TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN

Minutes September 1, 2009

Present: Steve Davis, Randy Morrison, Francis Muzzey and Janet Woolner
Also Present: Chief Kevin Kay, Ellie Murray, Gini Gove, and Palmer Koelb, Bob Cass

Francis moved to open the meeting at 6:00 pm, seconded by Steve and approved.

Selectmen discussed the Flu Clinic being held in Warren on 10/07/09 from 10 am to 7 pm. There is a $25 charge for the flu shots.

Francis moved to approve the August 18, 2009 minutes, seconded by Steve and approved. They also signed a Supplemental Intent to Cut for James Boyle, M/L 01-02-13, and approved a revised septic design for R & L Brown M/L 05-03-15.

It was agreed to leave the portable toilets in place at the parks until October 1, 2009.

Selectmen discussed the use of the Town Parks. Steve moved to have a public meeting in four weeks, September 29, 2009 to discuss use of the Wentworth parks, seconded by Randy and approved.

Bobby talked with Selectmen about winter salt at $72.50/ton and Selectmen authorized the purchase from Cargill. Steve requested that the roads be graded this fall. Steve also suggested a mile by mile assessment be done for all the roads for a five or ten year plan.

Bobby discussed how they wash the bridges each year.

Selectmen discussed the ambulance presence at the racetrack. Selectmen agreed the ambulance is mandatory and is a condition of the racetrack operation. Francis moved that an ambulance be present for any public racing event held in the Town of Wentworth, seconded by Randy and approved.

Chief Kay stated that an arrest was made for a burglary last spring. He also stated there will be a two hundred dollar increase for 2010 for prosecuting service, and said the racetrack was rained out the last two weeks.

Revolving funds for details was discussed and Chief Kay will research and advise more.

Selectmen discussed the fees for deeding property and then Francis moved to waive the 15% fee and charge a flat fee of $1,000 if legally permissible, seconded by Randy and approved by Steve.

Steve moved to have a monitor installed in the Town Clerk/Tax Collectors room, seconded by Randy and approved.

Francis moved, seconded by Randy and approved by Steve to go into non-public session at 7:20 pm per RSA 91-A:3, II (c) to discuss matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of a person. Francis moved to come out of non-public session at 7:38 pm, seconded by Randy and approved by Steve. Chief Kay discussed a personnel issue and the board concurred with the chief's decision.
Francis moved, seconded by Randy and approved by Steve to go into non-public session again at 7:40 pm per RSA 91-A:3, II (c) to discuss matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of a person. Francis moved to come out of non-public session at 7:50 pm, seconded by Randy and approved by Steve. Selectmen discussed a personnel issue and made no decisions.

Francis moved, seconded by Randy, and approved to adjourn the meeting at 7:51 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet E. Woolner

Minutes accepted by [Signatures]
TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN

Non-Public Minutes (1)
September 1, 2009

Present: Steve Davis, Randy Morrison, Francis Muzzey and Janet Woolner
Also Present: Chief Kevin Kay

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Janet E. Woolner
Minutes accepted by__________, _________, and ________
Present: Steve Davis, Randy Morrison, Francis Muzzey and Janet Woolner
Also Present:

Francis moved, seconded by Randy and approved by Steve to go into non-public session again at 7:40 pm per RSA 91-A:3, II (c) to discuss matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of a person. Francis moved to come out of non-public session at 7:50 pm, seconded by Randy and approved by Steve. Selectmen discussed a personnel issue and made no decisions.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet E. Woolner
Minutes accepted by__________, __________, and ________
Present: Steve Davis, Randy Morrison, Francis Muzzey and Janet Woolner
Also Present: Kevin Kay, Eugene Garrett, Gini Gove, Palmer Koelb, Ellie Murray, Catherine Stover, and Al Crossman

Francis opened the meeting at 6:01 pm.

Chief Kay talked with Selectmen and provided an update on Police issues.

Francis and Steve advised Chief Kay that they have had complaints about tickets being issued at the town parks. The Board also discussed use of the gazebo.

Selectmen signed minutes Non-Public minutes for August 18, 2009; and Minutes and Non-Public Minutes (x2) for September 1, 2009. They also signed letter to NH DOT requesting bridge reimbursement funds, and the MS1 form for NH DRA.

Selectmen discussed the transfer station stickers and the quantity as well as the type of debris at the Transfer Station. They will review costs and fees from other towns next week and update our town fees. Francis moved to change locks on the Transfer Station, seconded by Randy and approved. Then Eugene was advised to change the locks on the gate and to issue no additional keys without the approval of the Selectboard.

Steve Davis will get more information on managing waste oil and the possibility and liability to make the oil available to a local vendor.

