

Town of Francestown
Board of Selectmen
Minutes of Meeting
Monday, August 14, 2017

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

Others Present: Town Administrator Jamie A Pike, Charlie Pyle, Betty Behrsing and Polly Freese

Chairman Howell called the meeting to order at 5:35

A motion was made by Ms. Arnold and seconded by Mr. Howell to enter into a non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A, II(b). Howell, Aye; Arnold, Aye; Kunhardt, Aye. **Motion passes.**

Other Present: Jamie Pike and Chief Fred Douglas

A motion was by Ms. Arnold and seconded by Mr. Howell to exit the non-public session at 6:25pm. All in favor. **Motion passes.**

A motion was made by Ms. Arnold and seconded by Mr. Kunhardt to seal the minutes of the non-public session until the relevant actions were completed. **Motion passes.**

Appointments

Charlie Pyle was present to get the Fireworks Permit signed for Labor Day. Discussion on details for Fireworks Display were discussed. Mr. Kunhardt made a motion to approve the Fireworks Permit seconded by Mr. Howell. **Motion passes**

Town Hall Updates

Board authorized entering into service contracts for the Fire Protection System (Sprinkler) with John L. Carter, HVAC Service with Wilder Plumbing & Heating, and Fire Alarm Inspection and Security Contract with Capitol Alarms.

Consent Agenda

- A. Payroll & Accounts Payable Manifest 08/15/2017
- B. Pole License – 105/125 located on Bennington Road
- C. Request for Payment from the Thulander Trust - \$542.81 – Museum Windows
- D. Recreation Trust Fund Donation Acceptance - \$70.00
- E. Building Permit – Jeremy & Natasha Austin; 495 Red House Rd.; New Home
- F. Building Permit – Frank Riley; 77 Main St.; Addition

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

Motion passes

New Business

Mr. Pike raises the question of access to the Bixby Pond which is a concern that has been raised by an abutter. It was determined that the plantings and sign are on the resident's land but the brush has been left on town land. Mr. Pike will ask that the brush be removed.

Warren Kiblin requested permission to do some landscaping at Cemetery #1 around the flagpole and stonewall to remove the bittersweet that is encroaching on the rhododendron. The Board agreed. Mr. Pike gave a synopsis of the Safety Committee's recommendations resulting from the inspection of the town offices which included the changing of two lit exit signs and rerouting of the downstairs phone line.

Mr. Pike requested the Board execute an extension request for the MS-1 to finalize the valuation of utilities.

Other Business

Mr. Kunhardt gave an update on the South New Boston Bridge.

Mr. Pike shared some drafts of a letter regarding junkyards and excessive abandoned vehicles in yards.

Transfer Station Operation Shed bids were discussed. PostWoodworking came in about \$2000 under previous quote of \$8000. Prevention of future rat infestation was discussed. Mr. Kunhardt said, "We want to remove the rats from where the workers have to work, not build the rats a new house." It was decided to determine the extent of the slab before a decision is made to replace building.

Scobie Pond boat landing access was discussed and Mr. Howell laid out the conditions of use contained within a Memorandum of Understanding with the landowner that was previously executed.

Mike Petrovick sent an email expressing his disappointment in not having an opportunity to work on the Police Department Project. His contribution to the Town Hall Project is greatly appreciated and the Board will write a letter of apology.

Mr. Kunhardt gave a brief update on the Town Hall progress.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberlee Dalley

Approved on 11/20/2017

Brad Howell

Abigail Arnold

Henry Kunhardt