

## MINUTES

**SELECTMEN'S MEETING  
TOWN HALL**

**December 6, 2021  
6:30 PM**

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### **ATTENDEES:**

Shane Beattie, Selectman      Troy Merner, Selectman  
Town Manager, Benjamin Gaetjens-Oleson      Charity Baker      Michael Nadeau  
Department Heads      Members of the public      Phlume Media

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Selectman Shane Beattie.

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

### **DEPARTMENT HEAD UPDATES:**

**Water/Sewer Supervisor Timmy Bilodeau** reported the SCADA system is still being worked on. Looks like it will be next year before the work is complete.

**Highway Foreman Tim Brown** reported his department has been mostly plowing and sanding.

**Land Use Coordinator Robin Irving** reported the planning board has a light agenda this month. They closed out the Alan Savage file and the All Saints Church site plan file. The Dupuis case did not have a sufficient drawing so it was tabled until the next meeting.

The zoning meeting was cancelled last month and so far, there is nothing on the agenda for December.

She has been working on revamping the building permit application and is working with Brian Patnoe on adding a demolition section to the application. That way, demolition being disposed of at the transfer station can be tracked to make sure the appropriate inspections have been done before disposal (ex-asbestos). Along with that they are working on creating an origin and disposal form which will be completed whenever construction debris is disposed of at the transfer station.

**Transfer Station Supervisor Brian Patnoe** reported, he has not received market prices for December as of yet. He is expecting a small decrease. He has been reviewing the new DES regulations. He also mentioned he has another solid waste working group meeting Friday, December 10<sup>th</sup>.

Ben mentioned at the next board meeting they will have a public hearing regarding increasing disposal fees at the transfer station. The biggest pricing concern is on demolition. The town is losing \$10-15,000 a year. Shane asked Brian if he knew when the last increase was. Brian believes it may have been back in 1999 with demo increasing maybe once since then.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- Review and approval of the November 15, 2021 meeting minutes.

**Motion made by Troy and seconded by Shane to accept the November 15, 2021 meeting minutes. All in favor. Motion carried.**

- The board signed the Municipal Equalization Assessment Data Certificate
- Intent to Cut for Barbara Peaslee-Smith was signed. Tax Map R13, Lot 64. Lot Acreage – 30. Acres to be cut – 30.

- Intent to Cut for Sally Gaynor-Knecht was signed. Tax Map R03, Lots 001, 002, 017. Lots Acreage – 263. Acres to be cut – 100.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- Colonel Town Spending Committee submitted a recommendation to appoint Joe Hertel to fill the vacancy created by Emalie Colborn when she moved out of town.

Rob Christie asked why the board would consider filling the position now instead of waiting until the election, when they decided at the last meeting not to fill the vacancy on the budget committee until the election when the public could decide. There was concern that if someone is appointed now it may give them an unfair advantage at election time. Ben remembered, Leon mentioned at the last meeting, he felt it best to wait until election to fill the budget committee vacancy because we were right in the middle of the budget season and it would be hard to bring a new member up to speed. Ben stated he doesn’t recall discussion about there being an unfair advantage at election. Alan Savage mentioned in the past the board would ask the person expressing interest in being appointed come before the board so they knew who they were appointing. The board decided to hold off on the appointment until the next meeting and Ben will have Eli reach out to Mr. Hertel and request that he attend.

**INFORMATION:**

- WMRHS 2021-2022 Final Payment Schedule
- BTLA hearing notice regarding the C&I Investment Association 2019 appeal. Hearing to be held Tuesday, June 28, 2022 @ 9 a.m.
- Eversource Petition for License to Construct and Maintain Electric Lines Over and Across State Owned Land in Lancaster, New Hampshire.
- Building Permits –
  - John W. Weeks VFW Post 3041, off Main Street (vacant lot behind VFW facility at 259 Main Street) – construct a 42’x44’ pre-fab, unheated metal storage shed with no plumbing or electricity, having 8-10 windows, 2 overhead doors and one man-door, on 6” elevated concrete slab.
  - Robert Mekeel, 91 Mt. Prospect Road – construct 24’x48’ post frame on existing concrete slab intended to be used as an uninsulated barn.
- Sign Permit –
  - Jude Gesel d/b/a Evans Block Holdings LLC / Arrowsite Building Improvements, 52 Main Street, Tax Map P07, Lot 012

**Motion made by Troy and seconded by Shane to adjourn. All in favor. Motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted, Board of Selectmen Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Leon Rideout

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Shane Beattie

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Troy Merner