

Town of Franchestown
Board of Selectmen
Minutes of Meeting
Monday, September 18, 2017

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

Others Present: Town Administrator Jamie A Pike, Polly Freese, Betty Behrsing, Tom Anderson, Guy Tolman, Gary Paige, Kevin Pobst, BJ Carbee, Michelle Ferencsik and Elly Miles.

Chairman Howell called the meeting to order at 5:30pm..

Appointments

Gary Paige met with the Board to hear the results of the bid request for the temporary bridge on Old Country Road North. Mr. Pike read the bids and Mr. Paige recommended that they go with Hansen. No decision was made, the Selectboard is awaiting more information. Mr. Paige then gave a brief update on Highway Dept. activities including the planned road trimming methodology.

The Heritage Commission met with the Board to set a date for the Town Hall Opening and establish responsibility for sending invitations. Ms. Miles is working on a list of invitees and Ms. Ferencsik offered services for stuffing envelopes. Menu was discussed. The donor plaque was discussed and different versions were presented. Town Hall User fees were briefly discussed.

Town Hall Update

Mr. Kunhardt was pleased with the progress and with the plastering. Mr. Pike addressed Mike Petrovic's suggestion of opening up a closet to allow window exposure into the room. The lift is in and the propane tank gets buried tomorrow. Mr. Kunhardt suggested that having a plywood walkway in the attic above the insulation would be prudent. He's asked that Macmillan provide them with a cost for that change. There were two change order requests for adding stair stringers and skirt boards at stairs. Ms. Arnold made a motion to accept the changes seconded by Mr. Howell. **Motion passes**

Consent Agenda

1. Check Manifest dated 9/19/17
2. Intent to Cut: Jeff Gauthier, 2nd NH Tpke N
3. Heritage Fund Donations - \$1010.00
4. Public Assistance Lien, Map 9 Lot 8 (Alstead)

A motion was made by Ms. Arnold to approve the consent agenda seconded by Mr. Kunhardt. **Motion passes**

Mr. Pike brought to the Board a concern that was raised by a resident about the septic issues for the East Road properties. Mr. Kunhardt feels that the decision to issue a letter of deficiency is up to the Health Officer.

A motion was made by Mr. Kunhardt and seconded by Ms. Arnold to enter into a non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II (c) at 6:40pm. Howell, Aye; Arnold, Aye; Kunhardt, Aye. **Motion passes.**

Others Present: Jamie A Pike and Thomas Anderson

Mr. Anderson reviewed with the Board an appeal filed by a public assistance client. The client was denied assistance with the payment of homeowners insurance. The appeal procedure calls for the designation of an appeals hearing officer. Mr. Anderson recommended that Peter Flynn, New Boston Town Administrator, be appointed as the appeals hearing officer. The Board agreed to appoint Peter Flynn to the position if he was willing to accept the responsibility. All were in favor.

A motion was made by Ms. Arnold and seconded by Mr. Howell to leave the non-public session at 7:08pm. All in favor. **Motion passes.**

A motion was made by Ms. Arnold and seconded by Mr. Howell to enter into a non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II (a) at 7:08pm. Howell, Aye; Arnold, Aye; Kunhardt, Aye. **Motion passes.**

A motion was made by Mr. Kunhardt and seconded by Ms. Arnold to leave the non-public session at 7:25pm. All in favor. **Motion passes.**

A motion was made by Ms. Arnold and seconded by Mr. Howell to seal the minutes of the non-public session until the end of the current year (2017) as divulgence of the information would likely render a proposed action ineffective. Howell, Aye; Arnold, Aye; Kunhardt, Aye. **Motion passes.**

A motion was made by Ms. Arnold and seconded by Mr. Howell to enter into a non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II (e) at 7:25pm. Howell, Aye; Arnold, Aye; Kunhardt, Aye. **Motion passes.**

A motion was made by Mr. Kunhardt and seconded by Ms. Arnold to leave the non-public session at 8:02pm. All in favor. **Motion passes.**

A motion was made by Ms. Arnold and seconded by Mr. Howell to seal the minutes of the non-public session until the proposed action is executed as divulgence of the information would likely render the proposed action ineffective. Howell, Aye; Arnold, Aye; Kunhardt, Aye. **Motion passes.**

For the purposes of finalizing the 2017 assessment values, a motion was made by Ms. Arnold and seconded by Mr. Howell to continue to use the 2016 values for the use of PRWs for the tax year 2017. **Motion passes.**

Being no further business, Chairman Howell adjourned the meeting at 8:05pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Kim Dalley and Jamie A Pike

Approved 10/2/17

Brad Howell

Abigail Arnold

Henry Kunhardt