

Town of Washington  
Board of Selectmen  
MINUTES  
November 4, 2010

**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 October 28, 2010 be accepted as written. Marshall seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

**Important Dates -**

**November 9<sup>th</sup>** – Library Trustees 5PM at the Shedd Free Library

**November 10<sup>th</sup>** – Park and Recreation 6:00PM at the Town Hall

**November 16<sup>th</sup>** – Button Up Program (Home Efficiency) - Camp Morgan Lodge 7PM

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

**November 17<sup>th</sup>** – Board of Adjustment 6:30PM at the Town Hall

**November 19<sup>th</sup>** – Planning Board 3PM at the Town Hall will be opening RFP's

**November 25<sup>th</sup>** – Town Hall will be closed to celebrate Thanksgiving. The Town Hall will be open on Friday the 26<sup>th</sup>

**November 29<sup>th</sup>** – Planning Board Working session at 10AM Town Hall

**Did You Know?**

**The new tax rate has been set at \$16.98 with a breakdown and comparison as follows:**

<b>Year</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2009</b>
<b>Town</b>	<b>4.25</b>	<b>4.99</b>
<b>Local School</b>	<b>7.68</b>	<b>7.35</b>
<b>State School</b>	<b>2.40</b>	<b>2.10</b>
<b>County Tax</b>	<b>2.65</b>	<b>2.64</b>

WINTER IS COMING

***Button Up***

**Home Energy Efficiency 101: Practical Improvements for Homeowners**

Come to a free Home Energy Saving Workshop to learn about:

- The most effective strategies for saving energy
- What you can do yourself and when you need a professional
- Where to find technical and financial resources

Where: Camp Morgan Lodge

Hosted by the Washington Energy Committee

When: Tuesday, Nov. 16 at 7 p.m.

Contact: Energy Committee: [jsoulnh@gmail.com](mailto:jsoulnh@gmail.com) or call Al Krygeris at 495-3116

"A representative from Southwest Community Services Mobile Outreach will be in Town Hall on Nov. 12 from 10-11:30 to answer questions about available services including Fuel Assistance, Housing, Child Care, Medicare, WIC and many other areas."

Did you know that Reed Cullen of Washington, NH has competed in the 2010 Country Star Search and was the top performer in the 7-12 age group for both bluegrass and traditional country instrumentalist! He is eligible to compete for a national title at the North America Country Music Associations International Country Music Week during March 2011. The trip is costly and the employees at the Town Hall are looking to help the family so that they may all attend the weeklong event. The New England Country Music Organization (NECMO) is a 501 c is a non-profit charity. You can become a member for a ten-dollar donation and support our local talent. Please contact Michelle at the Town Hall for more information.

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

- 3.1 Phillip and Arin Mills: TM# 14-316, Jackson Drive,** proposed to construct a 10 x 10 shed. Dagesse advised her of the setback requirements and the need to reposition the proposed shed or proceed to the Board of Adjustment. Mills will notify Dagesse on Friday which avenue she would like to precede.

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

- 4.1** Steve Terani phoned to inquire if a permit was needed for a generator. Dagesse advised that the Town did not have such a permit.
- 4.2** Al Krygeris researched the Town energy consumption for 2009.
- 4.3** John Ireland phoned and requested tax card information. Dagesse provided the information.
- 4.4** Kim Jordan, from Coldwell Banker, phoned to request property card information. Dagesse provided her with the information. Jordan asked about the waterfront assessment on a property card. Dagesse suggested that she call back and speak with an assessor.
- 4.5** Tom Taylor asked the Selectmen about the Town Forest parcel on Nuthatch Way and if it had ever been merged. Eaton advised that it had been done. He also discussed the classifications of roads in the Town of Washington and his concerns with documenting the road classifications. Marshall will work on the documentation assisted by Selectmen Eastman.
- 4.6** A concerned citizen discussed the use of municipal vehicles for non-Town related business. The Selectmen will research and respond next week.
- 4.7** A Bailey Road resident expressed his concern with the asphalt at the end of the road at the intersection of Rte 31. Marshall passed the information onto Thayer. Thayer will remedy.
- 4.8** Eastman received a comment that Camp Morgan Lodge needs a deep cleaning such as the appliances. The information will be passed onto the custodian.
- 4.9** Eastman spoke with Mike Otterson regarding his concern with the leaves on the Common. He volunteered to mulch and bag the leaves. Selectman Eastman will contact Otterson.
- 4.10** Carolyn Russell discussed the Meetinghouse meeting minutes with the Selectmen and emailed a copy to attach to the Selectmen's Minutes. The Selectmen discussed the comments made regarding the current meeting minutes and Russell also expressed her concern to the

Selectmen with the ability to participate in the meetings and not being able to take verbatim minutes while participating. The Selectmen have decided to have Dagesse come and transcribe the minutes of the Selectmen's Advisory Committee.