Francis moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:04 pm, seconded by Randy and approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet E. Woolner
Minutes accepted by__________, __________, and ________
Minutes
September 15, 2009

Present:                  Steve Davis, Randy Morrison, Francis Muzzey and Janet Woolner
Also Present:        Chief Kevin Kay, Ellie Murray, Kenyon Karl, Paul Davis Jr., Jeff Ames,
                    Richard Slocum, Duane Brown, Gini Gove, Eugene Garrett, Michael King,
                    Bobby Cass, and Quinton Mack

Francis moved to open the meeting at 6:00 pm, seconded by Steve and approved.

Bobby Cass discussed the quality of the sand received and said the sand is to fine and
will not stick to the road. Bobby did talk to the vendor and the vendor cannot offer a
better grade at this time. Selectmen will look at the sand and make a decision whether
or not to change suppliers. Steve moved not to accept any more sand until it is
reviewed by the Board. This was seconded by Francis and approved. Bobby will call
the vendor tomorrow if it is not acceptable quality.

Bobby discussed the beaver problem in south Wentworth again and proposed to
replace the culvert with a 48\" screened pipe on Rowentown Road for $500. Randy
moved to authorize the purchase, seconded by Francis and approved.

Steve mentioned the Beech Hill wash out and discussed work needed also on Atwell
Hill Road. Bobby said he plans to work on both roads.

Chief Kay updated the Selectmen on the Racetrack.

Francis moved to accept the minutes for September 8, 2009, seconded by Randy and
approved. Selectmen approved the Tax Asset Detail from Crane & Bell CPA’s, signed
letters to Jason MacAlister, Rattlesnake Racetrack; DOT requesting funds for the
Saunders Hill Bridge; and signed a letter to Green Woodlands North regarding the gate
per a complaint received.

Selectmen signed Intent to Cut for K. Glass, M/L 05-01-22.

Francis and Randy requested a letter be sent to John Foster authorizing partial payment
of taxes on M/L 13-05-05.

Michael King discussed the purpose and services of North Country Council and left
literature for the Selectmen and the Planning Board. He said they can assist in many
different ways including economic development and recycling. He said the Local
Government Center can assist too and that grants are also available for beautification
plans. Michael will have Dan Woods from Pemi Baker Solid Waste District contact the
Selectboard to offer his assistance.
Jeff Ames discussed the ambulance with Selectmen and it was agreed to sign the letter to the Racetrack.

Quinton Mack talked to Selectmen about two locked gates and whether or not they are on private property or a town right-of-way. It was determined that the gate on Ellsworth Hill was put there many years ago and not by Green Woodlands North. It was decided that Green Woodlands North would modify the gate to allow pedestrian traffic. After discussion it was agreed Quinton will discuss this situation with the abutting owners in South Wentworth and send the Selectmen a letter confirming the changes on both roads.

Steve provided an update on his observations at the Transfer station last weekend. Steve handed out 36 stickers and would not allow out-of-towners to use the Transfer Station. It was agreed George Whiteneck’s daughter from Vermont could use the facility since she is a caretaker for her mother.

Francis moved to give out stickers at the time of vehicle registration. Individuals must present proof such as a legal agreement (ie lease) to prove they live in town. Any non-resident must be listed on the property owner tax list. This was seconded by Steve and approved by Randy. Exceptions will be considered on an individual basis. It was agreed to change the locks on the Transfer Station and to issue approximately 10 keys to specific people. Steve requested a 2010 budget item be considered for an assistant at the Transfer Station. Selectmen will send a notice and next week they will discuss and set a fee schedule for Transfer Station charges.

Francis moved to go into non-public session at 8:20 pm per RSA 91-A3, II (e) to discuss pending or threatened (in writing) litigation against the town, seconded by Randy and approved by Steve. Francis moved to come out of non-public session at 8:29 pm, seconded by Steve and approved by Randy.

Francis moved to contact Attorney Adele Fulton to discuss the pending litigation and possibly have her represent the town in this matter. This was seconded by Randy and approved by Steve.

Francis moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:31 pm, seconded by Randy and approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet E. Woolner
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Also Present

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Respectfully submitted,

Janet E. Woolner
Minutes accepted by__________, __________, and __________
Present: Steve Davis, Randy Morrison, Francis Muzzey and Janet Woolner

Also Present: Police Chief Kevin Kay, Gini Gove, Palmer Koelb, Ellie Murray, Al Crossman, Sam Green, Stephen Hamilton, Josephine Belville, Richard and Mae Borger, Chip Stata, Jason MacAlister, and Michelle Kosar

Steve opened the meeting at 6:00 pm, seconded by Randy and approved.

Steve mentioned that he did view the sand at the highway garage, while it was not as good of quality as last year, he did authorize the deliveries to continue.

Francis moved to approve minutes and non-public minutes for September 16, 2009, seconded by Randy and approved.

Selectmen signed Intent to Cut for Coursey M/L 10-04-08. Selectmen signed a letter to NH DES for the second phase of the Saunders Hill Bridge project.

