen that the title for the 2011 Ford Expedition (New cruiser) has been received and filed in the safe.

5.4.4. Requested the Selectmen's signature on a letter to the Trustees of the Trust Fund requesting reimbursement from the Capital Reserve Cruiser Replacement Fund. The Selectmen signed the letter and Dagesse forwarded to the Trustees of the Trust Fund.

5.4.5. Requested the Selectmen's signature on a letter to the Treasurer, requesting reimbursement to the Town of Washington from the Conservation Commission Fund for legal expenses that were paid. The Selectmen signed the letter and Dagesse forwarded to Roy.

5.4.6. Provided the Selectmen with the year to date budget report.

5.5 Lynn Cook, Arline France and Kathy Atkins:

5.5.1. Provided a copy of the Timber Tax Levy for April 1, 2010 to March 31, 2011 to the Selectmen.

6.0 Public Appointments

6.1

7.0 COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

7.1 A copy of Legislative Bulletin. – Public reading file

7.2 5th Annual Fundamentals of Employment Law. – Forward to Dagesse

7.3 Invoice from NHVT.net. – Forward to Dagesse

7.4 A copy of the Washington School Budget for year 2011-2012- Filed

7.5 Letter from MVP Health Care forwarding a letter of the most recent services. – Filed

7.6 Invoice from the Town's attorney. – Forward to Dagesse

7.7 Letter from Richard M. Monahan Architects. – Eastman to forward a copy to the Selectmen's Advisory Committee members

7.8 Letter from Litter-Free New Hampshire offering blue bags for annual spring clean ups of Town roads. – Forward to Conservation Commission

7.9 Application for the rental of Camp Morgan Lodge. – See 9.1

7.10 Letter from Primex requesting confirmation of the Town's tax id number. – Dagesse forwarded the information.

7.11 Agenda for the Sullivan County, NH Board of Commissioners scheduled for February 15, 2011. – Public reading file

- 7.12 Email from Sullivan County Delegation Meeting scheduled for February 16, 2011- Public reading file

8.0 Unfinished Business

- 8.1 The Selectmen held the Budget Hearing on Saturday, see the attached minutes.
- 8.2 Marshall met with Steve Terani, Steve Hanssen, Tom Taylor as former members of the Municipal Task Force to update them on the status of the Town's municipal buildings and how the Selectmen are utilizing the information that was compiled in the final Task Force report. The Selectmen are looking into maintaining all Town buildings. New storm windows for the Old Schoolhouse, proposing to purchase the Fire Center Station land, building a storage shed at the Center Fire Station and keeping Camp Morgan maintained.

9.0 New Business

- 9.1 Eaton motioned to approve the application of Ginny Parker for the rental of Camp Morgan Lodge on March 19, 2011. Marshall seconded the motion. All voted in favor.
- 9.2 The Selectmen thank Colleen Duggan for all of the work she did as the Deputy Town Clerk and Deputy Tax Collector for the Town of Washington. She will be dearly missed.
- 9.3 Eaton attended the School Budget Hearing on Tuesday and the school budget is down 3.5%.

10.0 DISBURSEMENTS APPROVED

10.1 The Board approved cheques for payroll of \$ and vendors \$16,339.82 the week of February 11, 2011.

11.0 ADJOURNMENT

11.1 Eaton motioned to adjourn. Marshall seconded the motion. All voted in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 8:32PM.

Respectfully,

Michelle Dagesse
Secretary for the Board of Selectmen