Minutes of Meeting June 07, 2011

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

Also Present: Chief Kevin Kay, Ellie Murray, Bobby Cass, David Learned, Palmer Koelb, George Morrill

Randy motioned to open the Meeting at 6:00 pm, seconded by Francis and approved.

Francis asked Ellie about the poison ivy at the ball park. Ellie stated that it is a very large area, and she has purchased additional product, and will work on getting it sprayed. Selectmen approved and signed the receipt for the spray.

David Learned discussed with the selectmen placing flags at the Wentworth cemeteries. David said, in the past, they have only provided the services for the Foster cemetery. Steve stated that the town would like all 3 cemeteries to be done. David said this is not a problem, and they can do that going forward. Steve stated that the town has appropriated $100.00 specifically for this purpose. Steve motioned, seconded by Randy and approved to release the budgeted funds to the Legion for this purpose.

David Learned also discussed the charitable exemption in regards to the current tax bill the American Legion has recently received. The exemption is currently not reflected on M/L 13-04-08. A motion was made by Francis, that we make an investigation regarding this and that the Town abate appropriately no later than July 5, 2011, seconded by Randy and approved.

Chief Kay gave a status update. The department is working on 5 burglaries that occurred in the fall involving a resident from Ashland. Indictments are coming, and they anticipate more to follow. Francis asked how the victims will be compensated in regards to the burglaries. Chief Kay stated that restitution is part of the sentence.

The Chief discussed the air conditioner in their office; It is not functioning, and they will need to replace it.

The Selectmen discussed a scheduled pick-up of electronics tomorrow, at the transfer station. Randy asked if Bobby could be available to let them in and to give them a hand loading if need be. Bobby stated that he would be available.

Selectmen discussed the classification of the Saunders Hill brook bridge. Randy stated that per DOT, it is considered a class 6 and as such is not on the bridge inspection report. Francis said this bridge has always been maintained & believes that this is a class 5 highway. Selectmen requested the AA to contact DOT (Nancy Mayville) and find out how to go about getting this on the bridge inspection report list.
Randy inquired about Bobby’s Request for bid for winter sand, and what has been budgeted for this.

Francis gave a letter he had written to each of the Selectmen and to Bobby regarding specific highway department issues. Steve stated that he has not had an opportunity to read the letter written by Francis. Steve motioned that the letter is null and void, and advisory only until the entire board has had a chance to read it. The motion was seconded by Randy and approved. Steve reiterated that nothing changes until all of the Selectmen have read it. The board agreed as did Bobby. They will address this issue next week.

Bobby discussed the state bid for winter salt that the Selectmen’s office received last week. Bobby said we can get the salt cheaper through Granite State Minerals, and referred the selectmen to review his submitted price quote from Granite State Minerals. The Selectmen approved the quote from Granite State Minerals for 50 tons. Francis stated that the bid has been approved and signed.

The Selectmen discussed trees which are hanging over some roadways. Bobby stated that some trees which interfere with the right of way can be removed by the town, if at 4 feet high; they do not exceed 15” in diameter. If the trees are larger than 15” inches in diameter, the town must get permission from the landowner in writing. Per Bobby, we need to contact Carol Cole, regarding some trees which are on her property. Bobby will look into the cost for removal. Bobby also discussed poison ivy which surrounds the trees which are in need of removal. He stated that poison ivy spray will need to be applied, and he will fill out a requisition and purchase some. Motion by Steve that Bobby be allowed to purchase the spray, seconded by Randy and approved.

Selectmen discussed Kathy Keefe’s request for calcium chloride. Bobby stated he is aware that the request has been made, and as he promised last week, he intends to have this done by the end of this week. George Morrill asked the Selectmen about the use of calcium chloride on roads, and where and when it is placed. Selectmen stated that the residents just need to ask, or write a request. Bobby said he would do George’s road as soon as possible. Bobby reported that the highway department is busy grading roads and they will also soon be sweeping. Bobby stated that John Deere said they believe the problem with the backhoe is a relay issue and they will fix it. Francis discussed the requested lighting outside the garage and discussed putting in a ground fault.

Randy asked Bobby about the replacement posts for the Common. Bobby said he will be getting to them soon; the Highway department has received them and they are at the garage. Palmer offered to cut the tops as has been done in the past.

Steve told the board and those in attendance that he has painted over the “residents only” designation on the park signs, and will be putting a second coat of paint on them.

