



Selectmen Meeting 3/27/2018  
Approved Minutes

**Present:** Selectmen Louise Lavoie, Bernie O'Grady, Charles Moser; Kathy Wile, Brenda Wiley; joined by Chief Kevin Maxwell, Fire Chief Fred Greenwood, and members of the public.

**Called to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Louise at 7:30 PM.

**Approvals:**

- Noted that accounts payable and payroll manifests were signed.
- Minutes of 3/12/18 were reviewed. Charlie motioned, second from Bernie, to approve the minutes as written. Three votes to accept as written.
- Appointment papers were signed for 9 members of the newly established Energy Commission.
- There was a Veteran Credit application which had been approved by the assessor as qualifying. It was reviewed and signed by selectmen.
- There was an application for a solar exemption which was reviewed. It was found to have an incomplete worksheet, so it was to be referred back to the assessor/home owner as appropriate.
- There was a letter to Stephan Hamilton at DRA requesting that the year of the next DRA review assessment be moved to coincide with the next revaluation year, in order to minimize work and increase accuracy of values. This was approved and signed by the full select board.
- Contract with Brookline Ambulance was ready for signature. Brookline Selectmen had signed it the previous evening. Terms were reviewed by Chief Greenwood, amount invoiced matched the budgeted amount; contract was signed by all selectmen.
- TAN paperwork, requesting a line of credit for the Town, had been prepared by Brenda. Paperwork was reviewed, some places signed by chair only others by all three selectmen.
- NH DOH had requested appointment information for Health Inspector and Deputy Health Inspectors, both of whom had come through and signed off on their contact information. This was signed by all three selectmen.
- A Memo of Understanding from the NRPC electricity aggregate had been received, asking for commitment from the town for the next aggregate year.. Louise noted that the town has saved over \$2000 in the 2 years they have been a member, and the school has saved over \$19,000 in their 5 years with the aggregate. Louise motioned, second from Charlie, to have Bernie sign on behalf of the town, 3 votes for Bernie signing, which he did.
- A Timber Tax abatement had been submitted, and the amount to be abated established by the assessor. There had been an error in computing the timber value which was corrected. Abatement was signed by all selectmen.

## New Business:

- Chief Greenwood was present to discuss moving forward with work on the addition to the Fire station. First task would be to get the green building on cement foundation, then address changes to the back area of the main building. How would selectmen like him to proceed in terms of contracting the work. Charlie suggested coordinating with work being done for the new highway building. Bernie will share contractor information with Fred to add on the FD work when they are onsite for the HD building (groundwork, cement, electrical being the areas discussed).
- Roseanna Nadeau introduced herself to the board, and was asking for them to consider lowering and posting a speed limit of 25 mph for Pratt Pond Rd. Although there are only 2 houses on the road, it is highly used. She and others enjoy walking/running/walking pets on the road, and the speed of passing vehicles creates dust issues for much of the year, as well as increasing the cost of maintaining the road. She feels the speed limit is too high for the quality of the road, and that it would be a good candidate for both a change in the speed limit and sign posting.

Louise replied that before any changes could be made, they would need to consult with appropriate department heads; the PD reports that an average speed on that road is 20-25 mph as checked by PD radar. Charlie said he is sympathetic, but that the concerns presented are true for most of the dirt roads in town. Louise mentioned that the calcium chloride program, re-established last summer for treating dust, has been expanded for 2018 and so should be a helpful step in dealing with the dust issue. Roseanna felt that if the limit was reduced and posted, people would be reminded of the speed limit and slow down. She also asked about the change in speed limit to Mitchell Hill Rd, and it was explained that that had been made as a result of safety concerns for children that lived along the road. Louise said they (BOS) would consult with department heads and decide about a public hearing.
- Letter of resignation from Dee Mitchell had been submitted; she resigned from her position as Trustee of the Trust Fund when she was elected Treasurer. Charlie motioned to accept her resignation as Trustee, second from Bernie; 3 votes to accept her letter of resignation.
- There was a letter of request from Jon Bryan regarding a mutually owned lot, K-21/21-A. The Town owns a 95% interest, and he owns 5%, and is interested in getting the town's share as well. Charlie had done some research on the history of the parcel, and it was decided to seek input from the assessor, followed by a consult with the town attorney.
- Selectmen had also received an emailed letter of concern from Rob Doyle concerning a property on Townsend Rd, which he felt may be in violation of junkyard regulations. Areas of concern can be seen clearly from the road, so selectmen will drive by, make an observation and do a written follow-up to the concerns.
- Noted that Bernie O'Grady was appointed BOS Chair by consensus.
- Copies of contract details were passed from Bernie to Charlie to incorporate into contracts for HD building groundwork, with concrete contractor information to follow.
- Need for regularly scheduled meetings between BOS and Dept heads was discussed – plan to begin with the Road agent to review all the plans for upcoming season next Tuesday evening.

**Old Business:**

**Informational Items/Communication:**

Postcards from DRA to sample of town residents have been received and questioned. Decided to add this information to the town website by way of explanation and authorization.

**Public Forum:**

**Non-Public:**

Louise motioned to enter Non-public session by reason of RSA 91-A, II (b) and (c) to consider two matters. Second from Bernie, three votes to enter non-public session at 8:39 PM.

Returned to Public session at 9:04 PM. Louise motioned, second by Bernie, to seal the minutes due to potentially adversely affecting the reputation of a person other than a member of the board for one matter, and due to potentially rendering a proposed action ineffective for the other. Roll call vote to seal minutes was unanimous.

**Adjourned:** Louise motioned, second by Charlie, to adjourn the meeting. Three votes to adjourn at 9:47 PM.

Next regularly scheduled meeting will be Tuesday, April 10, 2018 at 7:30 at the Mann House. There will be a work meeting posted for Tuesday, April 3, 2018 at 7 PM at the Mann House.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Kathy Wile  
Administrative Assistant