Town of Francestown

Select Board
Minutes of Meeting
Monday, June 8, 2020

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

Others present: Town Admin. Jamie A Pike and Peter Samuelson

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

Mr. Samuelson was present to discuss the prior de-funding of the Samuelson Fishing Derby. It was explained to Mr. Samuelson that because the state had cancelled all fishing derbies and the need for several budget cuts due to the pandemic, it was decided to de-fund the fishing derby for this year. Mr. Samuelson asked if there could be reconsideration if the derby could be held in the fall. The Board agreed to reconsider the request at that time.

Mr. Kendall was present at the request of the Board to discuss various reported junkyard violations. After much discussion it was decided to contact town counsel this week to clarify certain definitions. Mr. Kendall will meet with the Board on the 15th.

The Board approved the check manifest dated 06/09/2020. The Board issued a supplemental tax warrant in the amount of \$18,659 to various properties whose value was significantly higher as the spring pick up work was not completed until after the first issue bills. The Board appointed Jim Bosman as an alternate member of the ZBA.

The Board reviewed the contract amendment from Fuss & Oneil for performance of construction services for the South New Boston Road Bridge. The amendment was approved as presented in the amount of \$127,174.

An email was received from Barbara J Carbee relative to the condition of the carpet and other furnishings in the lower level of the Town Offices. The Board discussed the future replacement of the carpet.

The Board also discussed two other maintenance projects: the replacement of the guardrail at the Town Hall. The replacement rails are \$56 each (qty 7) and the work would be completed by the Highway Department. A motion was made by Ms. Dixon and seconded by Mr. Kunhardt to have the rails replaced. **Motion passes.**

Also discussed was the repair of the concrete sidewalk in front of the Old Meeting House, the Board agreed to postpone any action at this time.

Ms. Dixon requested permission to place two hanging plants at the base of the community bulletin board, the plants would be donated. All agreed.

Ms. Dixon also asked about allowing the re-opening of the Heritage Museum. It was decided to keep the museum closed at the current time.

Mr. Howell stated that Transfer Station personnel should be required to wear masks and maintain social distancing. Mr. Kunhardt and Ms. Dixon disagreed with Howell.

A motion was made by Mr. Kunhardt and seconded by Mr. Howell to enter into a non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II(b) at 6:39pm to discuss the hiring of an employee. Kunhardt, Aye; Howell, Aye; Dixon, Aye. **Motion passes.**

A motion was made by Mr. Kunhardt and seconded by Mr. Howell to exit the non-public session at 6:47pm. **Motion passes unanimously.**

A motion was made by Mr. Kunhardt and seconded by Ms. Dixon to seal the minutes of the non-public session until the proposed action was executed. Kunhardt, Aye; Howell, Aye; Dixon, Aye. **Motion passes.**

A motion was made by Mr. Kunhardt and seconded by Mr. Howell to enter into a non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II(a) at 6:47pm. Kunhardt, Aye; Howell, Aye; Dixon, Aye. **Motion passes.**

The Board discussed various employee reviews; no decisions were made.

A motion was made by Mr. Kunhardt and seconded by Ms. Dixon to exit the non-public session at 7:43pm. Kunhardt, Aye; Howell, Aye; Dixon, Aye. **Motion passes.**

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:43pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jamie A Pike

Approved 7/20/2020