Present: Randy Morrison, Francis Muzzey and Catherine Stover

Also Present: Chief Kevin Kay, Ellie Murray, Noel King, Rick and Angela Borger, Steve and Patti Welch, Maureen and Walter Rebele, Michael Ducharme, Betty Dube and Kenyon Karl (recording the meeting)

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

Selectmen reviewed and signed the following:
- Vendor payments and Payroll
- Meeting Minutes of March 26, 2013
- Current Use Application for Warbin
- Notice of Annual Inventory of Campgrounds
- Intent to Excavate, King
- Intent to Cut for Berti
- Intent to Cut for Downing
- A Veteran’s application

Selectmen discussed conditions of some of the town roads, including Rowentown Road. Paul Ducharme said he drove down Cross Road today and there is lots of mud, very difficult to get through.

Walter and Maureen Rebele of Pine Haven Campground was in attendance and discussed with the Selectmen the issue of property inventory forms and taxation of campers in their campground. He stated that he has spoken with Steve Hamilton of the DRA, and was told that the tax bills should go to the owners not him. Francis read an RSA 72:7, which speaks of the subject of taxation. Mr. Rebele said that Francis should talk with Steve Hamilton and this is a special situation, because they are not permanent structures. He stated that the RSA does not apply only to campgrounds. Mr. Rebel stated his concern that the Campground not be singled out, and his concern that all properties containing campers be also fairly assessed. Francis stated he would like to get more information. Walter said more than happy to give a list to the town, as well as mailing labels.

Rick and Angela Borger were in attendance and discussed the assessment of their above ground pool. They feel that the assessment has wrongly increased from $1,500 to $2,500. They discussed the size/measurements of the pool, the access deck to the pool. They would like Avitar to come and discuss.

Chief Kay told the Board that the cruiser is now making the noise again. He said as the weather gets warmer, he plans to take it back to Meredith Ford to have it looked at again. He also said it will soon be inspected. He stated that he will be ordering some office supplies. Also he told the Board that someone had placed a dog in the kennel here at the Town Offices. There was no identification. He does not know how long the dog had been left in the pen, but stated it was there sometime between Friday afternoon and Saturday morning. Animal control took to the dog to Enfield. Chief Kay said the pen will now be locked and they urge people to contact the dispatch to let them know when they are dropping off dog.

The office received a bid for the Town Hall outdoor/side ramp to be rebuilt. Selectmen discussed this job as well as several other Town jobs, such as a roof/cover for the C&D container at the Transfer Station, the attendant’s station and the Transfer Station, a ramp for the Zero Sort containers at the Transfer Station, and painting the old Town Hall. Selectmen discussed putting this out for bid and possibly opening them on the first Tuesday in May.
The Administrative Assistant asked if all the open jobs could be put out to bid in the same ad, separate bids, but run at the same time. Steve Welch also mentioned that he believes due to the age of the Town Hall, that some caution will need to be taken regarding the removal of the old paint possibly containing lead, and suggested that the contractor be licensed to do so.

Francis motioned to go into a Non-Public at 7:02 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. This exemption shall extend to 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 Randy and approved. Selectmen discussed abandoned vehicles within the town.

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

Selectmen directed the office to contact our legal firm.

Francis motioned to go into a Non-Public at 7:20 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. This exemption shall extend to 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 Randy and approved. Selectmen discussed election procedures. No decisions were made.

Randy motioned to come out of the Non-Public Meeting at 7:25 pm, seconded by Francis and approved.

Randy motioned to go into a Non-Public Meeting per RSA 91-A:3, II(b) at 7:30 pm, The hiring of any person as a public employee, seconded by Francis and approved. Selectmen discussed highway applicants.

Randy motioned to come out of the Non-Public Meeting at 7:55 pm, seconded by Francis and approved.

Selectmen stated that On Saturday, March 30, 2013, Steve Davis, Francis Muzzey and Randy Morrison met at the Highway garage and traveled to the following roads to check on conditions:

- North Dorchester Road
- Rowentown Road
- Frescoln Road (Red listed bridge)
- Cross Road
- Cheever Road

Selectmen approved 4 loads of stone from Latulippe Trucking for Rowentown and Cross Road. Selectmen also approved to get rid of old concrete culverts at the Highway Garage, as they no longer have any use for them, Per Paul Smith and Allen Mello. These were given to Noel King.

