# Town of Washington Board of Selectmen MINUTES June 23, 2011

#### 1.0 ASSEMBLY

- **1.1** Meeting called to order at 7:00PM.
- **1.2** Members: Guy Eaton, Ken Eastman and Tom Marshall Visitors: Bob Fraser, Janice Philbrick, Shawn Atkins
- 2.0 MINUTES

Eastman motioned that the Selectmen s minutes of June 16, 2011 be accepted as written. Marshall seconded

the motion. All voted in favor.

# **Important Dates**

**June 27<sup>th</sup>** Cemetery Trustees 7PM at the Town Hall

**June 28<sup>th</sup>** Supervisor s of the Checklist from 7-7:30PM for the APDVD and the 10 year purge at the Town Hall

**June 28<sup>th</sup>** Advisory Committee Meeting 7PM at Town Hall

**June 30<sup>th</sup>-** Summer Camp Registration night 7-8PM at Camp Morgan Lodge. Camp starts July 5<sup>th</sup> the cost for the program is \$35.00 per child or \$70.00 for a family. If you are looking to buy t-shirts for your campers please bring two checks. Lets have another wonderful year of summer camp!!!

**July 5<sup>th</sup>** Planning Board Public Hearing 6PM at Town Hall with the regularly scheduled meeting to follow

July 13<sup>th</sup>- Park and Recreation Commission 6PM at the Town Hall

# **Did You Know?**

Please be advised that the Town will be hosting the Rich Cook Annual Blood Drive on July 19<sup>th</sup> from 1-6PM. The blood drive will be held at Camp Morgan Lodge. Please make sure that you are aware you can only donate every six weeks so that you will be able to donate. Baked goods, juices and fruit donations would be great! Contact Michelle at the Selectmen s office 495-3661.

I am starting to schedule the time slots for the blood drive, please give me a call at the Town Hall if you would like to donate. The American Red Cross was so impressed with our turnout last year they have given us more time slots. Let s show them what a little town can do. We have 110 openings to fill.

There will be a Celebration of Life ceremony for Marcellus Liotta on June 25<sup>th</sup>, 1PM at Camp Morgan Lodge friends and neighbors are invited.

Invitation for sale by sealed bid

The Town of Washington, NH is offering for sale by sealed bid a 1969 Ford 2000 two wheel drive farm tractor.

Serial number - C258031.

Tractor has a 4 cylinder Diesel engine, 540 PTO, and live hydraulics with front mount pump.

Hours are unknown, but tractor runs and operates fine.

Tractor comes with service and parts manuals.

Tractor may be seen at the Washington Public Works Department located at 963 South Main street or by calling 495-3641.

The Town of Washington reserves the right to accept of reject any or all bids submitted.

Please submit sealed bids to the Selectmen's Office at the Washington Town Hall by 3:00 pm Thursday, July 7, 2011.

#### 3.0 BUILDING AND PARKING PERMITS

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## 4.0 APPOINTMENTS DURING THE DAY AND PREVIOUSLY

- **4.1** Ralf Barden requested tax map information regarding an abutter of his. Dagesse provided him with the contact information.
- **4.2** Don Damm phoned to ask for the combination code for Camp Morgan Lodge. He asked if he could go in to prepare for an upcoming event. (See the tables, check the oven and the refrigerator) Dagesse provided him with the punch code.
- **4.3** Tom Marshall received a call from a resident requesting assistance from Chief Moser in reference to getting a GPS monitor from the Sunapee Fire Chief. Marshall had Dagesse contact Chief Moser. Chief Moser has called the Sunapee Fire Chief.
- **4.4** Allan Krygeris phoned Tom Marshall offering his services to perambulate the Town s boundary lines. Marshall informed him that John Hyland would be doing the Lempster Town line with Selectman Thurber in the fall but asked if he would like to go along.
- **4.5** Carolyn Russell phoned Dagesse to have her remind the Selectmen that filming would be taking place this Wednesday at the Town Hall. Dagesse forwarded the information to the Selectmen.
- **4.6** Greg Vogt asked Dagesse if there would be a yard sale on the common this year. Dagesse said yes and provided him with information and a contact name to call regarding setting up a table.

- **4.7** Carolyn Russell reported that the street sign for King Street is down. Dagesse forwarded the message to Road Agent Thayer. (See 5.2.1.)
- **4.8** Travis Wampler phoned Dagesse in reference to a letter that he had received from the Selectmen s Office regarding a shed he had built without a permit. Dagesse assisted Wampler in completing the building permit application over the phone. Wampler told Dagesse that he would drop it off at the Office. Wampler had concerns with the setback requirements and asked Dagesse what would be the procedure if the shed did not comply. Dagesse advised Wampler the building permit would be denied and forwarded to the Board of Adjustment to request an equitable waiver of dimension. She told Wampler that she could assist him with the application if necessary.
- **4.9** Joe Batcha came in to ask for assistance with tax map information. He was looking to find a property card that showed a culvert on an abutter s lot. Dagesse assisted him and provided him a copy of an abutter septic system design that showed a pre-existing culvert that seems to have been removed sometime ago.
- **4.10** Lionel Chute came in to review his business application with Marshall. Dagesse provided him with a 911# application for the Chute s orchard property. (See 9.1)
- **4.11** The Selectmen spoke with a concerned citizen regarding a town employee using a town vehicle for personal use. The Selectmen will forward the complaint to the department head.
- **4.12** Pat Liotta phoned to request the use of a microphone during the Ceremony of Life Celebration for Marcellus Liotta that will be held at the lodge this weekend. Dagesse will advise the custodian.
- **4.13** Carolyn Russell asked the Selectmen to set a date for the Town Hall Birthday party for next year. The Selectmen tentatively set the celebration to be held on August 4<sup>th</sup>.
- **4.14** Mr. Britton, from Gilsum, came in to discuss the possibility of building on an existing foundation. The Selectmen discussed his options with him.
- **4.15** Jim Crandall came in to discuss Advisory Committee Meeting agenda topics for next Tuesdays meeting.
- **4.16** Ron Jager reported that there is significant water is coming in the bell tower in several spots. Jager said that this issue is something that needs to be addressed immediately. The Selectmen had a local contractor come in to check the wet area. He told the Selectmen that it was due to the extreme rain he will return within the next few days to caulk the area.
- **4.17** David Defosse called in reference to a letter he had received from the Selectmen s Office stating that he must have his storage trailers come into compliance with the Land Use Ordinance. Defosse advised that he will be removing both trailers within the next month or so.
- **4.18** An attorney for Chris Poole phoned and spoke with Dagesse regarding a trailer that is on his client s property. Mr. Poole had

