

Wentworth Select Board

Meeting minutes

April 19, 2022

Those present: Arnold Scheller, Sonia Scheller, Richard Ducheneau (via Zoom), Chief Ames, Chief Trott, Paul Manson (via Zoom), Francis Muzzey, Omer Ahern, Ron Giroux, and Linda Franz

Called to Order: Arnold Scheller called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

The following documents were signed: payroll and vendor checks; meeting minutes for April 5, 2022, Four solar exemption applications, Timber yield tax for Clarkin and King, Intents to cut for John King and Cheryl King et al, Abatement request for refund of inventory penalty, NH Electric Co-op easement for electricity at Hamilton Field, Quote for refurbished compactor.

A.Scheller announced that the NHDOT approved funding for the Frescoln Road bridge for an estimated amount of \$862,977. The state pays 80% and the town pays 20%. We are still waiting on a possible FEMA obligation where the town's responsibility is 5%, which would, of course, be the better option. He also announced that the paving of the school parking lot will take place sometime in the summer. SAU48 is putting this out to bid and will let us know the date. The Veterans' Memorial Committee met recently and decided to make a rectangular plot along Route 25 to plant sunflowers in support of Ukraine. The seeds have been started and seedlings will be planted at the Memorial Day service.

Ron Giroux, the new owner of the racetrack, now called Legion Speedway, gave an overview and goals of the business. Races will take place on Friday evenings between 5PM and 10PM. Their goals emphasize safety, site improvements and community interaction.

Chief Trott reported that he is back to work on light duty and will handle mainly administrative work. The department is now a part of a new computer system which is the same as the state police. He will be training over the next couple of weeks.

Chief Ames reported that there has been a slow-down in calls, but still remains somewhat active with mutual aid. The WFD accepted a check from the Lions Club fundraiser for the trailer for the snow rescue sled and ATV. There have been regular meetings regarding officer elections, racetrack coverage and permitting, and review of MVA operations. He also noted that the Easter egg hunt was a great success. In addition, their annual plant and bake sale will be held on May 28, 2022 from 9AM to 12PM. This is an important fundraiser for the WFD, and he will promote it on social media.

Paul Manson provided a written report for the Highway Department, and it is a part of these minutes. Francis Muzzey brought it to the road agent's attention that Saunders Hill Road has not been graded yet this spring.

Mikey Leviss announced that he is moving and is resigning as a Library Trustee and a Cemetery Trustee. His service to the town is greatly appreciated and he will be missed.

At 5:30 PM, A.Scheller made a motion to enter into a non-public session pursuant to 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 this board, unless such person requests an open meeting. This exemption shall extend to include any application for assistance or tax abatement or waiver of a fee, fine or other levy, if based on inability to pay or poverty of the applicant.* Seconded by S.Scheller. By roll call vote, A.Scheller voted yes. S.Scheller voted yes. R.Ducheneau voted yes. All three voted in the affirmative, and the motion carried.

Re-entered public meeting at 5:35 PM.

A.Scheller made a motion to seal the minutes of the just concluded non-public session. Seconded by S.Scheller. All three voted in the affirmative, and the motion carried.

A.Scheller made a motion to allow Linda Franz to contact Stanley Kulenski regarding his request to speak with the Select Board and his absence from the scheduled non-public session. Seconded by S.Scheller. All three voted in the affirmative, and the motion carried.

Re-entered public meeting at 5:40 PM.

At 5:40 PM, A.Scheller made a motion to enter into a non-public session pursuant to 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 this board, unless such person requests an open meeting. This exemption shall extend to include any application for assistance or tax abatement or waiver of a fee, fine or other levy, if based on inability to pay or poverty of the applicant.* Seconded by R.Ducheneau. By roll call vote, A.Scheller voted yes. S.Scheller voted yes. R.Ducheneau voted yes. All three voted in the affirmative, and the motion carried.

Re-entered public meeting at 5:48 PM.

A.Scheller made a motion to seal the minutes of the just concluded non-public session. Seconded by S.Scheller. All three voted in the affirmative, and the motion carried.

A.Scheller made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by R.Ducheneau. All three voted in the affirmative, and the meeting was adjourned at 5:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted by: Linda Franz, Administrative Assistant



Arnold Scheller, Chairman



Sonia Scheller



Richard Ducheneau

(No Subject)

From: j&l redbones (jlredbones@yahoo.com)

To: jlredbones@yahoo.com

Date: Tuesday, April 19, 2022, 04:31 PM EDT

Wentworth Fire

Calls for service

Motor vehicle accident Mutual aid to Warren

Automatic standby for Rumney as they were on multiple calls

Meetings

Acceptance of check from lions Club towards trailer

Regular meeting Officer elections, discussion of race track coverage and permitting. Went over mva operations

Other

Had a great day and time with the kids Easter egg hunt and Easter Bunny

Coming up is the plant and bake sale May 28th 9 -12

Jeffry Ames

Chief Wentworth Fire Department

# Road Agent report

4/19/2022

I think spring is finally here , the temps are warming up and the ground is drying out.

The last two weeks we have had the grader out doing some preliminary grading and smoothing the roads out until we do our final spring / summer grading. We have removed all road posting signs , our roads have dried up nicely .

We have put all our winter equipment away , plows and sanders. We did all the spring maintenance , greased everything , oiled all sander chains and washed the plows.

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This week we will be concentrating on sweeping all of the paved roads and cleaning and washing bridges. We have a busy summer coming up.

Paul Manson