Francis motioned to adjourn the Selectmen’s Meeting at 8:05 pm, seconded by Randy and approved.

Respectfully submitted by Catherine Stover

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TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN

Non-Public Minutes (1) of April 02, 2013 Meeting

Present: Randy Morrison, Francis Muzzey, Catherine Stover
Also Present: Steve and Patti Welch

Non-Public Meeting (1)

Francis 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. This exemption shall extend to 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 at 7:02 pm seconded by Randy and approved. Selectmen discussed abandoned vehicles within the town.

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

Non- Public Minutes (2) of April 02, 2013 Meeting

Present: Randy Morrison, Francis Muzzey, Catherine Stover

Also Present: Steve Welch

Non-Public Meeting (2)

Francis 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. This exemption shall extend to 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 at 7:02 pm seconded by Randy and approved. Selectmen discussed election procedures. No decisions were made.

Randy motioned to come out of the Non-Public meeting at 7:25 pm, seconded by Francis and approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Catherine Stover

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Non- Public Minutes (2) of April 02, 2013 Meeting

Present: Randy Morrison, Francis Muzzey, Catherine Stover

Non-Public Meeting (3)

Randy motioned to go into a Non-Public Meeting per RSA 91-A:3, II(b) at 7:30 pm, The hiring of any person as a public employee, seconded by Francis and approved. Selectmen discussed highway applicants.

Randy motioned to come out of the Non-Public Meeting at 7:55 pm, seconded by Francis and approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Catherine Stover

Minutes accepted by

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

Also Present: Chief Kevin Kay, Ellie Murray, Richard Herlihy, Joshua Leiter, Cassandra Morrison, Palmer Koelb, and Kenyon Karl (recording the meeting)

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

Selectmen reviewed and signed the following:

- Vendor payments
- Meeting Minutes of April 2, 2013
- 2013 Racetrack license application
- Timber Tax Warrants for Morrill, Hutchins, Zaremba, Friedrich and an Intent to Cut for Friedrich
- Letter to Baker River Bible Church requesting more info regarding religious exemption application
- Abatement for Chrimes

Chief Kay gave a Police Department status update. He stated that they have ordered office supplies and the invoices will be coming in. He stated the cruiser is once again having transmission noises, he said they will take it to Meredith Ford for review. They are getting ready to put out new radar signs; and noted that the fence railing by the Village Cemetery is in need of repair. Steve said they are aware and will be fixing it. Chief Kay said work zone signs are going up on Rte 25, and some areas will have one lane road. Says he doesn’t believe that the Common or North Dorchester Roads are on the 10 year plan with NH DOT. Chief Kay asked about possibly reaching out to DOT and sending a letter on a regular basis of the issues. Steve stated they have spoken with Nancy Mayville on the same subject. Steve said we did talk to them about the bridge at the common and feels it will take a couple years. Steve stated he would be willing to draft a letter, and asked the Administrative Assistant to send him an email to remind him to do so. Also discussed was the pole which was moved by the Electric Company at the Historical Society; large ruts left in the grass.

The Board reviewed a 2013 application for license of operation from the Race Track. Francis asked if Chief Kay has any input regarding the Race Track. Chief Kay stated that it went relatively smooth last year, and he believes they are extending the race season this year by adding some additional races. He stated the track has a new promoter who is not from our area, and he believes they are doing lots of improvements. He also stated the race season runs from May 5th to October 2nd. Francis asked if he had any objection, to the application, and Chief Kay said no. Francis motioned to accept the application, seconded by Randy and approved. The Board signed the license and Francis stated that a copy of the minutes of this meeting be attached to the accepted application.

Francis motioned that the Board sign the notices to be sent to the campgrounds regarding taxing of property of one upon the land of another, seconded by Steve and approved. Francis stated that he understands that although they have notified the 3 campgrounds for which the letters are written, the others are on notice. Steve then withdrew his second of the motion to recues himself.