received a letter stating that the trailer needs to be removed from the property or a building permit application needs to be on file.

- **4.19** Ethel Crane asked Eaton about a bush in the cemetery that was dead and wanted to know who she needs to speak with for procedures on removing it. Eaton provided her with names of Cemetery Trustees, who she contacted.
- **4.20** Evie Boyce spoke with Eaton regarding changing an existing basement into a finished room and if a building permit would be needed for the change. Eaton advised no, but the assessment would change. Boyce asked about the dam and who she would need to contact with her concerns. Eaton advised her to call NHDES.
- **4.21** Bob Guerin came in to get a copy of a waiver letter that he will need to sign to build his home. Dagesse provided him with the paperwork.
- **4.22** Carolyn Russell advised that Aetna needs Town information for a donation. Dagesse completed the paperwork.

# 5.0 DEPARTMENT HEAD AND EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENTS

# 5.1 Chief Marshall

- 5.1.1. Provided the May police department activity report.
- 5.1.2. Requested the Selectmen s authorization to accept the donation of a small freestanding air conditioner for the police department. Eastman motioned to approve the donation. Marshall seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

### 5.2 Ed Thayer

- 5.2.1. Reported that he had put the King Street sign back up. (See 4.7)
- 5.2.2. Reported that the public works crew brought in gravel and graded King Street.
- 5.2.3. Advised that he had purchased a new mower to attach to the back of the new tractor. He will be mowing the cemeteries (non-contracted sections), roadsides and the pond field in East Washington before the July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday.
- 5.2.4. He asked if any bids had come in on the old tractor. Dagesse said not yet.
- 5.2.5. Discussed a recycling sign and a solar output sign to be placed at the Transfer Station. (See 9.5 of last week)
- 5.2.6. Reported that he, Brian Moser, Jim Berry and Bob Hofstetter attended an Emergency Management Meeting.
- 5.2.7. Reported that the emergency lights on the upper floor of the Town Hall are not operating. He suggested that this could be an in-house fix, through the Fire Department, to check and replace any lights and/or batteries.

## 5.3 Kathy Atkins, Lynn Cook and Arline France

5.3.1. Provided the Selectmen with the timber tax levy for April 1, 2010-March 31,2011.

# **6.0 Public Appointments**

6.1 Bob Fraser came in to discuss setting up a dinner for returning soldiers in the fall. Eaton said that you could have a dinner on Veterans Day to celebrate all of our veterans. The Selectmen are in support of the dinner and Fraser will coordinate the dinner along with the seniors. Fraser asked the Selectmen if he would be on the agenda next Tuesday. The Selectmen requested that he attend the July meeting.

6.2 Janice Philbrick asked the Selectmen for their authorization to abate \$647.64 for interest and penalties for the tax deeded properties in order to clear the books for 11 properties. Janice said that the Assessors have given the abatements for the taxes already. The Selectmen authorized the abatements and signed the paperwork.

## 7.0 COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

- 7.1 A copy of the New Hampshire Preservation Alliance news-Filed
- 7.2 Agenda for Sullivan County Board of Commissioners Public reading file
- **7.3** Approval for Construction to Monica Scanlan, TM#20-183 Beaver Brook Road. Filed
- **7.4** A copy of Legislative Bulletin Public reading file
- 7.5 Email from the Board of Trustees of the Washington Congregational Church forwarding their concerns with the trees next to the church rubbing against the building.- The Selectmen will have the public works department remove the branches
- **7.6** NH Local Welfare Administrator s Association regarding local welfare budgets. Filed
- 7.7 Letter from the SAU#34 expressing their appreciation with the assistance during the past winter- Filed

#### **8.0** Unfinished Business

- **8.1** Dagesse will type up and send the agenda to the Advisory Committee Members for next week.
- 8.2 Members of the Planning Board, Conservation Commission and other board members went out on site visits in Lake Ashuelot Estates over the past weekend to assess the tax deeded properties. The notes will be brought to the next Planning Board and Conservation Commission meeting.

#### 9.0 New Business

**9.1** Eaton established the 911# for Lionel Chute as 230 Halfmoon Pond Road.

# 10.0 DISBURSEMENTS APPROVED

10.1 The Board approved cheques for payroll of \$18302.47 and vendors \$50,002.92 the week of June 24, 2011.

# 11.0 ADJOURNMENT

 $11.1\,$  Eastman motioned to adjourn. Marshall seconded the motion. All voted in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25PM

Respectfully,

Michelle Dagesse Secretary for the Board of Selectmen