

**Wentworth Select Board  
Meeting Minutes  
February 18, 2020**

**Those present:** Palmer Koelb, Francis Muzzey, Paul Manson, Richard Borger, other residents

**Called to Order:** Francis Muzzey, Chair Person, called the meeting to order at 5:00pm.

Selectmen signed checks and reviewed minutes.

**F.Muzzey made a motion to accept the Select Board Meeting Minutes for Nov. 19, 2019, Dec. 3, 2019 and Dec.9, 2019. Seconded by P.Koelb. Both voted "yes" and motion carried.**

Richard Borger, Wayne DeCotis and Mr. Wyman reported that the Wentworth Church is interested in purchasing the land where the historical "Doll House" now stands. This land will be used for a new septic system for the church. Discussion about the ownership of the land, possibly moving the Doll House structure to Historical Society property or the town common or purchase by a resident. Suggested that O.Ahern do a title search to determine ownership. No decisions made at this time, and this matter will be put on the ongoing items list on future meeting agendas.

**F.Muzzey made a motion to accept and sign an intent to cut for Lee and Kathleen Dinner. Seconded by P.Koelb. Both voted "yes" and motion carried.**

**P.Koelb made a motion to accept and sign the Transfer Station Annual Facility Report for 2018. Seconded by F.Muzzey. Both voted "yes" and motion carried.**

Discussed two Veteran's Credit Applications that were presented for signature. No action taken at this time. Select Board will address again after Town Meeting as credit amount may change upon town approval of a warrant article. Due to the wording of the warrant article, residents currently receiving credit may be required to reapply for the credit if change is accepted.

Selectman O.Ahern joined the meeting at 5:55pm. (Due to a medical appointment in Manchester and heavy snow fall, he was not able to attend the meeting when it started.)

**F.Muzzey made a motion to accept and sign the Warren-Wentworth Ambulance Service Agreement. Seconded by P.Koelb. Three voted "yes" and motion carried.**

**F.Muzzey made a motion to accept and sign a septic design revision for Wade Reed. Seconded by P.Koelb Three voted "yes" and motion carried.**

**P.Koelb made a motion to approve payment to Paul Manson for 24 hours of unused sick time earned in 2019 in the amount of \$609.00 (six hundred nine dollars) in accordance with the Town's Personnel Policy. Seconded by O.Ahern. Three voted "yes" and motion carried.**

Paul Manson reported that he spent approximately \$4,000.00 on parts needed to get the International truck in running condition for the forecasted snow storm. Select Board reminded him that he needs to get prior approval from them before spending any amount over \$500. This may be done through a phone request.

Paul Manson reported that American Crane Company will be crossing the Ellsworth Hill Bridge with a 60K plus pound vehicle on Feb. 19, 2020 and a 125K plus pound vehicle sometime soon after that date to deliver components of a cell tower. He was concerned about the weight limits as they are not posted for the bridge. Jordan King informed that many logging trucks weighing approximately 100K pounds have crossed the bridge with no problem.

Paul Manson reported that he is having difficulty plowing and turning snow plow around in the vicinity of 68 Pond Brook Road due to vehicles parked on the sides of the road.

**At 6:43 pm, O.Ahern made a motion to enter into a non-public session pursuant to RSA91-A:3 II(c) Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person, other than a member of this board, unless such person requests an open meeting. This exemption shall extend to include 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 P.Koelb. F.Muzzey voted "yes", P.Koelb voted "yes", O.Ahern voted "yes". All three voted in the affirmative and motion carried.**

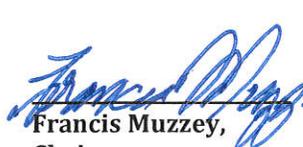
Re-entered public session at 6:50pm.

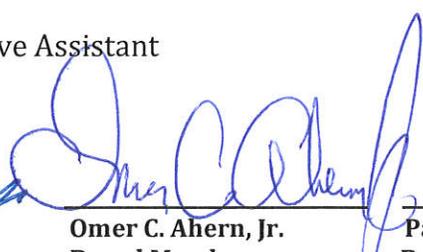
**O.Ahern made a motion to seal the minutes of the non-public meeting. Seconded by P.Koelb. Three voted "yes" and motion carried.**

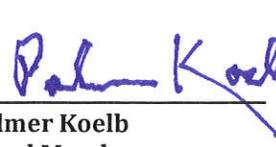
O.Ahern reported that he attended a seminar with the NH Municipal Association regarding moderating at town meetings as Steve Welch could not attend. He is requesting reimbursement of the \$65.00 registration fee. **P.Koelb made a motion to reimburse O.Ahern the \$65.00 (sixty-five dollars) fee for the seminar. Seconded by F.Muzzey. F.Muzzey and P.Koelb voted "yes", O.Ahern abstained. Motion carried with a vote of 2 to 0.**

**P.Koelb made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by O.Ahern. All voted yes and meeting was adjourned at 6:56pm.**

Respectfully submitted by:  
Linda Franz  
Interim Administrative Assistant

  
Francis Muzzey,  
Chairperson

  
Omer C. Ahern, Jr.  
Board Member

  
Palmer Koelb  
Board Member