Richard Herlihy was in attendance and addressed the letter he received from the Selectmen regarding a pipe protruding by his property. Mr. Herlihy presented and reviewed with the Board maps and diagrams of measurements of where his property and the pipe is located. Mr. Herlihy stated that the pipe is not for drainage, it is a pipe in the ground holding up a stick to assist in determining the plow area. After reviewing the documents and discussing the situation, the Board stated they have no further issues, and find the complaint of the pipe in the right of way to be groundless. Steve motioned to get back to the complainant and let him know of the Board’s decision that they have reviewed the paperwork, and the pipe, although in the Town Right of Way, is not obstructing traffic, seconded by Randy and approved.
The Town Clerk/Tax Collector, George Morrill discussed appointing a Deputy for his office. He stated he has contacted Donna King and she is willing to do so. Francis motioned to accept George’s recommendation to appoint Donna King as deputy, seconded by Steve and approved. George also requested to have noted on record, the Board’s approval that he be allowed to accept pre-payments. Steve motioned to accept, seconded by Randy and approved. Next George discussed overpayments. George explained that an overpayment can occur when someone pays the amount due stated on the lien notice (which is calculated for no later than a date of 30 days), and the payment is received in his office prior to the stated date of 30 days. George stated that per the RSA, amounts ranging under $5.00 need not be reimbursed to the taxpayer. George also stated that he is currently checking on whether the Town can take Deed of a property if there is a Federal Lien placed.

Kevin Kay addressed the Board as a citizen. He has taken some personal time in locating a program offered by UNH which will do a survey of the Town roads. UNH will do an inventory of all the roads and a windshield survey. The survey will identify drainage, potholes, etc and do a cost analysis and compile the information into a top of the limit look at upgrade/repair, and a 10 year plan to establish how to fix the roads. Kevin wants the Board to take proactive approach to review vs. having a committee to do this. Francis discussed whether the information gathered might be useful to the Planning Board when doing subdivisions and the impacts of subdivisions on the roads. Francis said in the absence of a study, they don’t have solid data to go on, and this information might be useful to the Planning Board as well. Francis suggested making a decision by the end of April, and Randy agreed. Steve stated that he will look into the report this week.

Steve said that next year he will not be running for School Board or Selectmen upon his next re-election.

The Board reviewed renewal form for Health Officer of the Town. Francis motioned for Board to be the Health Officers, second by Steve and approved. The Board signed application.

Francis stated there will be a Hazardous Mitigation meeting held on May 9th.

The Board discussed Highway Department staffing. Randy stated that Al Mello is currently working full time during the week, and Paul Smith has returned to part time during the week. They have been maintaining the equipment. The Board discussed where the grader has been used, as well as using the York rake on Beech Hill Road.

Steve said going forward the Town needs to dig up some of the roads and put in underground drains.

Randy said last week they talked about having a public hearing to discuss Town employee benefits prior to placing an ad in the paper for the Road Agent. The Board discussed holding a public meeting on Saturday, April 13 at 10 am, to discuss Town employee benefits. Kenyon stated he will be on hand to record the meeting.

Randy motioned, to go into a Non-Public meeting at 7:15 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. The Board discussed an employee’s work hours. Randy motioned to come out of the Non-Public meeting at 8:04 pm, seconded by Francis and approved.

Francis motioned to adjourn the Selectmen’s Meeting at 8:05 pm, seconded by Randy and approved.

Respectfully submitted by Catherine Stover

Minutes accepted by
Working Meeting of Selectmen
April 13, 2013 at 10:00 AM
Town Office Meeting Room

In attendance:  S Davis. F Muzzey, R Morrison

Purpose:  To discuss possible changes in benefits to full time Town employees (35+ hrs per week.)

Called to Order:  10:00
Steve Davis read the available medical plans and costs from LGC.

Mr Dragon discussed policy differences between LGC and Broker provided insurances (basically, they cannot compete on price as BCBS has developed a high quality lower cost policy that is not available to ‘The Street’). Noyes has 7+ towns, including Campton, in their retirement system services.

