

## Town of Francestown

Board of Selectmen

Minutes of Meeting

Monday, January 29, 2018

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

Other Present: Town Administrator Jamie A Pike, Admin Asst. Kim Dalley, and Polly Freese

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

### **Consent Agenda**

- a. Accounts Payable Manifest 1/30/18
- b. Approval of Minutes as amended: 1/18/18

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

### **Motion Passes**

The building permit for Mark Bellino, 125 Red House Rd, after brief discussion was approved with a motion by Mr. Kunhardt , seconded by Mr. Howell. **Motion Passes**

The approval for the demo permit for Sleeper Mill Farm, 45 Sleeper Mill Lane was postponed. Mr. Kunhardt raised the question of the need for a shoreland permit since the house is within 250' of the water. The permit will go back to Mr. Kendall, Building Inspector for review.

Mr. Kunhardt gave an update on the asbestos report for the PD renovation project. Approximately 520 sq/ft of tile will need to be removed. The removal will have to wait for Town approval to move ahead with the PD renovation but the permitting with DES should be undertaken now so everything will be in place to start immediately following Town Meeting should approval be granted.

Mr. Kunhardt went on to discuss areas of the PD renovation project that could be changed to get the estimate down so it is more in line with the original proposal of \$125,000. He will get hard numbers and the Board will meet again Wednesday at 4pm to discuss.

Ms. Arnold met with Bill Triplett regarding repairs to the Town Hall benches. Mr. Triplett has volunteered his services in making some of them usable and others require more extensive repair. Mr. Triplett has taken two of the benches. Attempts will be made to find more benches that belong to the Town.

Mr. Kunhardt informed the Board that with the extreme cold weather experienced earlier in the month, the discharge line of the Town Office septic system was frozen. The pump chamber and septic tank have been emptied which gives us 2000 gallons of space to allow some time for things to warm up and thaw.

Mr. Kunhardt gave an update on the status of the Library's geothermal system. One of the Town's consultants recently estimated the life expectancy of the geothermal heat pump components to be approximately 15 years. The system came on live in 2009.

A motion was made by Ms. Arnold and seconded by Mr. Howell to accept the 2018 Milfoil Mitigation Grant and to authorize Chairman Howell to execute any necessary documentation related thereto.

At the recommendation of Avitar, Ms. Arnold made the motion to deny the abatement request for Map 6 Lot 70-1 seconded by Mr. Kunhardt. **Motion passes.**

The Board reviewed an application for a tax deferral. The decision was deferred to a future meeting.

Meeting adjourned 6:27.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim Dalley

Approved 03.05.2018

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Brad Howell

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Abigail Arnold

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Henry Kunhardt