Bobby asked about the truck replacement. Bobby stated that Jim Ramsay, from Liberty International Trucks can be here next week to discuss the options. The Board would like to put him on the agenda. Bobby discussed with the Selectmen the options of Lease vs. purchase, automatic vs. manual, and including the lease amount in the budget. Chief Kay inquired about how much was going into the highway department capital reserve. The Selectmen briefly discussed with Ellie about putting the money back into the CR.
Selectmen reviewed and signed the finalized letters written by the Board addressed to Senator Ayotte, Congressman Guinta, Congressman Bass, and Senator Shaheen which address concerns raised by Larry King regarding the Softwood Lumber Agreement. (“SLA”). The letters request and urge the Representatives to support the enforcement of the Agreement. Larry has reviewed them and has given input, and the letters have been updated to reflect these changes. Steve asked that copies be made and posted.

The Selectmen reviewed and/or signed the following:

- Highway Requisitions and Highway safety inspection report
- Vendor checks
- Meeting Minutes of May 31, 2011 and Non-Public Minutes 1, 2, 3 of May 31, 2011
- Review & sign Report of Cut for:
  - Doveno M/L 11-01-22 Op# 10-475-12
  - Fraser M/L 12-01-15 Op#10-475-19
  - Gooden M/L 13-03-24 Op#10-475-13
- Vlk abatement, M/L 13-06-07

Motioned by Randy, seconded by Steve and approved to go into a Non-Public meeting at 7:15 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. Motion by Randy, seconded by Steve and approved to come out of the Non-Public meeting at 7:30 pm.

Motioned by Randy, seconded by Steve and approved to go into a Non-Public meeting at 7:31 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. Motion by Randy, seconded by Steve and approved to come out of the Non-Public meeting at 7:40 pm.

Motion by Randy, seconded by Francis and approved to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine Stover

Minutes accepted by __________________, __________________, __________________
PRESENT: Randy Morrison, Steve Davis, Francis Muzzey and Catherine Stover

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Respectfully submitted,

Catherine Stover

Minutes accepted by ______________________, ______________________, ______________________
TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN

Non- Public Minutes (2) of June 07, 2011 Meeting

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

Motioned by Randy, seconded by Steve and approved to go into a Non-Public meeting at 7:31 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. Motion by Randy, seconded by Steve and approved to come out of the Non-Public meeting at 7:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine Stover

Minutes accepted by ___________________, ___________________, ___________________
Present: Randy Morrison, Steve Davis, Francis Muzzey and Catherine Stover
Also Present: Chief Kevin Kay, Ellie Murray, Deb Vlk, Palmer Koelb

Randy motioned to open the Meeting at 6:00 pm, seconded by Francis and approved.

Chief Kay gave the Board a status update. The Department checked areas on Thursday in regards to storm damage. He said that Bobby was also out checking, and he felt that south Wentworth was probably the hardest hit. Other than the storm he stated it was business as usual.

The Chief stated that he was at the Town offices on Monday, and believes a monitor and backup surge protector in the Selectmen’s office were ruined due to the storm. He suggested that all computers and monitors be plugged into surge protectors. Francis discussed the surge protector protection level. Palmer asked about the feasibility of a building surge Protector from NH Electric Co-Op. Kevin stated he thought they were about $250 for the protector, and about $250 for installation. The office will look into the costs.

Selectmen discussed the size of containers placed by Cassella at the transfer station. Steve stated that he believes they are smaller than 40 yards. Randy Rugar measured the containers, and Francis feels that the measurements indicate the containers to be 40 yards. Steve would like to take a look at the past and current tonnage and would like to compare tipping weights & costs. The Board discussed the option of the Town purchasing their own containers. Chief Kay stated that New Hampshire The Beautiful offers grants to Towns for this purpose. The office will look into this.

Chief Kay discussed with the Selectmen ongoing testing which takes place at the transfer station. Francis stated that testing results have been ok, and that if we don’t pass, they do notify us.

Chief Kay asked the Selectmen if they had read his email that he had sent to them a few weeks ago. He stated that he believes the only way the town will get broadband service is through the use of a cell tower. The Board discussed where the towers could be placed. Palmer stated that there is a potential area on his property for a cell tower. Chief Kay and Palmer discussed the possibility of contacting the company again. Francis stated he would take a strong objection to the town tax payers shouldering related expenses to the cost of placing/having cell towers. The Board discussed possible ways in which to encourage the Town to come together to support cell service.