4.11 Sandy Robinson and Nan Schwartz provided the letter to the Board of Selectmen requesting that the Selectmen motion to approve the Washington Conservation Commission holding Executory Interest in the Society in Protection of New Hampshire Forest Conservation Easement on the 135-acre Eccardt Farm Property, subject to full funding of the project. Eaton motioned to approve the request. Marshall seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

4.12 A concerned citizen discussed the recent news item on bed bugs and the items townspeople take from the Washington Mall. Eastman to contact Berry and the LGC.

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

### **5.1 Chief Moser:**

5.1.1. Reviewed the Fire and Emergency Communication budget for next year.

### **5.2 Chief Marshall:**

5.2.1. Dropped off a copy of an invoice to the movie company for the balance of monies owed to the Town.

5.2.2. Provided a copy of the weekly press release.

5.2.3. Dropped off a copy of the October monthly statistics for 2010.

5.2.4. Advised that he would be having a contractor providing a quote for the storm windows at the Police Department.

### **5.3 Ed Thayer:**

5.3.1. Discussed budgeting items with the Selectmen.

5.3.2. The Selectmen provided Thayer with the NH DES approval for the Freezeland culvert project. (See 7.9)

5.3.3. Updated the Selectmen on the Mill Street Bridge and provided an application for 5.3.4. Requested that the Selectmen sign the preliminary estimate bridge aid from the State. The Selectmen signed the document; this was to start the ball rolling this is not holding the Town to move forward on the bridge at this time.

5.3.5. Requested that the Selectmen sign the Washington Emergency Operations Plan.

## **Public Appointments**

### **6.0**

## **7.0 COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED**

7.1 Letter from DRA forwarding the 2010 tax rate information. – Filed and see “Did You Know”

7.2 Email from Sullivan County Commissioners Office advising their meeting was today at 3PM. – Filed

7.3 Letter from NH DES Green Yards Program forwarding information on the program. – Public reading file

7.4 A letter from Community Alliance of Human Services requesting a \$500.00 donation. – Filed for budgeting

7.5 Agenda for the Washington School Board Meeting scheduled for Monday November 8<sup>th</sup> and a copy of the SAU#34 meeting minutes from October 7, 2010. – Public reading file

7.6 Email from John Kondos, representing Solar Source, advising of a change order for the PV system. – Dagesse to respond

- 7.7 Letter from the State of New Hampshire Department of Transportation forwarding a notice for 2011 scenic byways funding. – Filed
- 7.8 Letter from RCAP Solutions. – Forward to Thayer
- 7.9 NH DES letter of approval for the Freezeland culvert project. – (See 5.3.2.)
- 7.10

## **8.0 Unfinished Business**

- 8.1 Eastman advised that the pilot light burners have been ordered for the stove at Camp Morgan Lodge.
- 8.2 Eastman attempted to contact the Preservation Consultant this week and will continue to attempt to schedule a meeting.
- 8.3 The Selectmen discussed a working document for the Selectmen's Advisory Committee Meeting. The document will be emailed to all members for comments and suggestions before the next meeting.

## **9.0 New Business**

- 9.1 The Selectmen would like to congratulate the Students of the Month; Hannah Weldon, Abigail MacDonald and Miranda Feighery. A big thanks goes out to the sponsors Gerry and Peggy Carney.

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## **10.0 DISBURSEMENTS APPROVED**

- 10.1 The Board approved cheques for payroll of \$6,041.94 and vendors \$43,151.87 the week of November 5, 2010.

## **11.0 ADJOURNMENT**

- 11.1 Eastman motioned to adjourn. Marshall seconded the motion. All voted in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15PM.

Respectfully,

Michelle Dagesse  
Secretary for the Board of Selectmen