Selectmen reviewed:

The requested “Right to Know” site plans and documentation on the Dollar General Development, by Bohler Engineering.

The Select Board began by saying that they don't believe the Town has any say in this matter that it is a private sale by a land owner. They opened the floor for discussion.

Glenn Campbell was thanked by The Board and asked to give a brief overview of what he has for information and knowledge of the project.

Glenn began his discussion that in 2002-2012 this area of Rt. 25A was a historical preservation. He also mentioned that he and many others have witnessed this area soon to be known as the Dollar General site to have taken on much water from the last two devastating FEMA storms. Glenn believes that after a close examination of the plans, the contractors will be raising the land approx. 6 inches, which he believes will cause a dam affect. DOT has proposed a bigger culvert in the area to measure 18" instead of the current 15" one there. He went on to say that a larger culvert, is for increased potential of more water. Glenn said that if the road (Rte. 25A) washes out, then a detour by means of Town roads, wear and tear traveling, will be at the expense of Town resident and their tax dollars. The abutters and Town Residents are wanting an independent water study done. Glenn said this has nothing to do with the request of the Select Board, it's his own perception. A letter will be drafted up by Glenn, approved by the Select Board and sent to the All-Terrain Bureau.

Mr. Francis Muzzey says he doesn't believe that they did a thorough enough study on the land by footage. He also thinks there should be a bond on the development in case it doesn't work out.

Mr. Glenn Campbell said the study could possibly cost the Town money.

Mr. Quentin Mack believes this land does not qualify as a State Floodplain or Wetland area. He mentioned that the Town needed simple regulations (such as a ZBA and the Selectmen disagreed and said the Town did not want this. Mr. Mack said it should be asked at Town Meeting. Mr. Muzzey said the Planning Board was against this.

Select Board Ray said he had spoken with NHMA Legal service and the Town legally cannot stop the process now with adopting zoning regulations at this time or it could possibly end in a lawsuit.
Ray said he had a conversation with the Town of Bristol’s Manager and they said nothing can be done to stop the Dollar General from happening. At best, they could possibly work with them and have an esthetic appearance done.

Select Board Chris read a letter of correspondence between Duane Brown and Kay Bailey. Ms. Kay Bailey said she responded to the letter to increase the size. Mr. Richard Bailey spoke about his concerns with the additional water and culvert size.

Mr. Glenn Campbell went on to mention he heard the basement (Pease/Blodgett homestead) always took on water, and Mr. Muzzey added not to forget the percolation process on the property.

After a quick inspection of the culverts in the area, by a couple residents, they observed the culvert under Rt. 25A, was clogged with debris.

Mr. Craig Pasco said that it was inexpensive land.

Mr. Quentin Mack asked Ray if He will relay and support this. Ray agreed to draft a letter up and see if an independent water study could be done. Chris said he was on the fence and going to remain neutral.

Mr. Francis Muzzey said that he recommends sending to various State Officials or organizations the same letter they are sending to request an independent study.

Mr. Richard Borger Jr., asked who owns the property. The reply was Russell and Katrina Blodgett, which is under agreement. Mr. Mike Santom asked, who was developing. The reply was Liscotti Development, located in Leominster, Massachusetts.

Mr. Noel King questioned, how many washouts if any, and if anyone knew how much waterfall was noted in past, and if there was any backups/standing water in the surrounding areas.

Ray asked who was the NHDOT contact, the reply was District 2 out of Enfield, NH. He also asked Glenn if he would be willing to help draft the letter asking for this water study. Glenn agreed and it will be drafted and done at the Voting Session on March 13, 2018.

Ray motioned to move to the Oath of Office for the Conservation Commission, seconded by Chris and approved at 6:45 pm.

Swearing in of Office for the Conservation Commissioners are as follows:

- Glenn Campbell – Chairman, 3 yr. term
- Sarah Brown – Commissioner, 3 yr. term
  (2 yrs remaining of 3 yr. previous appointment)
- Jacob Brendle – Commissioner, 2 yr. term
- Francis Muzzey – (soon to join after Town Meeting), 2 yr. term
  (Ellie Murray’s Commission will expire on March 17th, 2018)
- Richard Borger, Sr. – Commissioner, 1 yr. term
- Ricky Borger, Jr. – Commissioner, 1 yr. term
- Noel King – Commissioner, 1 yr. term

This concluded the Conservation Commissioners who were sworn into office at 7:10 pm.
Ms. Marni Kozak questioned The Board of Selectmen on the pole placement on East Side Rd. near the Friendship Bridge. The Board asked Kevin Gilbert, Road Agent to look into possibly having this pole removed. There is no power or lights attached at the time. Mr. Gilbert agreed to make a call to the New Hampshire Electric Co-op for clarification on the project and help the residents understand what is going on.

Ray motioned to come out of the public session and move into a Non-Public Session at 7:22 pm, seconded by Chris and approved.

**Non-Public Meeting #1**

At 7:22 pm, Ray 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, seconded by Chris and approved. The Select Board welcomed the new Transfer Station Attendant and briefly discussed the fill-in position. The Board agreed to pay for Basic Training Certification in April. The Attendant has more training that needs to be completed at this time. The Board also agreed on an hourly wage.

Ray motioned to come out of the Non-Public at 7:26 pm seconded by Chris and approved.

**Non-Public Meeting #2**

At 7:28 pm, Ray 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, seconded by Chris and approved. The Board discussed with the Admin. Assistant, an ongoing complaint and need for a Health Officer. The Town currently does not have an Appointed Health Officer and needs assistance with a Home Inspection, ASAP. The Admin. Assistant checked into options with NHDHHS and NHMA Legal. The State gave 3 names of local Health Officers in the area that might be willing to assist. The Admin. Assistant will follow up with The Town of Rumney. Ray motioned to come out of the Non-Public at 7:42 pm seconded by Chris and approved.

Ray motioned to return back to a Public Session at 7:44 pm, seconded by Chris and approved.

Mr. Craig Pasco spoke to the Select Board about a petition, that was agreed upon last year 2016. The Board requested that Mr. Pasco have a petition passed around Town, asking what the residents preferences were with the Riverside Park / Hamilton Field-Swim hole. Did they want the parks to be opened to Town residents ONLY vs opened to the general public? After an examination of the petitions and a brief discussion, Chris motioned to honor the Town’s petitioned request to make the Riverside Park and Hamilton Field/Swim hole for Residents Only, seconded by Ray and approved. Mr. Palmer Koelb was happy to hear this.

The Board listened to other comments on the possibilities of a Farmer’s Market in Town, and the cleaning out of the Old Town Hall. The Board recommended the Admin. Assistant to check with the Primex (Property Liability) Insurance Co. on the safety and risk management of doing so.

Ray motioned to come out of the public session and move into a Non-Public Session at 7:53 pm, seconded by Chris and approved.
Non-Public Meeting #3

At 7:54 pm, Ray 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, seconded by Chris and approved. The Select Board discussed a personnel issue with Kevin Gilbert, the Road Agent. Ray motioned to come out of the Non-Public at 7:56 pm seconded by Chris and approved.

Chris motioned to adjourn at 7:57 pm and seconded by Tracy and approved.

Respectfully Submitted by Arlene Patten

Minutes accepted by:

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