Selectmen discussed putting the request for bid on the Highway Department winter sand and gravel bid out. They would like the ad to run for one week, beginning as soon as possible.
The Selectmen reviewed and/or signed the following:

- Payroll & Vendor checks
- Meeting Minutes of June 7, 2011 and Non-Public Minutes 1, 2
- DOT letter regarding PA-28 2012 Inventory form
- Letter from NH Electric Co-Op; Final Petition and Pole License for poles to be located on North Dorchester Road.
- Intent to Cut, Cilley M/L 04-02-26 & 04-02-27, OP# 11-475-09
- Driveway permit for US Forest Service (Jason Walker) on Buffalo Rd. (temporary driveway for logging)

Motioned by Randy, seconded by Francis and approved to go into a Non-Public meeting at 6:35 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. Motion by Randy, seconded by Steve and approved to come out of the Non-Public meeting at 6:45 pm.

Motioned by Randy, seconded by Francis and approved to go into a Non-Public meeting at 6:50 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. Motion by Randy, seconded by Steve and approved to come out of the Non-Public meeting at 7:25 pm.

Francis and Randy discussed the repair of the old Town Hall ramp. Francis stated that he will ask Richard Borger to look at the ramp and discuss specifications. Selectmen discussed putting the labor portion of the job out to bid, and requested that the subject be on next week’s agenda.

Motion by Randy, seconded by Francis and approved to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine Stover

Minutes accepted by ______________________, ______________________, ______________________
TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN

Non- Public Minutes (1) of June 14, 2011 Meeting

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

Motioned by Randy, seconded by Francis and approved to go into a Non-Public meeting at 6:35 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. Selectmen discussed personnel issues. Motion by Randy, seconded by Steve and approved to come out of the Non-Public meeting at 6:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine Stover

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TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
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Non- Public Minutes (2) of June 14, 2011 Meeting

Present: Randy Morrison, Francis Muzzey and Catherine Stover
Also Present: A Welfare Applicant

Motioned by Randy, seconded by Francis and approved to go into a Non-Public meeting at 6:50 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. Selectmen discussed a welfare application. Motion by Randy, seconded by Steve and approved to come out of the Non-Public meeting at 7:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine Stover

Minutes accepted by ______________________ , ______________________ .
TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN

Minutes of Meeting June 21, 2011

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

Also Present: Chief Kevin Kay, Bobby Cass, Jim Ramsay, Laurie Coffin, Ellie Murray, Deb Vlk, Palmer Koelb, Norman Poitras and Chiachi Lee

Randy motioned to open the Meeting at 6:00 pm, seconded by Francis and approved.

Laurie Coffin from Noseworthy Realty discuss the abatement regarding Poitras M/L 11-01-12B. The Selectmen have granted the abatement. Laurie also discussed with the selectmen Mr. Poitras’ desire to have some of the land in current use.

Selectmen discussed the installation of a building surge protector, to be installed by NH Elec Co-Op. Motion by Steve to have the Co-Op install the surge protector, seconded by Randy and approved.

Francis noted that the Town has received an impact statement from US Department of Energy regarding the extension of the Scoping Period in regards to the Northern Pass.

Francis stated that Hazardous Waste Collections will be held on Sunday, August 28th at Littleton and Saturday, September 24 at the Plymouth Recycling Center from 9-12 pm.

Jim Ramsay from Liberty International spoke with the Board regarding truck specs for a 2012 International Plow Truck. He presented the Board with a proposal with a few different options of leases. He stated that the listed price would hold until end of July. Jim discussed the payment options of Annual in Advance or Arrears. The Selectmen discussed lease to purchase, 5 yrs. V. 7 yr lease and warranties.

A motion was made by Steve, seconded by Randy and approved to accept the proposal from International.

Bobby informed the Selectmen that there is a tree down at the Highway Garage; it came down on the salt roof during the last storm. There is no damage, but needs to be removed. Randy Morrison has offered to cut and remove the tree. Selectmen approved.

Selectmen approved the ad for the request for bid for the Highway sand and gravel to be placed in both the Record Enterprise and the North Country papers for 2 weeks.

