

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES
June 9, 2014

PRESENT: SEAN P. MURPHY, CHAIRMAN; RICHARD H. HARTUNG, SELECTMAN; PRISCILLA R. LINDQUIST, SELECTMAN; SALLY THERIAULT, ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Visitors: J. Worthen, Chief Beaudoin, K. Emerson, Paul Wentworth, R. Birdsall and P. Williams (Tri Town News)

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm

Public Announcements

- Saturday, June 28th fireworks at Meetinghouse Park at dusk.
- Compost bins are now available at the Town Offices. The cost for each bin is \$50 each.
- Waste Oil, fluorescent light bulbs, car batteries and thermostats are collected at the Town Garage on the first and third Saturdays of the month 8 am to 1 pm. Books may be dropped off anytime.

Visitors Comment

There were none

Department Heads

Police Department- Chief Beaudoin

He noted that there was an accident recently in the area of Central Street and East Main Street that caused damage to one of the Town's signs. He will make sure that an accident report is sent over for an insurance claim.

New Business

Resignation- EMD

Sandra Koleque-Spalaris had submitted her resignation from her position of EMD effective immediately. Her resignation letter was read by Chairman Murphy.

Selectman Hartung motioned to accept the resignation with regret and thanked her for her years of service. Selectman Lindquist seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Culvert- James Drive

There was a letter submitted to the Selectmen regarding an issue with a couple of culverts on James Drive. Mr. Worthen mentioned that he had previously looked at the issue and went today with Selectman Hartung. He explained that the culverts run under the driveways and they are the homeowners' responsibility. The homeowner wants to correct the issue on his culvert and was asking for assistance from Mr. Worthen to make sure it is done correctly. Mr. Worthen explained that there are actually two culverts that need work and he was looking at a couple of options. The first would be talk with both homeowners so that they were both going to do the work. He could recommend a contractor to the two of them and would still be responsible for signing off on the permit. Another option is to do the work on both culverts and bill them back. The Selectmen said that it was a good idea to work with the homeowners. Mr. Worthen also noted that the area they are talking about doesn't have a lot of room and he is actually looking into finding supplies that might be shaped differently such as an oblong shape that would fit the driveway better. The Selectmen agreed that it would be safer for him to give a list of contractors that Mr. Worthen knows would do the work to the town standards. Mr. Worthen will do the spots in between the two culverts. Mr. Worthen will talk with the two homeowners and come back to the Selectmen at the next meeting.

Old Business

Liaison Reports

Chairman Murphy

Nothing to update

Selectman Lindquist

At the last meeting of the Historic Commission a Boy Scout was present to ask about an Eagle Scout project. He explained that he was interested in updating the signs around town (the welcome to the town signs) and would like to start with the first one and then leave the rest of the signs for future scouts. He needs to get approval from his council.

Selectman Hartung-

He attended the Eagle Scout Ceremony on June 1st, attended a meeting at Unitil for weather emergencies and on June 11th was attending the Annual Emergency Preparedness Conference.

AA Report:

Since the work session after the last meeting wasn't televised Mrs. Theriault wanted to recap what was discussed. She wanted to thank the BOS, Jon Worthen and Kris Emerson for being present. The reason that she felt it was important to have a work session is that the permit will be due 90 days after notice is provided by the EPA. So once we receive notice, time will not be on our side. As she mentioned during the worksession, she had met with the Sean Fitzgerald, Town Manager in Plaistow who expressed an interest in regionalizing our efforts. Mrs. Theriault and Mr. Fitzgerald also discussed the possibility that Rockingham Planning Commission might help in these efforts.

According to Sean, Plaistow undertakes annual water sampling of the outfalls, which is then tested by an outside company. The cost of which is between 8-12K per year. Subsequent to the worksession, Jon Worthen met with Mr. Garlington, Road Agent from Plaistow who showed him what the water testing entails.

Mrs. Theriault also contacted a representative from Rockingham Planning Commission, who indication they will provide technical support to the extent possible. However without the permit being finalized it is difficult to identify what support is needed the most.

