

TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE  
OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN

Minutes of Meeting November 06, 2012

Due to Election Day, no Meeting was held.

TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE  
OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN

Minutes of Meeting November 13, 2012

Present: Randy Morrison, Francis Muzzey and Catherine Stover

Also Present: Ellie Murray, Palmer Koelb, Bobby Cass, George Morrill, Deb and Megan Gelsi, Craig Pasco, Robert Horne, William Muzzey, and Kenyon Karl (recording the meeting)

Francis motioned to open the meeting at 6:19 pm, seconded by Randy and approved. (Steve Davis was out sick tonight, and Randy was not able to get to the Meeting until 6:19 pm).

Selectmen reviewed and/or signed the following:

- Vendor payments and Payroll
- Meeting Minutes of 10/30/12
- Highway requisitions
- 2013 Mainstay Proposal, computer update/replacements, yearly ongoing IT Support Services. (Mainstay will come to next week's meeting to answer questions and discuss the Town's needs)
- 2012 Equalization Municipal Assessment Data Certificate
- Report of cut for Gove M/L 8-11-37, OP# 12-475-07
- Intent of cut for Bixby, M/L 05-01-09, OP# 12-475-16
- MS5 (Note- this was signed by Selectmen 11/ 7&8 /12)

Bobby Cass spoke with the selectmen and gave a Highway Department update. Francis told Randy that he has spoken with Bobby in regards to the issue of cutting down the shoulders on the cross road, and Bobby assured Francis that the runoff will not be eroding the bank. Randy asked if Bobby was all done grading. Bobby said they are not, he has Atwell Hill, Beech Hill and Cape Moonshine left to do. Francis stated that one issue he does have, which he believes is a top priority, is that the Atwell Hill road shoulders need to be stabilized. Bobby stated that as soon as the grading is done, he will be swapping the blades out and will begin. Francis asked about concerns of being too far into the Fall to do these things, and Bobby said no. He said he will be working on Beech Hill on Thursday, and the Highway Dept will be closed on Friday (this day off is taken in place of Monday's Veteran's Day holiday, which they worked).

Bobby discussed the recent repair to 2004 Dump truck – the body was rusted out, and has been repaired; they had to fabricate and reinforce it. Bobby stated the truck will need some upcoming repairs which will be costly such as the motor, oil pan rusted out, and springs which are worn out. Bobby asked if the Board desires to repair or trade it. Bobby stated that to fix the oil pan alone will be approximately \$2,500. Francis wants this on the agenda for next week. Selectmen asked Bobby to present some cost comparisons of replacements, and Bobby said he will.

Francis noted the reminders listed on the Agenda:

- On November 14, 2012 at 6:00 pm, there will be a Hazard Mitigation Plan Meeting, with Paul Hatch, June Garneau and various people from the departments.
- The Town Clerk/Tax Collector's office will be closed next week on Wednesday and Thursday for Thanksgiving, and the Selectmen's office will be closed on Thursday.

Deb Gelsi asked about East Side Road, the condition of both ends, as well as her road (Red Oak Hill) which she stated is deteriorating badly, particularly the shoulder (where the asphalt meets the dirt) and is crumbling, and is eroding her driveway. She is wondering if the repair of this road is going to be budgeted to be redone next year. Francis asked Bobby to look at it; Bobby said they will probably need to pull the shoulders, to get the water away from the asphalt.

Deb Gelsi thanked the Road Department for the placement of signs – Dangerous intersection - that have been posted.

Francis restated his concern regarding doing/finishing the shoulders on Atwell Hill. Bobby stated that the delay was due to weather.

Deb Gelsi addressed the Selectmen regarding the school, which is an emergency shelter. She stated that when we lost power from the storm, the school was not opened as an emergency shelter, and she felt the primary reason it was not open was due to the fact that there is no generator, and wanted to know why the school was not opened. She requested that the Selectmen consider that any power outage for more than 12 – 24 hours, that the school be opened as an emergency shelter. Francis stated he had spoken with Jeff, and Jeff did not authorize to have the school opened. Francis felt the decision to not open the school was probably due to the warm weather, and stated that Jeff Ames is in charge of this, and he would have to be involved. The Board requested the office to contact Jeff and see if he is able to come to Selectmen's Meeting next week to address this issue.