Steve motioned at 7:50 pm, seconded by Randy and approved 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. Francis motioned, seconded by Randy to come out of the Non-public Meeting at 7:55 pm. Selectmen discussed a deeded property.
Selectmen asked Chief Kay if he might have anyone available that could paint the posts on the common which have been newly replaced. Chief Kay stated that he does have an individual that could do so for community service.

Francis motioned at 8:20 pm, seconded by Randy and approved 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. Francis motioned, seconded by Randy to come out of the Non-public Meeting at 8:55 pm. Selectmen discussed employee personnel issues.

The Selectmen reviewed and/or signed the following:

- Highway requisitions and/or Weekly Safety Inspection Reports
- Meeting Minutes of June 14, 2011
- vouchers
- Letter to Granite State Minerals, accepting quote for road salt
- Letter to Carol Cole regarding tree removal
- Abatement requests: Perkins M/L 04-08-22, Comstellar M/L 05-03-03, Sherwood M/L 05-03-20, NH Elec Co-Op Util -01-0, Rossi M/L 08-11-14, Havlack M/L 13-03-3A, Poitras M/L 11-01-12B
- Certificate of Completion from Dubois & King
- Septic Application for Daley, M/L 08-02-01

Randy motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:59 pm, seconded by Steve and approved.

Respectfully submitted,

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Catherine Stover

Minutes accepted by ____________________________, ____________________________, ____________________________
Minutes of Meeting June 28, 2011

Present: Steve Davis, Francis Muzzey, Catherine Stover & Deb Vlk
Also Present: Chief Kevin Kay, Palmer Koelb, Larry King, Carol Friedrich

Steve motioned to open the Meeting at 6:03 pm, seconded by Francis and approved.

Larry King thanked Board of Selectmen for the SLA letter.

Chief Kay said that the dog warrant is out and the animal control officer will be taking action in the next few weeks. Chief Kay said 90% were done last year-6 were not completed. Selectmen suggested that all should be worked and followed thru. If control officer does not complete, the police dept will finish.

Chief Kay mentioned that the unpainted posts on the common will be worked on in the next few weeks. Supplies needed – gallon of paint, paint brushes, stirrer and gloves will be purchased at Burning Bush and left in town office to be picked up.

Chief Kay mentioned that two appointed officers contracts expired next month - these are 2 yrs appointments. Left applications with Selectmen to sign for another 2 yrs.

Selectmen discussed dog ordinance according to RSA set forth with state and how penalty’s result.

Selectmen discussed RV’s that are registered out of state - can they be taxed. Selectmen do not have jurisdiction on this issue. Selectmen suggested individuals with concerns write to state representatives for modifications to law.

Selectmen discussed American Legion application for charitable exemption. Steve voted no action on request, Francis seconded at this time and to be brought up on Agenda at next week’s meeting.

Selectmen discussed Perkins abatement with acreage difference. A meeting with owner will be set up to resolve issue.

Selectmen discussed letter of approval from owner to remove trees on East Side Rd. Pass onto road agent to meet this request.

Selectmen discussed letter from property owner Marie Kauk. Pass onto road agent to meet this request.

Selectmen discussed dump certification for present employees that work at the transfer station. Our certification for Level 4 expired Nov 2010. Presently we are at Level 3. Steve made a motion to pay the $50 for application to do Level 4 training for our employees – 2nd by Francis.
Selectmen reviewed pictures of bridge over Martin’s Brook-Tatham Bridge on East Side Road in 2011. State report reviewed by selectmen. Pull out history on Tatham Bridge for review by BOS.

Steve motioned at 7:31 pm, seconded by Francis and approved 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. Francis motioned, seconded by Steve to come out of Non Public Meeting at 7:50 pm. Selectmen discussed welfare applicant.

The Selectmen reviewed and/or signed the following:

- Highway requisitions and/or Weekly Safety Inspection Reports
- Vouchers & payroll
- Septic Application for Case, M/L 02-04-05
- LUCT for Lamontagne M/L 12-03-14 & Hardy M/L 10-03-02
- Acreage re: abatement for Perkins, M/L 04/08/22.
- Attendance at legal hearing.
- Pictures of bridge over Martin’s Brook on East Side Rd – Tatham Bridge
- GE Capital Application for purchase of Hwy Dept.

Francis motioned to adjourn meeting at 7:56 pm, seconded by Steve and approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine Stover

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TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN

Non- Public Minutes (1) of June 28, 2011 Meeting

Present: Steve Davis, Francis Muzzey and Catherine Stover

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