Police Chief Kay discussed issues at the Racetrack and said he believes police were under staffed last week and there were issues that included eight people. Chief Kay has had complaints of livestock in the road. He suggested the Town draft an ordinance. Steve suggested this be per a RSA and that the Town would have to have a meeting.

Steve moved to send a copy of the email certified to Jason MacAlister. This was seconded by Randy and approved by Francis. Note below: Jason did come in and reconciled the amounts outstanding.

Stephan Hamilton from the Department of Revenue talked with the Select Board about the Borger property, M/L 11-05-14. He stated that Mandy and Sam Green not the Selectmen changed the property card back to show current use again. Selectmen talked with the three members of the Department of Revenue Administration. Sam Green discussed the property review requirements and Sam suggested the town hire someone to survey the Borger property. He also stated the Board of Land and Tax Appeal ruled that sheds of all sizes are to be valued (all structures are taxed). Stephan Hamilton said they will allow some time to resolve this (DRA will give the town 30 days to resolve it) and if the town can’t resolve the issue they will get someone to resolve it. Steve Davis said he would give an honest report and unbiased opinion.

Sam Green apologized to Randy Morrison if it appeared that he laughed at him earlier when they discussed this issue.
Jason MacAlister discussed the balances due for the racetrack and Selectmen received $800 cash from him for the racetrack. They also received $350 for the fire dept.

Francis moved to go into non-public session at 7:44 pm per RSA 91-A:3, II (e) to discuss pending litigation against the Town, seconded by Randy and approved by Steve. Francis moved to come out of non-public, session seconded by Steve and approved.

Selectmen agreed to have Adele Fulton represent the Town in a legal action.

Francis moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:56 pm, seconded by Randy and approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet E. Woolner
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Present: Steve Davis, Randy Morrison, Francis Muzzey and Janet Woolner
Also Present: Police Chief Kevin Kay, Gini Gove, Palmer Koelb, Ellie Murray, Carol Freidrich, Janice and John Thomson, Don Adams, Bonnie Jones, Larry Jones, Aaron Comeau, Joyce Woodes, Gayle Paige, Kathleen and Kevin Mack, Paula Davis, Kathy Keefe, John Comeau, Janice Comeau, Pete Chierichetti, Deb Koelb and Kenyon Karl

Steve moved to open the meeting at 6:00 pm, seconded by Randy and approved.

Selectmen approved a requisition for the highway garage, approved and signed the acceptance letter for the 911 maps, and approved the revised septic design for Randy Morrison, M/L 11-05-17.

Chief Kay updated Selectmen on the racetrack last weekend.

Steve Davis said he did a map and compass on the Borger property and this will be discussed next week.

Steve also discussed trimming trees on Ephraim Page Road and Selectmen will discuss this with the Road Agent.

Francis moved to approve non-public minutes for September 22, 2009, seconded by Randy and approved.

Kathleen and Kevin Mack discussed their property taxes and will talk to their title company about an existing lien. It was estimated to abatement $641.25 for M/L 05-08-28.

Selectmen discussed sheds less than 100 sq ft. and will get clarification from DRA on the minimum sq footage to be assessed.

Selectmen requested Trustees of the Trust Funds advise two Tuesdays they can be available for a Selectboard meeting to meet with Terry Knowles from the Attorney General’s Office.

Francis moved to go into the Public Hearing at 7:00 pm, seconded by Randy and approved. Selectmen welcomed discussion on the parks, usage and fees.
There was discussion in favor of allowing non-residents to use Riverside Park, Hamilton Field and the Town Common. There was also discussion from those that would like to keep things as is and allow only residents, property owners and guests to use the town parks and gazebo on the common. It was agreed to form a Park Ordinance Committee including Aaron Comeau, Kathy Keefe, John Comeau, Pete Chierichetti, Kathleen Mack, Carol Freidrich, Ellie Murray, Palmer Koelb, Kenyon Karl, and Gayle Paige.

Randy moved to adjourn hearing at 8:00 pm, seconded by Steven and approved.

A complaint was made to the Selectmen about the condition of August Road.

Francis moved to go into non-public session at 8:10 pm per RSA 91-A:3, II (e) to discuss pending litigation against the town, seconded by Randy and approved by Steve. Francis moved to come out of non-public session at 8:24 pm, session seconded by Steve and approved.

Randy moved to go to Superior Court for a hearing, seconded by Steve and approved by Francis.

Francis moved to go into non-public session at 8:25 pm per RSA 91-A:3, II (c) to discuss matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of a person, seconded by Randy and approved by Steve. Francis moved to come out of non-public at 8:40 pm, session seconded by Steve and approved. Selectmen discussed a personnel issue.

Randy moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:41 pm, seconded by Randy and approved.

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