Deb Gelsi inquired about the office hours next week during the Thanksgiving Holiday. She stated that per the Warrant Article, the Town Clerk's office will be opened 20 hours. She wanted to know what other hours the TC/TC office will be opened that week, and suggested posting the intended hours so others could know. She also mentioned that per the notice on the agenda, the offices will be closed the week of Christmas on Tuesday, and the following week on New Year's Day, and also wants to know what additional hours the TC/TC office will be opened.

Francis stated that as a matter of public record, we will be interviewing 3 applicants for the Highway Department, one of which is his cousin. He stated that he had planned on sitting out of the meeting, but because Steve is absent, Steve requested that Francis sit in on the interview, which Francis has agreed to, but stated he will not be asking any questions.

Randy motioned to go into a Non-Public Meeting at 6:47 pm, per **RSA 91-A:3, II(b)** –The hiring of any person as a public employee, seconded by Francis and approved. Selectmen interviewed an applicant for the part-time support position in the Highway Department. Randy motioned to come out of the meeting at 6:56 pm, seconded by Francis and approved. No decisions were made.

Randy motioned to go into a Non-Public Meeting at 6:57 pm, per **RSA 91-A:3, II(b)** –The hiring of any person as a public employee, seconded by Francis and approved. Selectmen interviewed an applicant for the part-time support position in the Highway Department. Randy motioned to come out of the meeting at 7:03 pm, seconded by Francis and approved. No decisions were made.

Randy motioned to go into a Non-Public Meeting at 7:04 pm, per **RSA 91-A:3, II(b)** –The hiring of any person as a public employee, seconded by Francis and approved. Selectmen interviewed an applicant for the part-time support position in the Highway Department. Randy motioned to come out of the meeting at 7:20 pm, seconded by Francis and approved. No decisions were made.

Selectmen requested the office to write letters to the applicants. Selectmen wish to bring Larry Walker back on board, and agreed that he may begin with some projects now as needed. Selectmen also wish to hire an additional part-time worker for the Highway Department to alleviate the need for overtime for full-time workers.

Randy motioned to go into a Non-Public Meeting at 7:21 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, seconded by Francis and approved. Selectmen discussed personnel issues. Randy motioned to come out of the meeting at 7:23 pm, seconded by Francis and approved. No decisions were made.

Selectmen decided that due to Christmas Holiday, which falls on a Tuesday, in which the office will be closed; the Selectmen will have their weekly meeting held on Wednesday, Dec 26. There will be no meeting the following week due to New Years Day.

Francis motioned to adjourn the Selectmen’s Meeting at 7:38 pm, seconded by Randy and approved.

Respectfully submitted by Catherine Stover

Minutes accepted by

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**Non- Public Minutes (1) of November 13, 2012 Meeting**

Present: Randy Morrison, Francis Muzzey, Catherine Stover

Also Present: Robert Horne

Randy motioned to go into a Non-Public Meeting at 6:47 pm, per **RSA 91-A:3, II(b)** –The hiring of any person as a public employee, seconded by Francis and approved. Selectmen interviewed an applicant for the part-time support position in the Highway Department.

No decisions were made.

Randy motioned to come out of the Non-Public Meeting at 6:56 pm, seconded by Francis and approved.

Respectfully submitted,  
Catherine Stover

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**Non- Public Minutes (2) of November 13, 2012 Meeting**

Present: Randy Morrison, Francis Muzzey, Catherine Stover

Also Present: William Muzzey

Randy motioned to go into a Non-Public Meeting at 6:57 pm, per **RSA 91-A:3, II(b)** –The hiring of any person as a public employee, seconded by Francis and approved. Selectmen interviewed an applicant for the part-time support position in the Highway Department.

No decisions were made.

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**Non- Public Minutes (3) of November 13, 2012 Meeting**

Present: Randy Morrison, Francis Muzzey, Catherine Stover

Also Present: Larry Walker

Randy motioned to go into a Non-Public Meeting at 7:04 pm, per **RSA 91-A:3, II(b)** –The hiring of any person as a public employee, seconded by Francis and approved. Selectmen interviewed an applicant for the part-time support position in the Highway Department.

No decisions were made.

Randy motioned to come out of the Non-Public Meeting at 7:20 pm, seconded by Francis and approved.

