

TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN
Selectmen's Business Meeting of June 7, 2016

Present: Chris Bassingthwaite, Pete Santom, Ray Youngs and Catherine Stover

Also Present: Chief Wally Trott, Arlene Patten, Janice Thompson, Kay Bailey, Ellie Murray, John Chessey, Margaret Chessey, Quentin Mack, Andrew Grignon, John Desorbo, Corrine Cormiea, Ken Cilley, Francis Muzzey

Chris motioned to open the meeting at 6:01 pm, seconded by Ray and approved.

The Board reviewed and/or signed the following:

- Meeting Minutes of 5/24
- Permit to install a driveway culvert, ML 4-2-27
- Offer to previous owner to repurchase ML 11-6-2
- Timber Warrant for Kenneson and King; Intent to Cut for Wolf, ML 10-04-13
- Notices to Vacate ML 8-11-17, 8-11-12, 4-2-13
- Payroll and Vendor payments. Ray pointed out that a vendor check written to Shawnees was written for \$15.00 and should have been issued for \$16.00. The office will contact the vendor.

Ray stated that he, Chris, and Arlene attended the Local Officials Workshop last weekend in Concord which was presented by the NH Municipal Association and said it was very beneficial. Ray also summarized a new law that will take effect in July regarding the 15% penalty that is included when a previous owner repurchases a property that has been taken by the town for unpaid taxes. Beginning in July, the penalty will be reduced to 10% if the property is the primary abode of the previous owners. If it is not the primary residence, then the 15% still applies.

The Board invited the Chief to give a PD status update. Chief Trott stated that things were going well in town. He stated the race track is also going well.

The Board invited to open the meeting to Privilege of the Floor.

Francis Muzzey said he was requested by the Planning Board, to discuss the property at the corner of Route 25. Chris read a letter written by the Town to the Blodgett family dated 09/29/15, requesting that the property be repaired and that they cease offering items to the public for sale until the situation had been resolved. Chris read a letter received from Blodgetts dated 10/06/15, in which they stated they were doing maintenance and that wood had been purchased and they were in the process of restoring the house. They stated the building has a no trespass sign on it and they believed they were within their rights to sell items upon their property. Quentin asked about the Board's request to secure the building. Chris asked Chief Trott what the no trespassing sign means to the public; Chief Trott said it serves as a notice. Francis stated it is his belief that if we require one home owner to do something, we must require all in the same situation to do the same. John Chessey spoke to the Board and referenced an RSA regarding junkyards. He asked the Board who was responsible to enforce this law? He stated that he believed that the Board must follow the law, as it is their responsibility to enforce it. Ray asked for clarification on what he would like to see done. Quentin stated it is the year of the Town's 250th celebration and they would like to see it cleaned up. Ray said they will research and find out what their responsibilities are. Quentin stated that he disagrees with Francis' response that if you do to one property, you must do to all and stated it is not true. Chris stated that initially they wrote the letter in hopes of the owners cleaning it up. Ken Cilley stated that isn't it a State road, and asked whether it's considered a Scenic Highway? Ray stated he will stop in to the NHMA and speak to them tomorrow. Chris stated that once they have looked into the matter, they will invite the owners of the property, and those in attendance to a meeting to discuss it together.

Andrew Grignon spoke to the Board regarding ATV usage in Wentworth. He stated they are looking to have extended permission in Wentworth for the upcoming year. He said there is currently a bill (HB1396) awaiting approval in the House. The Board asked if when the bill passes granting permission, if they will be expanding the travel area. Andrew said yes. Pete stated that the new law will legalize the trail in Warren and then we could connect to it. Ray asked if there were any complaints heard. Andrew said they have not received any. Chief Trott also stated he had not received any complaints. Pete made a motion to extend the usage for 1 year, seconded by Ray and Chris and approved, with the exception that it will be modified when the bill passes. Andrew inquired about parking at Hamilton, Chris stated that has always been allowed, and discussed areas acceptable and unacceptable for parking.