Campton plan: Retirement is a Roth 401(k) – defined contribution for long service employees. Newer employees must use NHRS plan, which is also a defined contribution but must be 7% of pay for employees and a matching 8% for the Town. Mr. Dragon will supply competitive quotes before the next selectmen’s meeting.

Towns like Wentworth just now considering a retirement plan must do so through the NHRS per RSA. No Roth 401(k) options are available to Wentworth.

Public comments:

Richard Borger does not think that the Town employees deserve more employment benefits than they do now, and questioned why we were considering it.

K Kay supports looking into improving employee benefits.

N King does not want to spend more than has been approved, and warned that taxpayers are already on the edge of loosing their property because of high taxes. The Board agreed.

Currently retirement offered?  No

Motion by Francis Muzzey to NOT enter into the NH Retirement System. Seconded by Randy Morrison and voted against by Steve Davis
A second motion by Mr. Muzzey to get competitive quotes for insurance coverage’s was not seconded or voted on as it is not necessary to vote for this request. If the Board later decides to change policies, that will require a future public vote of the Board.

Pricilla Morrison objects to the short period of time the meeting notice had. Mr. Muzzey explained that this was a meeting to discuss any possible benefit changes before advertising for Road Agent candidates.

Francis Muzzey made a motion to adjourn, seconded and approved at 10:38

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

Also Present: Chief Kevin Kay, Ellie Murray, Derek Randall, Paul Ducharme, Palmer Koelb, and Kenyon Karl (recording the meeting)

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

Selectmen reviewed and/or signed the following:

- Payroll and Vendor payments
- Meeting Minutes of April 9, 2013 & April 13, 2013
- Evans Bridge Scope & Fee Contract, authorization to proceed & Notice of Award
- Intent to Cut for McKinnon, M/L 11-01-13 & Fauver M/L 04-03-06
- NH Elec Co-Op Petition for poles on Hooper Hill Road
- Request from Ammonoosuc Health & Mid State to release appropriations

Steve made a motion to authorize Randy to sign the Notice of Award regarding the Evans Road Bridge Rehabilitation to Alvin J. Coleman & Son, Inc., on behalf of the Board, seconded by Francis and approved.

Steve made a motion to authorize Randy to sign the Proposal for Engineering Services to provide construction administration for the Evans Road Bridge on behalf of the Board, seconded by Francis and approved.

Steve made a motion to send a letter to Boston First Responders in light of the recent bombing which occurred on Monday, April 15, 2013 in which 3 people were killed and many seriously injured. The motion was seconded by Francis and approved. Steve stated he will draft the letter for the Board’s signature.

Steve requested the Board address the Town projects/jobs at next week’s meeting.

Chief Kay gave a Police Department status. He stated that he and Keith Charpentier, principal of Wentworth Elementary School, met with Paul Hatch of the NH Dept of Safety and Gregg Champlin Natural Hazards/school planning specialist of DOS. They did a walkthrough of the school, and some small recommendations were made. DOS was impressed with what is in place at the school. Chief Kay stated they did discuss the generator, and there are funds available through emergency management state funding. Paul Hatch stated he was willing to help with the paperwork.

Chief Kay said the stabilizer bar in the Cruiser needs to be replaced. He was in cruiser on Beech Hill Road and there was a rattling noise, and the bar went out. Dave Brown Auto got it up and running next day.

Chief Kay said that Officer Brett Miller attending Fire Arms training next week in Concord. Francis asked if we are working with Rumney to share the Fire Arms instructor. Chief Kay said no, that Rumney already has a Fire Arms instructor.

Randy noted that the Board has received a Septic Design for John and Kathleen Reed, M/L 11-3-4. Steve made a motion that Randy sign and stamp the Septic Design on behalf of the Board, seconded by Francis and approved.

Steve motioned at 6:45 pm, to go into a Non-Public Meeting (1) 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. This exemption shall extend to 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. Motion seconded by Randy and approved. Selectmen discussed a resident’s property taxes. Randy motioned to come out of the Non-Public Meeting at 7:05 pm, seconded by Francis and approved. No decisions were made.