Respectfully submitted,  
Catherine Stover

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TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE  
OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN  
Minutes of Meeting November 20, 2012

Present: Steve Davis, Randy Morrison, Francis Muzzey and Catherine Stover

Also Present: Chief Kevin Kay, Chief Jeff Ames, Eric Shanley, Ellie Murray, Palmer Koelb, Donna King, Noel King, Jordan King, Carl Saras and Kenyon Karl (recording the meeting)

Francis motioned to open the meeting at 6:05 pm, seconded by Randy and approved.

Selectmen reviewed and/or signed the following:

- Vendor payments
- Meeting Minutes of 11/13/12
- Highway requisitions and Highway work week of upcoming week
- Intents to Cut for Noel King, M/L 11-06-15&16, OP #12-475-17 and Ellie Murray, M/L 05-08-04 & 5, OP #12-475-18
- Timber Tax Warrant for Coursey, OP# 12-475-13, M/L 14-01-01

Francis read some of the items from the "old/ongoing business" section of the agenda;

- TC/TC office will be closed Wed & Thurs for Thanksgiving; Selectmen's office closed on Thursday
- Town Offices will be closed Tues, Dec 25; Selectmen's Meeting to be held on Wed, Dec 26.
- Selectmen's Office will be closed on Tues, Jan 1 and there will be no Selectmen's Meeting.

Chief Jeff Ames spoke with the Selectmen regarding emergency locations within the Town. He said the intent of using the school as well as other designated emergency shelters was never meant for single use (or just a few families) to go there. Jeff stated that when in use, it will need to be staffed with police, fire, and school personnel for serving food. As a result they have not had anything in place for spot areas of the town. The shelters are meant for a town wide catastrophic event such as a Hurricane that takes out many buildings and homes. There was a shelter available to people at the Plymouth State University at the Hub building. He stated that residents should be contacting the Police Dept, Fire Dept or Selectmen when the need arises, not after the fact. Ellie Murray stated that per the 2009 Hazard Mitigation Plan, there are 3 designated emergency shelters: the school, the Fire Station and the Baker River Bible Church. Steve stated that it would be his desire to have all departs develop a plan to communicate to one another regarding issues/concerns brought forth to the departments - that they be connected during an emergency. Jeff also stated that in the future, the issue of putting a generator at the school should be looked at. Steve agreed and stated the issue will be brought up at the school board meeting, as it is the school's responsibility as it is their asset.

The Board reviewed and signed a Planning Scope of Work & agreement regarding our Hazard Mitigation plan with Mapping and Planning Solutions. Randy signed on behalf of the Board.

The Board reviewed and discussed the unofficial proposed town tax rate to be set by the State. As proposed, the tax rate will be \$20.623, a decrease of \$.15 from last year's tax rate of \$20.78. Based on this decrease, the Selectmen agreed to not use any of the surplus fund balance. Randy signed on behalf of the Board.

Eric Shanley, from Mainstay Technologies, discussed with the Selectmen equipment and IT support for 2013. Eric discussed server replacement issues, and workstation upgrades. The Town received a donated 6 yr old server when ours went down 2 yrs ago from Mid-State. Eric discussed the importance of being proactive in being prepared to replace equipment prior to equipment failure. The Board discussed costs, brands. Steve requested lease price info. Eric said he will gather that information and send it to the Selectmen.

Donna King addressed the Board regarding upcoming holiday hours. Donna stated she was aware of a complaint made by Ms. Gelsi last week in regards to her office being closed Wednesday and Thursday this



week due to Thanksgiving. She stated that she has given advance notice and has received no complaints from residents this year or last to office closure hours. She will not be making up hours.

Chief Kay gave the Selectmen a status update. The cruiser was out last week and had the AC re-replaced. He stated it was last replaced end of August, beginning of Sept. They also had the snow tires put on. They also spoke with the garage regarding transmission noise that continues, but weren't able to locate origin. He stated that the headlights were incorrectly installed by a previous installer, have been corrected by 2Way Communication. Steve requested that we send a letter to Ossipee Electronics and include the billing from 2Way & request they reimburse the Town for costs of correcting. The Board agreed with Steve's request. Chief Kay also informed the Board that they will also see a 2nd billing from 2Way regarding programming of their radios. The costs associated with this service will be reimbursed through a state grant which he stated will probably not be received until the beginning of 2013. He also informed the Board that Officer Miller has attended and completed 2 days of required taser training, the costs were shared with Rumney.