Janice Thompson inquired about repairs at the old Town Hall. Chris stated the town's insurance will run out at the end of June. We have received one quote, and we are reaching out for a second quote from another company. Chris stated that we will not know what is required for repair until the town accepts a quote and the insurance company schedules to review the properties.

Chris stated if there was no other business, they will move to go into a Non-Public meeting. Francis requested that the Board inform the public at the next Selectmen's meeting the outcome and decisions that may have been made. Chris stated they would do so.

At 6:55 pm, Pete motioned to go into a Non-Public Meeting per RSA 91-A:3, II(e) – Consideration or negotiation of pending claims or litigation which has been threatened in writing or filed against the public body or any subdivision thereof, or against any member thereof because of his or her membership in such public body, until the claim or litigation has been fully adjudicated or otherwise settled. The motion was seconded by Chris and approved.

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Ray motioned to come out of the Non-Public meeting at 7:05 pm, seconded by Pete and approved.

The Board returned to the Public meeting. The Board discussed a request the NH Office of Energy and Planning to schedule a meeting to discuss participation in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), the management and enforcement practices. The Board requested the office contact them to schedule a meeting at their next Selectmen's meeting of June 21.

The Board stated there will be no Working meeting next week on June 14, 2016.

Chris motioned to adjourn the public meeting at 7:17 pm, seconded Ray and Pete and approved.

Respectfully submitted by Catherine Stover

Minutes accepted by



TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN
Non-Public Minutes (1) of June 07, 2016

Present: Chris Bassingthwaite, Pete Santom, Ray Youngs, Catherine Stover

Also Present: Arlene Patten

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TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN
Minutes of Selectmen's Working Meeting of June 14, 2016

Present:
Also Present:

No Meeting was held.

Respectfully submitted by Catherine Stover

TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN
Selectmen's Business Meeting of June 21 2016

Present: Chris Bassingthwaite, Pete Santom, Ray Youngs and Catherine Stover

Also Present: Chief Wally Trott, Arlene Patten, Janice Thompson, Kay Bailey, Eric and Michelle Racine, Randy Rugar, Corrine Cormiea, George and Martha Morrill, Charlie Chandler, Sam Fouad, Walter Rebele, Brian Clark, Steve Czarnecki, Donna King, Deb Ziemba

Chris motioned to open the meeting at 6:01 pm, seconded by Ray and approved.

Chris stated he would like to add a Non-Public Meeting at 7 pm, per RSA 91-A:3, II(c) – Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person, other than a member of the body or agency itself, unless such person requests an open meeting. Ray and Pete agreed to the request.

Chris asked George about the repair of the window at the Old Town Hall. Chris stated that the Board has agreed to the repair. George and Martha stated the Historical Society has agreed to pay for the repair.

Chris discussed the Old Town Hall regarding the installation of a septic system. He noted that Eric Merluzzi has contacted the office, wanting to know how many people the Town anticipates attending events at the Town Hall; Chris stated about 100, and wrote down some questions to ask the Fire Chief and Mr. Merluzzi. Palmer stated there was discussion years ago to use the Historical Society well. Chris asked about attendance at square dancing. Palmer said usually under 80.

The Board reviewed and/or signed the following:

Meeting Minutes of June 7

Abatements for properties: ML 04-02-13, 08-11-17, 08-11-12

Refund for Timber OP#14-475-15, & ML 05-01-09

Metal Collection contract with Randy Morrison, 6-15-16 to 12-15-16

Notice of right to repurchase ML 04-02-13, 08-11-12 & 08-11-17

AH Harris & Sons Contract

Chief Trott stated it has been busy in Wentworth. He wanted to dispel a rumor, there was no shooting a couple of weeks ago in town. Also he noted there have been some scams reported such as a paving one asking residents to sign on, and suggested that folks check with the Better Business Bureau. He also stated there is a scam involving people selling discount meats/foods out of the back of their pickup truck, and it is unsafe – people should be weary, as the food is not kept at a safe temperature for consumption. Chief Trott also discussed the fencing around the tennis court at Riverside Park. He stated it needs to be looked at as it is torn down from the top about 3-4 feet and asked if it is the Town's responsibility. The Board said they will look into it. Chief Trott also discussed concerns regarding campers at Hamilton Field. He stated there have been camp fires, garbage etc. and asked if anyone sees camping, to please call and report the situation and they will address it.