Randy motioned at 7:06 pm, to go into a Non-Public Meeting (2) 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. This exemption shall extend to 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. Motion seconded by Francis and approved. Selectmen discussed a resident’s property taxes. Randy motioned to come out of the Non-Public Meeting at 7:29 pm, motion seconded by Francis and approved. No decisions were made.

Randy motioned at 7:29 pm to go into a Non-Public Meeting (3) 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. This exemption shall extend to 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. Motion seconded by Francis and approved. Selectmen discussed a resident’s complaint regarding application of exemption/credit. Randy motioned to come out of the Non-Public Meeting at 7:34 pm, motion seconded by Francis and approved. No decisions were made.

Randy motioned at 7:34 pm to go into a Non-Public Meeting (4) 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, motion seconded by Francis and approved. Selectmen discussed a legal issue. Randy motioned to come out of the meeting at 7:40 pm, seconded by Steve and approved.

Randy motioned at 7:40 pm to go into a Non-Public Meeting (5) 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. This exemption shall extend to 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, motion seconded by Francis and approved. Selectmen discussed a waiver of fees. No decisions were made. Randy motioned to come out of the meeting at 7:45 pm, seconded by Francis and approved.

Randy motioned at 7:45 pm to go into a Non-Public Meeting (6) 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. Selectmen discussed an employee’s work hours. No decisions were made. Randy motioned to come out of the meeting at 7:50 pm, seconded by Francis and approved.

Francis motioned to adjourn the Selectmen’s Meeting at 7:53 pm, seconded by Randy and approved.

Respectfully submitted by Catherine Stover

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TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN

Non- Public Minutes (1) of April 16, 2013 Meeting

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

Steve motioned at 6:45 pm, to go into a Non-Public Meeting (1) 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. This exemption shall extend to 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. Motion seconded by Randy and approved.

Selectmen discussed a resident's property taxes.

Randy motioned to come out of the Non-Public Meeting at 7:05 pm, seconded by Francis and approved.

Selectmen agreed to accept payments, balance to be paid no later than July 30, 2013.

Respectfully submitted,
Catherine Stover

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Present: Randy Morrison, Francis Muzzey, Steve Davis and Catherine Stover
Also Present: Carol Friedrich and Eugene Garrett

Randy motioned at 7:06 pm, to go into a Non-Public Meeting (2) 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. This exemption shall extend to 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. Motion seconded by Francis and approved.

Selectmen discussed a resident's property taxes.

Randy motioned to come out of the Non-Public Meeting at 7:29 pm, motion seconded by Francis and approved. No decisions were made.

Respectfully submitted,
Catherine Stover

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TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN

Non-Public Minutes (3) of April 16, 2013 Meeting

Present: Randy Morrison, Francis Muzzey, and Catherine Stover

Randy motioned at 7:29 pm to go into a Non-Public Meeting (3) 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. This exemption shall extend to 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.non public. Motion seconded by Francis and approved.

Selectmen discussed a resident’s complaint regarding application of exemption/credit.

Randy motioned to come out of the Non-Public Meeting at 7:34 pm, motion seconded by Francis and approved. No decisions were made.

Respectfully submitted,
Catherine Stover

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TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN

Non- Public Minutes (4) of April 16, 2013 Meeting

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

Randy motioned at 7:34 pm to go into a Non-Public Meeting (4) 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, motion seconded by Francis and approved.

Selectmen discussed a legal issue.

Randy motioned to come out of the meeting at 7:40 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 (5) of April 16, 2013 Meeting

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

Randy motioned at 7:40 pm to go into a Non-Public Meeting (5) 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. This exemption shall extend to 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, motion seconded by Francis and approved.

Selectmen discussed a waiver of fees. No decisions were made.

Randy motioned to come out of the meeting at 7:45 pm, seconded by Francis and approved

Respectfully submitted,
Catherine Stover

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TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN

Non- Public Minutes (6) of April 16, 2013 Meeting

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

Randy motioned at 7:45 pm to go into a Non-Public Meeting (6) 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.

