

Town of Washington
Board of Selectmen
MINUTES
April 7, 2011

1.0 ASSEMBLY

1.1 Meeting called to order at 7:00PM.

1.2 Members: Ken Eastman and Tom Marshall

Visitors: Everett Thurber, Jim Berry, John Pietkiewicz

2.0 MINUTES

Eastman motioned that the Selectmen's minutes of March 31, 2011 be accepted as written.

Marshall seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Important Dates -

April 12th – Park and Recreation 6:00pm at the Town Hall (changed from the 13th)

April 13th – A representative from the United State Congressman Charlie Bass's office will be at the Town Hall from 10:30-11:30am

April 16th – Easter Egg Hunt 10am at the Town Hall

April 20th – Conservation Commission 7PM at the Town Hall

April 25th – Cemetery Trustees 7PM at the Town Hall

Did You Know?

On Saturday, April 30, 2011, the Washington Police Department & the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) will conduct a special one-day event to remove potentially dangerous controlled substances from our nation's homes. This national initiative will provide an opportunity for the public to surrender pharmaceutical controlled substances and other medications to law enforcement officers for destruction. Expired, unused, or unwanted controlled substances in your home can be brought to the Washington Transfer Station to be disposed of at no cost with no questions asked. Contact Chief Marshall with any questions.

3.0 BUILDING AND PARKING PERMITS

3.1 None

4.0 APPOINTMENTS DURING THE DAY AND PREVIOUSLY

4.1 Shannon Guyer phoned to discuss an upcoming building permit application. Dagesse provided her with information.

4.2 Charley Eastman expressed concerns with junked vehicles Faxon Hill Road and Millen Pond and at the Lull house by the bandstand. She stated that these vehicles are in violation of the State's Junkyard Rules and concerns with the possible environmental hazards. The Selectmen will forward the concern to the Health Officer and the Police Department and letters were sent to the property owners advising of the regulations and inform them of the possible fines that would be imposed.

4.3 Jim Russell came in to review a chart he made for the Selectmen's Advisory Committee regarding donations, grants and a time frame chart. He proposed that the chart come as a agenda item for the Selectmen's Advisory Committee members.

4.4 Mr. Massicotte came in to inquire on the tax bill for his Valley Road property. Dagesse contacted the tax collector and assisted Massicotte.

- 4.5 Bob Wright dropped off an invoice for the Selectmen's authorization to be presented to the Treasurer for payment. The Selectmen reviewed the paperwork and approved the expenditure the paperwork was forwarded to Roy.
- 4.6 Al Krygeris advised that there would be an energy audit conference tomorrow in Manchester. See 7.4. He also advised that a representative from the Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission will be at the next Energy Committee Meeting and would possibly come in and speak with the Selectmen.
- 4.7 Bob Fraser came in to let the Selectmen know that AT&T had informed him that they are not interested in erecting a cell phone tower in the Town of Washington at this time and that they will not be attending the next Planning Board Meeting.

5.0 DEPARTMENT HEAD AND EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENTS

5.1 Chief Marshall:

- 5.1.1 Dropped off his police logs.
- 5.1.2 Provided the monthly activity report from the Washington Police Department.

5.2 Ingrid Halverson:

- 5.2.1. Reported that there are 5 emergency lights that need to be charged in the Town Hall.

5.3 Jim Berry:

- 5.3.1. Reported that NH DES is canceling out the beach program. This activity will be a Town responsibility from now on. Marshall asked if this would increase the Health Officer budget line. Berry says that he believes he would have an adequate budget.
- 5.3.2. Advised that he received an email from Charley Eastman regarding junkyards or possible junkyards growing in Town. The Selectmen advised that a letter from the Selectmen's Office was sent today and the Selectmen may ask him to go to the property within the next few weeks.

6.0 Public Appointments

6.1 Everett Thurber, a Selectmen in the Town of Lempster, came in to request a letter from the Town of Washington asking the State to take over Lempster Mountain Road. Marshall stated that the Town of Washington has a lot of funds tied up in the road. The Town just approved funds at this year's meeting to put down the topcoat on Lempster Mountain Road. Marshall said that the State's financial situation does not look like they would be in favor for taking another road. The Town had written to the State regarding taking over a portion of the State declined to take any actions. Marshall and Eastman agreed at this time it did not seem practical but suggested that Thurber contact Ed Thayer. Thurber asked about perambulation and when was the last one done in the Town of Washington. Eastman said seven years ago. Eastman explained that he had contacted the Local Government Center regarding cutting the budget for the perambulation. He was informed that this would be a place that could be cut; the line was kept open with minimal monies. The Selectmen asked if Hyland could contact him. Thurber answered yes.

6.2 John Pietkiewicz requested information of the process of job postings and job descriptions. The Selectmen will work on getting him a list and explained the posting process. Pietkiewicz also expressed his concern with the recent assessment and possible errors on the Town tax maps. The Selectmen advised him to speak with the Assessors to discuss the concerns.

7.0 COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

- 7.1 A copy of Legislative Bulletin. – Public reading file
- 7.2 Letter from CASA thanking the Town for the \$500.00 donation. – Filed
- 7.3 Letter from the US Census Bureau forwarding information on an upcoming program. – Filed
- 7.4 Registration from NH Preservation Alliance’s 25th Anniversary Preservation Conference scheduled for Friday 8, 2011. – Filed
- 7.5 Letter from ICMA regarding the 457 plan and options to expand retirement savings- Forward to Thayer
- 7.6 Email from Charlie Eastman regarding her concerns with Town junkyards – See 4.2 and 5.3.2.
- 7.7 A copy of Meeting Funding for Flexible Planning Process. – See 4.3

8.0 Unfinished Business

- 8.1 Wayne Riessle, the contractor that is doing the work at Camp Morgan Lodge reported the progress of the repairs.

9.0 New Business

- 9.1 The Selectmen sent out letters to two residents regarding possible non-compliance with the Junkyard Regulations.
- 9.2 The Selectmen were provided with a name of a company that inspects fires suppression and security systems. They will meeting with the Selectmen next Thursday.

10.0 DISBURSEMENTS APPROVED

- 10.1 The Board approved cheques for payroll of \$5,651.52 and vendors \$27,237.65 the week of April 8, 2011.

11.0 ADJOURNMENT

- 11.1 Eastman motioned to adjourn. Marshall seconded the motion. All voted in favor, the meeting was adjourned at

Respectfully,

Michelle Dagesse
Secretary for the Board of Selectmen