

**Town of Francestown**  
**Board of Selectmen/Budget Committee**  
**Minutes of Meeting**  
**Monday, February 4, 2019**

Members Present: Chair Brad Howell, Henry Kunhardt and Abigail Arnold

Others Present: Town Administrator Jamie A Pike, Admin Asst. Kim Dalley, Earl Sandford, John Perry, Al Bell, Alana Samuelson, and Charlie Pyle

Mr. Howell called the meeting to order at 5:33 PM.

**Public Hearing**

In the second of two public hearings Mr. Sandford verified with the Board that there would be a decision from the Board to approve or not approve the East Road ROW Correction Plan seven days from this public hearing. Since the applicants are trying to keep things going in a timely fashion it was suggested they try to get on the agenda for the Planning Boards February 19<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Alana Samuelson, Recreation Director, spoke with the Board about starting a new Rec Dept. Trust fund that could be used to provide scholarships for program participants that can't afford fees. Mr. Kunhardt stated that opening a trust fund is simple but cautioned against scholarships since they are difficult to administer fairly and legally. Ms. Arnold suggested that Alana contact Karen St. Cyr, the head of Francestown Friends and try to make scholarship arrangements with her to avoid the bureaucratic red tape inherent in Town Government. Ms. Samuelson ran some fundraising ideas past the Board such as selling advertising signs at the ball field.

Mr. Kunhardt made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda dated 2/5/19, seconded by Mr. Howell.

**Motion passes**

Mr. Howell made a motion to place an article regarding RSA 79-E on the Town Warrant to replace the Petition Article submitted by Mr. Pyle. There was no second. Mr. Howell felt that, due to the complexities of RSA 79-E, it should have been presented to the Board earlier allowing for more discussion.

The Board voted unanimously to deny an abatement to Oakes, 25 King Hill Rd.

Mr. Pike will schedule Chief Dowd for his course at Roger Williams after confirming with Chief Dowd which training is most appropriate.

The Board discussed how they could accommodate the Auxiliary 's request to provide lunch in the same room as Town meeting. Options were discussed. Mr. Kunhardt and Mr. Pike to take another look at the space.

It was brought to the attention of the Board that the Conservation Commission would like to provide a box at the Transfer Station for people to deposit their lead sinkers. Ms. Arnold thought a better location might be at the boat landings and to collect fishing line as well.

The Board discussed the Town Report and including the Assessing Data that used to be in past reports and the list of property owners who have not paid their taxes.

The Board discussed things that should be considered for the future, which led to further discussion of RSA 79-E.

Being no further business, Mr. Howell adjourned the meeting at 7:34 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Dalley

Approved 03.18.2019

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Brad Howell

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Abigail Arnold

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Henry Kunhardt