

# Francestown Select Board

Minutes of Meeting  
Monday, May 4, 2020

Members Present: Chairman Brad Howell, Henry Kunhardt and Marsha Dixon

Others Present: Town Admin. Jamie A Pike, Heather Whipple-Simard, Kevin Pobst and Dawn Kirlin (by telephone)

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

Ms. Whipple-Simard was present to request permission for the placement of graduate yard signs on Town properties. A motion was made by Mr. Kunhardt and seconded by Mr. Howell to allow the signs on the Town Common starting at noon on May 22<sup>nd</sup> and to be removed by noon on May 25<sup>th</sup>. **Motion passes unanimously.** Mr. Pobst also requested that an advertisement for the signs and to encourage homeowners to decorate their homes for the Senior Drive Tour be placed on the Town's website. Permission was granted.

The Board held a conference call with Ms. Kirlin to discuss the opening of the Farmers' Market. After much discussion a motion was made by Ms. Dixon and seconded by Mr. Kunhardt to approve the opening of the Market on Friday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> and to allow the use of the Town Hall restroom facilities for vendors only. **Motion passes.**

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

- a. Check Manifest dated 05/05/2020
- b. Current Use Application Approval – Heath, Map 9 Lot 34
- c. Timber Tax Warrant – Map 3 Lot 12 - \$446.62

Mr. Pike presented the charitable and education property tax exemption applications. A motion was made by Mr. Howell and seconded by Ms. Dixon to accept the recommendations as provided for the ConVal School District (approved), Old Meeting House of Francestown (approved), Francestown Improvement and Historical Society (approved), Crotched Mountain Foundation (approved) and New England Forestry Foundation (denied). **Motion passes.**

The charitable tax exemption for the Francestown Village Water Company was presented. After much discussion regarding their classification as a charitable organization a motion was made by Mr. Kunhardt and seconded by Ms. Dixon to accept the recommendation made earlier by Loren Martin to deny the application and value the assets at zero as their value is inherent in the properties served. **Motion passes.**

Mr. Pike presented the nominations for various Board and Committees. The Board approved the appointments as presented.

1. Scott Carbee – Patriotic Purposes
2. Mike Tartalis – Waste Disposal Committee
3. George Sanderson – Conservation Commission Alternate
4. Kelly Marshall – Conservation Commission
5. Cindy St. Jean – Zoning Board of Adjustment
6. Daryl Hazel – Library Trustee Alternate
7. Charlotte Beadleston – Library Trustee Alternate
8. Stewart Brock – Budget Committee
9. Jennifer Vadney – Southern NH Planning Commission Alternate
10. Jeffrey Briggs – Conservation Commission Alternate
11. Patricia Krueger – Heritage Commission Alternate

Mr. Pike discussed the planning for a future re-opening plan for the Town Office building. Mr. Pike proposes to purchase two hand sanitizer stations for the building, all customers would be required to wear masks in the building and staff would wear masks for all person to person contact transactions. It was decided to hold off on purchase of the stations until a later date to allow the market to re-stock.

Mr. McAuley requested to store a donated piece of equipment in the horse sheds until the basement of the museum was finished. The Board felt it was not a good idea as the horse sheds are scheduled for construction repairs this summer.

The Board discussed the wearing of masks by the Transfer Station attendants, and considered requiring attendants to wear masks if there are more than 6 cars on the property. Mr. Pike will inform the employees of the Board's continuing concern.

Mr. Kunhardt proposed a letter to the Hoopers to inform them of the Town's plans to discontinue the gravel cut-through across the common from the Turnpike to New Boston Road. The Board agreed to the letter.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Jamie A Pike

Approved 7/20/2020