Selectmen discussed an employee’s work hours. No decisions were made.

Randy motioned to come out of the meeting at 7:50 pm, seconded by Francis and approved

Respectfully submitted,
Catherine Stover

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

Also Present: Chief Kevin Kay, Derek Randall, Palmer & Deb Koelb, Cynthia Campbell, Cassandra Morrison and Kenyon Karl (recording the meeting)

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

Selectmen reviewed and/or signed the following:
- Vendor payments
- Meeting Minutes of April 16, 2013
- Report of Excavation for King (none excavated)
- DOT letter notifying the Town of NH Rte 25 guardrail replacement of end units, later this summer.
- notice of abandoned vehicles
- disability exemption application
- Intent to Cut for Hutchins, M/L 10-04-09

Steve stated he has communicated with Aaron Patt, the Town Administrator of the Greenfield Board of Selectmen regarding the study in which the UNH, Technology Transfer Center, did for their town in 2011. Mr. Patt stated that although Greenfield did not use the information for any type of long range planning, they are looking into using the information as a baseline. Steve stated he will be in touch with him in the next couple of weeks and give the Board an update.

Francis stated that he has met with Sara Lakeman, of Solid Waste Management (NH Rural Community Assistance Partnership program). They met at the Transfer Station and discussed her work. She has done cost analysis for Warren’s Transfer Station, and has offered to do the same for Wentworth. Francis suggested she contact the office to get on the agenda. Sara has schedule to come to the Selectmen’s Meeting on April 30.

Selectmen discussed recycling; Francis asked who was in favor of pay as you go. Steve said he’s in favor of it, as many people do not recycle as they should. Kenyon said he is in favor, as this would encourage people to recycle. Steve said right now there is no incentive for people to recycle.

Steve said 7th and 8th grade class of Wentworth Elementary School picked up garbage on roads in town. Steve would like to write a letter and thank them.

Steve announced the Town Offices would be closed on Thursday, April 25.

The Board reviewed the town projects, and agreed to go ahead and put them out to bid.

Palmer asked about the ramp at the old Town Hall. Randy said it is too narrow. There was a brief discussion regarding the required width of the ramp.

Selectmen discussed the upcoming Evans Bridge Pre-Construction Meeting, which is schedule for May 2nd at 10 am at the Town offices. Randy stated he will be here. Steve made a motion, seconded by Francis and approved that whichever Board member attends, they may sign documents on behalf of the Board.
Kenyon asked the Board if the Town was still interested in having a pipe installed on East Side Road, between the Historical Society and the old Town Hall. Palmer agreed this would be good if there were piping, and stated that some years ago when the Historical Society put in a septic system, it was large enough to use for both buildings. Steve said that the Town should do so, and believes that the Town has money for it. Palmer said that the state should do it.

Selectmen discussed the purchasing of the new truck for the Highway Department. The quote calls for trading in our old truck, but Randy stated that we will need the old one while awaiting the new truck. Randy motioned to accept the bid from Meredith Ford, seconded by Francis and Steve and approved.

Chief Kay gave a Police Department status update. He stated that it is challenging to fill shifts. The snow tires need to come off of the cruiser, and the lift still has issues that will need to be addressed. Chief Kay stated that he put a Face Book notice about the dog licensing period coming up.

Francis stated that per the DOT, construction will be happening on Rte 25, as the guard rails are being redone.

Palmer informed the Board that Tom Lucas passed away recently.

Randy motioned to go into Non-Public meeting (1) 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. This exemption shall extend to 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 Francis and approved. Selectmen discussed and approved a request for welfare assistance. Randy motioned to come out of the Non-Public Meeting at 7:09 pm, seconded by Francis and approved.

Steve motioned to go into Non-Public Meeting (2) at 7:10 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. Selectmen discussed with an employee Non-Public Meeting protocol. Francis motioned to come out of the Meeting at 7:14 pm, seconded by Steve and approved.

Randy motioned to go into a Non-Public meeting (3) 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. This exemption shall extend to 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 Francis and approved. Selectmen discussed a property owners request to make payments on their taxes. The Board discussed and approved the request. Francis motioned to come out of the Non-Public meeting at 7:25 pm, seconded by Randy and approved.