Francis stated that he made an objection to having the Planning Board regulations online. He stated that the Town spent a considerable amount of money some years ago creating them and even though a small remuneration, they have the opportunity to sell them to surveyors. The Administrative Assistant presented a letter written to the Selectmen regarding the incident which occurred the previous week, in which Mr. Muzzey came into the Selectmen's office and was very irate, and out of control and cursed at the Administrative Assistant regarding this topic. The Administrative Assistant told the Board that she asked and was given permission from Quentin Mack to place Planning Board minutes and regulations on the Town website over a year ago. Francis and Ellie stated that Quentin had no authority to authorize placing the regulations on the website. Donna King stated that the only town that does not post them on their website is Warren, all the others post. The Administrative Assistant stated that the incident that occurred the previous week was inexcusable and unacceptable and would not be accepted ever again. Donna also stated that the tone she heard from her office towards an employee was inexcusable. Francis denied name calling, and Donna stated that he called the Administrative Assistant a "God damned liberal". Francis agreed that he had. Steve stated it was totally unacceptable behavior, and both Steve and Randy apologized and signed that they had read the Administrative Assistant's letter of complaint.

Steve motioned to go into a Non-Public meeting at 7:01 pm per **RSA 91-A:3, II(d)** – Consideration of the acquisition, sale or lease of real or personal property which, if discussed in public, would likely benefit a party or parties whose interests are adverse to those of the general community, seconded by Randy and approved. Noel and Jordan King discussed interest in purchasing a Town owned property on Hooper Hill which is for sale. Steve motioned to come out of the meeting at 7:15 pm, seconded by Randy and approved.

Selectmen invited the public back into the meeting room. Selectmen announced that they have accepted an offer for Town owned property located on Hooper Hill, M/L 11-01-09 for \$20,000.00 from Noel and Jordan King.

Kenyon had turned off his recording equipment and requested the Board mention the decision again at next week's meeting.

Steve motioned to go into a Non-Public meeting at 7:17 pm per **RSA 91-A:3, II(b)** – The hiring of any person as a public employee, seconded by Randy and approved. Chief Kay discussed hiring status, no decisions were made. Steve motioned to come out of the Non-Public meeting at 7:26 pm, seconded by Randy and approved.

Francis motioned to adjourn the Selectmen's Meeting at 7:38 pm, seconded by Randy and approved.

Respectfully submitted by Catherine Stover

Minutes accepted by

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Also Present: Noel King and Jordan King

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Present: Randy Morrison, Steve Davis, Francis Muzzey and Catherine Stover

Also Present: Chief Kevin Kay

Steve motioned to go into a Non-Public meeting at 7:17 pm per **RSA 91-A:3, II(b)** – The hiring of any person as a public employee, seconded by Randy and approved.

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TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE  
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Minutes of Meeting November 27, 2012

Present: Steve Davis, Francis Muzzey and Catherine Stover

Also Present: Chief Kevin Kay, Ellie Murray, Palmer Koelb, Donna King, Deb Gelsi, Craig Pasco, Adam Grigarauskas, and Kenyon Karl (recording the meeting)

Selectmen held a budget workshop to review Selectmen's budget from 5 pm – 6 pm.

Steve motioned to open the Selectmen's meeting at 6:00 pm, seconded by Francis and approved.

Selectmen reviewed and signed vendor payments & payroll.

Francis stated that the tax rate has been set by the DRA at \$20.62. Francis and Steve signed the Tax Collector's Warrant.

Francis stated that last week, the Board accepted an offer for Town owned property located on Hooper Hill, M/L 11-01-09 for \$20,000.00 from Noel and Jordan King.

Donna King was in attendance and addressed the Board regarding the Baker River bridge that connects the town common, by the Paige's. She said has called the state regarding her concerns of corrosion, and lead from the deteriorating paint, which may be falling into river where residents swim. She spoke with David Powelson, and he told her that the only concern he is aware of, is if there were sand blasting, there would be a concern of air borne contaminates. He stated that if the town desired, they would need to write a letter to the state. Donna is concerned that these issues, such as this deteriorating bridge, and maintenance for the old Town Hall, have fallen low on the priority list.

Donna also inquired about a survey that was done about 10 years ago related to a master plan. She asked if the Town has one, Francis stated that the Planning Board has it. Donna is wondering why the issues that were brought forth in the survey have never been addressed. Francis stated that it is a lot of work, and not enough people showed an interest in assisting. She stated that a survey should be done to give the residents a voice in what they would like to see get done, such as what roads to be repaired, and prioritized and feels the Board should follow through. The Board listened to Donna's concerns.