Chief Trott said he wanted to bring to the Board's attention that he is in need of additional storage space for police department files and equipment. He will need some additional file cabinets that can be locked, and possibly an additional outdoor shed for the trailer, signs, tires etc.

Chief Trott stated that this past week and weekend they lost a lot of time and work due to the system being down. He stated this has been an ongoing problem since he has been here, and suggests possibly looking into FairPoint vs. Time Warner in terms of the price and savings.

Also he stated that it is his understanding that that the Police Department will be given a Warrant for Unlicensed Dogs, and asked the Board how it would be handled. He stated it is his understanding in the past they have been forgiven or not acted upon, and it is a waste of time if the Town is not enforcing the Warrant. The Board directed Chief Trott to enforce the Warrant. Janice Thompson asked the Board about fees associated with dogs that are picked up by the animal control officer. The Board stated that the owner is responsible to reimburse the Town for those associated fees. The Board thanked Chief Trott for his input and work. Martha Morrill also thanked him and said he was doing a great job.

Charlie Chandler introduced himself to the Board and stated that he is a candidate for NH Senate District 2. Mr. Chandler shared his business background (over 45 years in State and Local government) and his personal background (NH Native and lifelong resident). He discussed his desire to serve the district. Mr. Chandler thanked the Board for the opportunity to speak.

George told the Board that there is often trash left after events. Chris stated that if it is trash left unpicked up, they don't get their refund. Chris stated they are planning on changing the door keys at the Town Hall. George asked if they could get some wide dust mops. The Board will look into it.

Donna King introduced Deb Ziemba, her newly hired Deputy. Deb will be training and working on Tuesday evenings. The Board and audience welcomed her, and she gave a brief background of herself.

Donna asked the Board if the Town Hall will continue to remain open while it has no bathroom. Chris stated they are still working on the matter. He asked Palmer if they held their last square dance there, and Palmer said yes as there was a porta potty. Chris said for now, it would remain open.

Walter Rebele was in attendance and addressed the Board about the race track. He stated on Friday, they had gone beyond their scheduled time, until 10:30. Walter discussed the issues he has with his campers, the change of racing from Sunday to Friday, the noise level in the campground etc. He asked what it would take to require the track to put in a sound barrier? Chris stated he believes that it would require a petition with signatures and will look into how many signatures needed. Walter stated he was not aware that there were going to be any changes, and was not aware that this year's contract would be changed from Friday to Sunday. Chief Trott stated he has been there for all races thus far with the exception of last week's race and he will check with Officer Hill. He stated he makes sure that all races end when they are required to and the only races that sometimes continue past 10 pm are endro races, but in no case do races start past 9:30. He will check and get back to Mr. Rebele.

Corrine Cormiea discussed the maintenance of Vik Mountain Road. Chris said he would look into it.

Ray Youngs discussed the property on the corner. Ray stated he has spoken with Attorney Byrnes at the New Hampshire Municipal Association, and read an email he received from her regarding the situation. NHMA states that if the property qualifies as a junkyard, RSA 236:112, the DOT has authority to regulate, and in addition the Town has the ability to take enforcement action per RSA 236:119. Ray stated he will try to speak with the owners.

At 7 pm, Chris motioned to go into a Non-Public Meeting per RSA 91-A:3, II(c) – Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person, other than a member of the body or agency itself, unless such person requests an open meeting. The motion was seconded by Pete and approved. The Board met with the Transfer Station attendant to discuss some personal issues. Chris motioned to come out of the Non-Public meeting at 7:15 pm, seconded by Ray and approved.

The Board decided to post an opening for back up support for the Transfer Station Attendant on an as needed basis and also decided to require those using the Transfer Station to have a dump sticker as

of July 1st. The Transfer Station Attendant will have the stickers on hand to hand out and verify residency. Donna gave Eric the stickers and discussed logging and tracking them. The Board asked the Administrative Assistance to place a notice on the website.