Francis motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:26 pm, seconded by Randy 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 Meeting Minutes of April 23, 2013

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

Also Present: Welfare applicant

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Also Present: Richard Bragdon

Randy motioned to go into a Non-Public meeting (3) 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. This exemption shall extend to 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 Francis and approved.

Selectmen discussed a property owner’s request to make payments on their taxes. The Board discussed and approved the request.

Francis motioned to come out of the Non-Public meeting at 7:25 pm, seconded by Randy and approved.

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Present: Randy Morrison, Francis Muzzey and Catherine Stover

Also Present: Ellie Murray, Palmer Koelb, Noel King, Sarah Lakeman, Adam Grigarauskas, Bruce Welch, Walter and Maureen Rebele, Dan Noseworthy, and Kenyon Karl (recording the meeting)

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

Selectmen reviewed and/or signed the following:
- Vendor payments and Payroll
- Meeting Minutes of April 23, 2013
- Driveway permit application for Berry, M/L 04-02-42
- Notice of DES Approval for Septic for Reed, M/L 11-03-04
- Intent to Cut for Morrill, M/L 02-02-03
- Intent to Cut for Brown, M/L 13-05-08B
- Report of Cut for King, M/L 11-06-15&16
- Septic design for Jordan King, M/L 11-01-09

The Board discussed the purchase of a new truck. Randy motioned to approve it, seconded by Francis and approved.

Selectmen discussed a service quote from Nortrax to repair a Pinion Shaft on the Grader. Selectmen discussed and agreed to have Shawn Priva do the repair.

Randy stated that he will go to the Evans Bridge pre-construction Meeting which will be held at Town Offices on Thursday at 10:00 am. A follow up meeting will be held at the Evans Bridge site at about 11:15 am.

Sarah Lakeman, of Solid Waste Management (NH Rural Community Assistance Partnership program) was in attendance. Sarah discussed with the Board, that NH RCAP is a nonprofit corporation that works with municipalities in researching cost effectiveness in recycling. Their org can help with applications for grants. She stated she has been working with Warren for quite some time; they currently do pay as you throw. She discussed reducing tipping weights, bailers, options such as merging with other towns, town owned compactors and hauling ourselves. She offered to gather info and do an analysis for us.

Sarah asked if Adam was planning on attending the upcoming annual Northeast Recycling Conference which will be in June. Adam said he was aware of it, but there is a cost involved. Sarah stated she believes that you can be a volunteer, which may reduce the registration cost. The Board discussed authorizing Adam to go. The Administrative Assistant will look into registration costs.

The Board discussed with Mr. and Mrs. Rebel, the owners of Pine Haven Campground, their concerns related to the requirement of taxing seasonal campers. They discussed the impact on their business, the desire to have the Town send out the tax billings to the campers, the fact that they feel that they are possibly being singled out as a campground, and others in the town that have campers are possibly not being taxed. Mr. Rebel also stated that they will begin charging a deposit to campers to cover the 2nd property tax billing. The Rebel’s also asked the Board if by taxing the campers, are they then free to use the transfer station?
Randy requested to invite Jeanie Forrester to a Selectmen’s meeting, and asked the Rebel’s if they would be interested in a meeting with her to discuss the issue of taxing campers that are not owned by the owner of the land, also to discuss the potential repair/removal of the Town common Bridge.

Dan Noseworthy, who lives on Bullseye Curve Road, was in attendance and asked the Board for contact names to have a survey of his land done. The Board discussed the damage of Hurricane Irene and Randy said he walked the Town with Jeff Tenley of USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS). The Administrative Assistant will give Mr. Noseworthy contact information.

George Morrill addressed the Board and stated that unless payment is received, there are 3 properties that will go to deed tomorrow.

Randy motioned to go into a Non-Public Meeting at 8:05 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 the need to hire additional highway department help.

Randy motioned to come out of the Non-Public Meeting at 8:16 pm, seconded by Francis and approved.

Randy motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 pm seconded by Francis and approved.

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