Francis asked if Chief Kay was aware of a letter drafted to Ossipee Mountain Electrics. Chief Kay said he was aware of it. The Selectmen signed the letter. Chief Kay stated that the cruiser will soon need a new battery. He stated he has nothing else new this week. Deb Gelsi asked him if they have hired someone new in the last 6 months, as she thought she had seen a new officer. Chief Kay said no, just Brett Miller.

Adam Grigarauskas was in attendance and gave the Selectmen a status of the Transfer Station. Deb Gelsi stated that she wanted to say that she feels Adam is doing a great job at the Transfer Station. Craig Pasco also agreed. Ellie Murray agreed also. Francis asked Adam if there are any complaints as a result of the recent new posts at the Transfer Station (patrons are not allowed to empty their own recyclables due to safety concerns) Adam stated that he has had a few complaints, but not as many as expected.

Selectmen discussed recycling oil. Selectmen will talk to Patten to see if he wants to use the oil. Steve will look at his regulations from DOT regarding transporting oil, and the Board asked the office to give them the information from DES regarding transporting oil. Adam stated that the company that came and emptied the oil container suggested having people bring the oil in see through containers with their name and address written on it, and Adam could do a visual check to see if there is water in the oil. The Board discussed the roof that has been built over the oil. They requested the office to contact Jr., to see if he would build a 3 sided enclosure around the oil container, as the roof is quite high, and water can still get in.

The Board discussed building a ramp to replace the stairs to the Zero sort containers. Adam stated that one resident has offered to volunteer their time to assist in building the ramp. Selectmen thanked Adam for his good work and for the status update.

Steve motioned to go into a Non-Public meeting at 6:26 pm seconded by Francis and approved. Steve asked Deb Gelsi if she had anything for the board, and she said she did, but they had just motioned to go into a Non-Public meeting. Steve motioned to come out of the Non-Public meeting at 6:27 pm, seconded by Francis and approved, and they return to the public meeting.

Deb Gelsi addressed the Board with concerns of the condition of her road, Red Oak Hill. She stated that there are still many pot holes and divots need patching and the road needs drainage. She stated that since her request a couple of weeks ago, no work has been done to date. Deb Gelsi stated that Red Oak Hill still needs shoulder work done as well. Steve stated that he will speak with Bobby. Francis stated that the shoulders on Atwell Hill have been stabilized.

Deb Gelsi also asked about the Town Clerk/Tax Collector about holiday hours of last week. Donna stated that she did address this subject last week. She stated that the only complaint she received was from Deb Gelsi. Donna said that had she received concerns from a majority of the town, she would have taken that into consideration. Deb said she had volunteered to come on behalf of other people. Donna stated that if people have complaints, they can come to her or the Selectmen, but she prefer those with concerns come directly to her. Steve stated that it is really not a Selectmen issue. Deb stated that she felt that Donna needed to come to them to ask for the town off and as a Town employee, Donna is answerable to Selectmen. Donna stated she is not a Town employee, but rather an elected official.

Steve motioned to go into a Non-Public meeting at 6:33 pm per **RSA 91-A:3, II(a)** – Dismissal, promotion or compensation of any public employees or the disciplining of such employee, or the investigation of any charges against him, unless the employee affected (1) has a right to a meeting and (2) requests that the meeting be open, in which case the request shall be granted, seconded by Francis and approved. Selectmen discussed employee 90 day review and heating the transfer station attendant building. Steve motioned to come out of the Non-Public meeting at 6:43 pm, seconded by Francis and approved.

Selectmen approved a raise for Adam Grigarauskas, of \$1.00/hr. Selectmen also approved the purchase of a heater for the Transfer Station attendant building, as the heaters they are currently using are unsafe. (used heaters taken from the disposal container)

The public meeting continued. Donna King asked Selectmen about decorating the Town Common. She asked if the Selectmen would be interested in supporting lighting the band stand and decorating a tree, possibly having a yearly tradition. Selectmen stated they would support this. Palmer stated the tree closest to the flag pole would be good to use for decorating. Donna said she would volunteer the lights and asked if the Selectmen could have someone assist with a ladder.

Francis motioned to adjourn the Selectmen's Meeting at 6:53 pm, seconded by Steve and approved.

Respectfully submitted by Catherine Stover

Minutes accepted by

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Also Present: Adam Grigarauskas

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