

# Town of Francestown

Board of Selectmen

Minutes of Meeting

Tuesday, August 13, 2019

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

Others Present: Town Admin. Jamie A Pike, Chief Michael Dowd, Betsy Hardwick and Charlie Pyle.

Chairman Howell called the meeting to order at 4:30pm.

A motion was made by Mr. Howell and seconded by Ms. Arnold to enter into a non-public session in accordance with RSA 91-A:3, II(a) at 4:35pm. Howell, Aye; Arnold, Aye; Kunhardt, Aye **Motion passes.**

Others Present: Town Admin. Jamie A Pike and Chief Michael Dowd

The Board reviewed the operations of the Police Department for the year to date. The Board unanimously approved a contractual pay raise for Chief Dowd to \$32/hr.

A motion was made by Ms. Arnold and seconded by Mr. Howell to exit the non-public session at 5:15pm. **Motion passes unanimously.**

After a few questions, a motion was made by Mr. Kunhardt and seconded by Ms. Arnold to approve the consent agenda as presented. **Motion passes.**

## Consent Agenda

- a. Check Manifest dated 08/13/2019
- b. Approval of Minutes 07/01, 07/22, & 07/26
- c. Intent to Cut: Dwight Batty, Map 2 Lot 24, Juniper Hill Road
- d. Health & Deputy Health Officer Appointments (Kay Anderson & John Kendall)
- e. Solar Exemption Approvals
  - i. Forbush, Map 9 Lot 18
  - ii. Pietrovito, Map 3 Lot 3
  - iii. Overend, Map 8 Lot 13
  - iv. Kasiske, Map 5 Lot 72

Mr. Kunhardt requested to re-visit the previous week's discussion regarding the installation of Horse Crossing signs at Cross and Woodward Hill Roads. Mr. Kunhardt spoke with Melissa Shattuck who was holding a horse riding camp over the summer. The camp is now over. The Board decided to hold off on the installation of the signs until next year.

The Board discussed an effort of public education regarding Emerald Ash Borer (EAB). Ms. Hardwick felt it was very important for the Town to send out an informational mailing. Ms. Arnold and Ms. Hardwick will draft a cover letter. The mailing will include information about identifying ash trees and tracking EAB.

Mr. Pike and Mr. Pyle informed the Board that the ConVal Soccer Club would like to rent the soccer field for practices from September through Columbus Day. There would be two practices per week. Mr. Pyle informed the Board that there was a clause in the lease that barred the sublet of the fields. The Board decided to accept an unspecified donation from the Soccer Club to offset landscaping costs. The Soccer Club will also be required to provide a certificate of liability insurance naming the Town and FIHS as additionally insured entities.

The Board has received a petition for layout of land to permit the reconstruction of the South New Boston Road Bridge, and the layout of the land in association with South New Boston Road. The Board will hold a public hearing on the petition on September 16<sup>th</sup> during a regular meeting of the Board.

Mr. Pike requested to attend a Business Writing class being presented by the Bureau of Education and Training at a cost of \$140. The Board authorized the class.

Being no further business, Chairman Howell adjourned the meeting at 5:49pm.

Respectfully submitted

Jamie A Pike