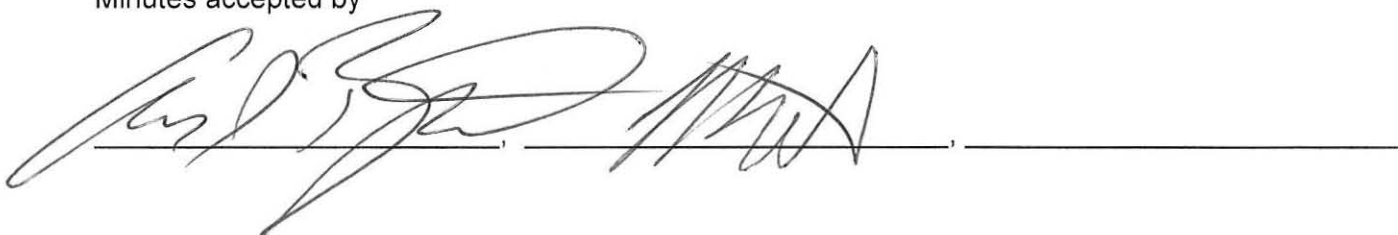
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The Board stated there will be a Working Meeting next week on June 28, 2016.

Chris motioned to adjourn the public meeting at 8:07 pm, seconded Ray and Pete and approved.

Respectfully submitted by Catherine Stover

Minutes accepted by

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TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN
Non-Public Minutes (1) of June 21, 2016

Present: Chris Bassingthwaite, Pete Santom, Ray Youngs, Catherine Stover, Arlene Patten

Also Present: Eric Racine, Michelle Racine, Randy Rugar, Chief WallyTrott

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TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN
Non-Public Minutes (2) of June 21, 2016

Present: Chris Bassingthwaite, Pete Santom, Ray Youngs, Catherine Stover, Arlene Patten

Also Present: Chief Wally Trott, Brian Clark, Steve Czarnecki

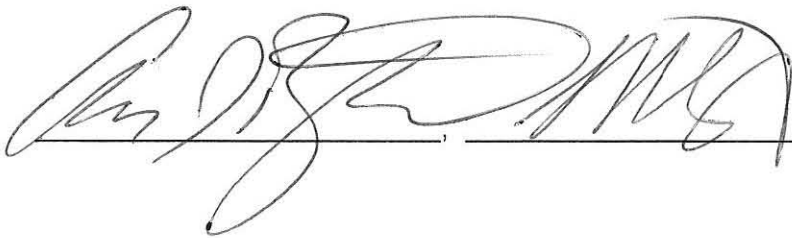
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The Board met with the Warren Wentworth Ambulance. No decisions were made.

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TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN
Minutes of Selectmen's Working Meeting of June 28, 2016

Present: Chris Bassingthwaite, Pete Santom, Ray Youngs, Catherine Stover
Arlene Patten

Also Present: Brian Clark, Steve Czarnecki, Steve Albaugh

Chris motioned to open the meeting at 6:00 pm, seconded by Ray and approved. The Board signed a modified contract for the Warren Wentworth Ambulance Service. The yearly amount of \$21,500.00 to be paid in in four equal quarterly payments of \$5,375.00. The Town issued a second quarterly period payment to WWAS. The WWAS thanked the Board for their time.

Chris stated that someone from Camp Pemi has reached out to him and they would like to volunteer some time towards Wentworth's 250th celebration. The Board discussed having assistance in painting the posts around the common. Chris will work with the Highway Department to replace any posts that need replacing and will contact Craig Pasco regarding the paint. He will also coordinate the work offer from the Pemi Camp.

The Board reviewed and discussed a quote received from Primex for Property Liability Insurance and Workers Comp. They declined the offer.

The Board read an email received from legal regarding a deeded property.

Chris motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:20 pm, seconded by Ray and approved.

Respectfully submitted by Catherine Stover

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