

Board of Selectmen Minutes of Meeting

Meeting held upstairs in Town Hall

Monday – April 16, 2018

Attending: Town Manager Edward Samson
Selectmen David Stickney and Leo Enos. (Leon Rideout was absent)

Others: Don Williams, Alan Savage, Greg Cloutier, Lucy Wyman, Melissa Grella, Wendy Herson and members of the Airport Commission and Tara Giles.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 P.M., by Selectmen Leo Enos, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Appointments:

Wendy Herson representing the White Mountain Regional Airport spoke to the group regarding a Grant Funding request for the airport. The main reason for the grant was to be able to provide jet fuel at the airport for planes. She spoke at length of all the things that go on in the area that make the airport an important part of the North Country. The reason that they are coming to the Town of Lancaster to be the passport for the Northern Borders Grant is that Whitefield is already involved in a grant and they can't have another until that one is 75% complete. There was a lot of discussion regarding some of the things that have been happening at the airport to make it more efficient, there has been a change of people and things are being done that have not been done in the past.

A motion was made by David Stickney and seconded by Leo Enos to approve the application for the grant for the airport. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

Resident Lucy Wyman spoke to the Board regarding the issue of trees on Main St. She stated in that she didn't feel that the Town was interested in it and now with the new sidewalks being put in would be a good time to also plant some trees.

Town Manager Edward Samson stated that the trees on Main St. have a hard time surviving, the Main St. is a direct Route for 2 and 3. It was asked how the construction of the new sidewalks would impact the businesses. Mr. Samson stated that for awhile, but they will make every effort to make the whole project run as smoothly as possible so as to not interrupt anyone's business day. They will start as soon as the construction season can begin and hopefully be done in a couple of months. The weather will also play a part in the time that it takes to do it all.

It was asked why there there was no hearing on the Summer St. project and Mr. Samson stated that they didn't need one as the money for the project was not asked for, it is not the same type of process. It was asked if there were any provisions make for trees on Main St.. It was stated that the business people need to be more informed of what is going on so that they can plan.

It was asked about the Street Fair and were told that they could not shut of the Main St. this year due to the construction on Summer St. Parking while they sidewalk construction is going on will only really effect large trucks. It was also brought up about the water run off from the Bunker Hill parking lot behind Rymes and were told that it is being looked into.

Greg Cloutier asked if there could be a preconstruction meeting with the construction people. Mr. Samson stated that he understood their concerns and assured them that they will work with everyone so not to inconvenience anyone.

There was a lot of discussion as to the trees that are already on Main St. and what was to become of them. It was asked if the Town would have AJ Dupere come and give information as to

what could be done so to have trees on Main St. The comment was that other towns have lots of trees in the towns and it seems like all we do is take them down.

It was asked if there would be sidewalks done on Canel St. or in the cemetery and the answer was no.

Old Business:

To review and approve the minutes of the April 2, 2018 meeting.

A motion was made by Leo Enos and seconded by David Stickney to approve the minutes as written. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

Department Head Updates: None

Signing of various paperwork:

Intent to Cut: Lawrance Underhill	Did not take place.
Reed Road	
Georgia Southworth Garland Road Map R12 Lot 41	
Cut 46 acres of 46 By Greg Ainsworth	
Intent to Excavate: AB Aggregates Route 3 Map R01 Lot006	
Veterans Tax Credit: Douglas Smith McGary Hill – Qualifies.	
Timber Tax Warrant: John Accardi 148 Page Hill	\$ 135.62
Robert Kapp 126 Garland Road	1,286.33
AG Aggregates Route 3	1,142.78

The Selectmen signed the above paperwork.

New Business:

Information:

Notice of State of New Hampshire Board of Tax and Land Appeals – Information that was sent to them regarding tax billing pursuant to RSA 76:15-a.

Building Permit:

Donald Paquette 10 Pine Haven Road	Permit #18-004
Convert existing screen porch into 4 season room by installing walls & windows.	

Other Business:

There was some discussion as to who had authority at the cemetery in regards to hiring and firing in conjunction with their budget. Mr. Samson stated that in the past the cemetery was self sufficient but now that it comes to the town for monies, it is up to the Selectmen to made employment decisions.

Noting that there was nothing further to come before the meeting a motion was called for to adjourn.

A motion was made by David Stickney and seconded by Leo Enos to adjourn. A vote was taken and the meeting adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

Respectfully,

Approved:

Sandra E. Doolan – Clerk

**Board of Selectmen
Leon Rideout – Chairman**

Leo Enos

David Stickney