In addition, she have left a message for the DPW Manager for the Town of Derry so that she might get a better understanding of how they are handling its stormwater management. Absent speaking with someone, she did look online and reviewed Derry's MS4 Annual Report. Right now they are spending \$70,000 per year on stormwater management. Also, since Derry has a Department of Public Works that department handles the lion's share of the work and responsibilities of the MS4. At one time Derry was meeting regularly with Southern NH Planning Commission and surrounding towns. She did hear back from Derry and spoke to them about what they are doing. They are attending meetings with their Planning Commission and suggested that someone from Hampstead should attend them. Mrs. Theriault asked for the Selectmen to decide who they would like to attend. Chairman Murphy asked if it was like a forum for best policies and was told yes. They asked to think about it.

Cost of running Public Hearing notices

Mrs. Theriault had an opportunity to analyze the cost of public notices and the timeframe for the ads to run. She has a sample of one ad that measures about 1 ½ by 1 ½ inches, it runs in a newspaper that has a large circulation and can run anywhere from 2-3 days after she send the notice out. This ad costs \$35.33. She had another example of an ad that is considerable larger

but the circulation is much smaller and it costs \$90 to run. One problem that arises is that it takes anywhere from 3-9 days to have the notice run in the smaller paper. Some departments have expressed a sense of urgency in running public notices and waiting up to nine days would not be satisfactory to those departments. Since not all departments have a legal ad line item in its budget that cost falls on the Selectmen's budget. Therefore she asked for the Board's input as to whether or not it wants her to continue advertising in the newspaper that has greater circulation, runs ads more frequently and appears to be cheaper or go with the smaller paper more local paper. The Selectmen also suggested an online classified company that runs through a paper like the Eagle Tribune called the "Classified Connection" that reaches a broad audience. He suggested that he would look into it. Mrs. Theriault was told to take an ad and sent it to each paper and get a cost estimate and lead time and bring it back to the Selectmen. It was suggested that RFP's should go to a more circulated paper but the public hearings could stay in a local paper.

Updates on energy

The Town continues to see a monthly savings since the Town entered into a contract with White Columns as the town's energy wholesale supplier. The savings are in excess of \$300 per month.

Activity Report

No changes to the current log.

Re- Appointments/Appointments

Emergency Management Director-There was a request from Dan Brickett to be appointed as the EMD. It was noted that he was the prior EMD and had the experience. Both Selectman Hartung and Selectman Lindquist were very happy that he stepped forward, but Chairman Murphy didn't know Mr. Brickett but offered to take the recommendation of the other two.

Selectman Hartung motioned to appoint Daniel W. Brickett to the position of Emergency Management Director. Selectman Lindquist seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. Selectman Hartung also noted that Chief Beaudoin and Chief Carrier had been made aware of the appointment request.

Call for Candidates:

- Ordway Park, full members and alternates – monthly meetings
- Recycling and Waste Disposal Committee – monthly meetings

Correspondence

Hampstead Middle School- The 2014 8th grade commencement will be held on June 18th at 6 pm and the three Selectmen are invited. They were told to RSVP by June 13th to the Middle School office.

Visitors Comments

There were none

Non-public Session

Selectman Hartung motioned to go into nonpublic session under RSA 91A:3 II (e) Litigation. Selectman Lindquist seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Selectman Lindquist, yes: Selectman Hartung, yes: Selectman Murphy, yes.

Present: Joe Lessard, Scott Marsh and Attorney Diane Gorrow

Selectman Hartung motioned to come out of nonpublic session under RSA 91A:3II (e) litigation at 8:20 pm. Selectman Lindquist seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Selectman Lindquist, yes: Selectman Hartung, yes: Selectman Murphy, yes

Selectman Lindquist made the motion to seal the minutes of the nonpublic session. Selectman Hartung seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Mr. Lessard and Mr. Marsh left at 8:20 pm

The Selectmen stayed in session with Town Counsel, Attorney Diane Gorrow on another matter until 8:37 pm

Selectman Lindquist made a motion to adjourn at 8:37 p.m. Selectman Hartung seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

A True Record.

Approved By:

Tina Harrington, Recording Secretary

Sean P. Murphy, Chairman

Richard H. Hartung, Selectman

Priscilla R. Lindquist, Selectman