Town of Francestown Board of Selectmen Minutes of Meeting Monday, June 19 2017

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

Others Present: Town Administrator Jamie A Pike, John Byatt, Gary Paige, Guy Tolman, Sherwood Fogg, Catherine Fogg, Betty Behrsing, Abby Dawson, Rebecca Dawson, and Polly Freese

Chairman Howell called the meeting to order at 5:34pm

Preliminary Public Meeting: So. New Boston Road Bridge presentation. John Byatt discussed the current condition of the bridge, why it needs to be reconstructed/rehabilitated, and the goals of the project. The proposed detour using Avery Road was also discussed. Current plans expect construction to begin in 2019.

<u>Appointment</u> – Rebecca Dawson came in to appeal to the BOS for a forgiveness of the Current Use penalty upon her lots located on Spencer Road. She stated that she hadn't clearly understood the requirements of Current Use. She proposed that in lieu of the penalty, she instead pay the difference of tax savings realized in 2016. A motion was made by Mr. Kunhardt and seconded by Mr. Howell to issue the LUCT in the amount of \$6,500 and abate the amount of \$4,765. Motion passes 2-1 (Arnold dissenting.)

Town Hall Update Henry gave a brief update on the progress of the Town Hall renovation.

Consent Agenda

- A. Payroll & Accounts Payable Manifest 06/20/2017
- B. Intent to Cut Map 2 Lot 2 CDM Properties
- C. Intent to Cut Map 2 Lot 2-1 Chad & Debra Mills
- D. Building Permit Map 2 Lot 27-2 Harold Pope Shed
- E. Unlicensed Dog Warrant (RSA 466:14)

A motion was made by Ms. Arnold and seconded by Mr. Kunhardt to approve the Consent Agenda as presented and discussed. **Motion passes**

New Business

Mr. Pike discussed the current copier lease and proposed a new lease which would provide a new copier for the Police Department, resulting in significant cost savings in toner cartridges. The current Library copier would be paid off and remain in place on the current pay-per-copy plan. The new lease is the same monthly amount of the current lease. The Board consented to the new contract.

The Board reviewed an email from Fletcher Taft regarding the Soapstone Historical Marker which was damaged and needs to be replaced. Ms. Arnold recommended asking FIHS if they would be willing to pay for replacement.

Mr. Kunhardt has rewritten the letter that the town sends out with the Intent to Cut form that requests the land owner and logger contact the road agent. Discussion ensued about the relevancy of the

information in the original letter. It was decided to keep the original letter, but update statutory and regulatory references.

A motion was made by Mr. Kunhardt and seconded by Ms. Arnold to approve the minutes of 5/22/17 and 5/25/17 as amended. **Motion passes.**

Mr. Tolman asked about the vacant Heritage Commission spot. The Board responded that they hadn't yet taken up the matter.

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:40pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberlee Dalley

Approved on 07/24/2017

Brad Howell

Abigail Arnold

Henry Kunhardt