

# MINUTES *approved minutes*

**Board of Selectmen Meeting:** April 15, 2019 **Present:** Rob DeValk, Frank Emig, Jim Jennison, Earl Kathan, Glenn Elsesser, Scott Sanchas, Joel Eaton, John Noll, Conan Cook, Scott Aiken, Daryl Simino, Gary Baber, Steve Morris, Rodney Parrott, State Fire Marshall Director Paul Parisi and Tom Humphrey **Open meeting:** 7:00PM, FE. **Approve minutes:** BOS meetings April 1, Motion JJ/RD to approve, passed. **Sign bill manifest:** Motion RD/JJ to approve with additions, passed. **Sign payroll manifest:** Motion RD/JJ to approve, passed.

## **Recognition of Visitors/Public Input:**

1. Director Parisi described the certification process for Acworth Volunteer Fire and Rescue Company noting that his department has been certifying the Company since the 1990's; that the certification lapsed in 2015 and an audit revealed issues; that a 2019 audit showed those issues have been resolved and the Company is now certified through 6/30/2020. RD asked whether there was a movement to eliminate private units and PP responded there was no need to disband units in compliance. Discussion moved to the 2018 Town Meeting vote for AVFR to "seek Selectmen's guidance on ways to go about becoming a municipal department" and it was noted that subsequent to that vote AVFR explained in a Selectmen's meeting their members were not fully supportive of becoming a Town department and the matter was set aside. It was noted a study committee could be formed, however, after further review later in the meeting Selectmen agreed to wait for a formal proposal from the Company.
2. Chris Aiken described the roadside mowing program he has followed for the last 5 years and noted the east side of Town would need mowing this year. Daryl Simino described his plan for mowing Town maintained roads. Both provided hourly rates. Selectmen will review the proposals at their next meeting.
3. Rodney Parrott requested permission to scan the Common with a metal detector and noted he has done so in Walpole. Need to check with Walpole.

## **Highway Department Report:**

1. Work update/plan: EK noted time spent on equipment and shop maintenance.
2. 5500 Repair: Motion RD/FE to sign direction to pay for Primex to pay repair shop, passed.
3. Road Project RFPs: EK noted questions regarding grading. Need to look into previous RFP language.
4. Trench box: Motion RD/JJ to rent Town trench box to contractors working in Town, passed.
5. Luther Hill culvert: EK described failure of culvert at header. There was consensus that the problem needs to be resolved in a permanent fashion prior to the shimming planned for this year. EK also described flooding of adjacent field and it was noted this could be correctable simultaneous with the culvert repair.
6. Irving to spec replacing garage fuel tanks with larger.
7. EK requested BOS assist with boundary question on Grange Hall Road and with private road surface work on Heino Road.

## **Transfer Station Report:**

1. Operations normal.

**ConCom Report:** April 10 meeting noting forest expenses and request for alternate appointment. Motion FE/JJ to appoint Gregg Thibodeau as alternate, passed. **PB Report:** Next meeting April 22 with Joint Board Meeting.

## **Action items:**

1. Building permits: None.
2. Intents: Duggan Intent to Excavate, NH 123A: Motion JJ/RD to sign, passed. Avery Intent to Cut, Gove Road: Motion RD/JJ to sign, passed.
3. Compliance: Revisit April 29.
4. Assessing: 3 Current Use applications: Motion JJ/RD to sign, passed; 1 Veteran Credit: Motion JJ/RD to sign, passed; 1 Veteran Credit and Elder Exemption postponed for supporting docs.
5. Deputy Fire Warden nomination for Gary Baber: Motion FE/JJ to sign, passed.
6. Town Hall painting: Proceed as budgeted.

## **Other items:**

1. Nonpublic: Motion FE/RD to move to nonpublic per RSA 91-A:3.II b, passed: FE, RD, JJ, 8:35PM. Returned to public session 8:55PM.

**Meeting adjourned:** 9:00PM; Respectfully, Kathi Bradt.