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Selectmen's Non Public 5:30pm
Selectmen's Meeting 6:00pm
Town Office

Thursday, March 7, 2019

MINUTES

Present: Chairman Gray, Selectman Poirier, Farnum and Mason, Police Chief Littlefield, Asst Fire Chief Bowles, Norman Cloutier, TVA, Attorney Cargill, Conservation Commission members Beecher and O'Bryan, EDC Chairman Farley, Friends of the Town House L Cook and C Cook, Town Administrator McWhirter, videographer for Governmentoversite.com and several members of the public.

I. CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Gray called the meeting to order at 5:30pm.

II. NON PUBLIC PER RSA 91:A-II (a):

- Motion made by Selectman Farnum at 5:32pm to enter into non-public session under RSA 91-A: 3 II (a). Motion seconded by Selectman Mason and passed by roll call vote. Gray Y, Poirier Y, Farnum Y, Mason Y.
- Motion made by Selectman Mason to reopen the regular session at 5:58pm. The motion seconded by Selectman Poirier and passed unanimously.

Selectman Poirier made a motion to seal the minutes of the previous non-public sessions #1 & 2, as it would adversely affect a reputation. The motion was seconded by Selectman Mason and passed by roll call vote. Gray Y, Poirier, Farnum Y, Mason Y

III. APPOINTMENTS:

- Norman Cloutier of the Tamworth Village Association reported that because the capacity of the sewer system is less than 20,000 GPD it will be classified as a Publicly Owned Treatment Works (POTW). Also, because the system is approved for less than 20,000 GPD it is not subject to a Groundwater Discharge Permit and future connections will remain under the review of the Subsurface Systems Bureau of NH DES. The town will determine minimal lot size.
- Ned Beecher of the Conservation Commission presented a very informative slideshow regarding the Tamworth landfill, PFOA's and well testing.

IV. DEPARTMENTS & COMMITTEES:

- Highway
 - Road Agent Roberts reported things are going well and the crew has been busy pushing back snow banks. He will be posting the roads effective March 11,

2018. He also recognized and thanked Steve Gray for his years serving the community as Selectman.

- Fire
 - Asst Fire Chief Bowles stated that the gear has been tested and some repairs were necessary. He reported that the emergency generator at the school required approximately \$6, 000 worth of repair, more than is in the Emergency Management budget. The board agreed to take the cost of the generator repairs from the contingency fund.
- Police
 - Police Chief Littlefield submitted the statistics for February 2019. He inquired about the boards thoughts regarding the \$50,000 warrant article for a new police vehicle. The board stated he should look at all types of vehicles not just SUV's. Chief stated he is not looking for a performance vehicle, but a more versatile vehicle and a number of different models.
- EDC
 - Chairman Farley reported that the Forum on Age Friendly Tamworth has been schedule for March 28th from 5:30pm to 7:30pm at the town house. Wet Paint has been scheduled for the week of Apr29 thru May 5, 2019.
- Friends of the Town House
 - Friends of the Town House member Cook stated that the voting booths have been set up for elections on Tuesday and that Meals on Wheels have begun using the town house for their lunches.
- Administration
 - Administrator McWhirter stated the office will begin distributing accounts payable checks the day after the manifest has been signed. This should alleviate untimely payments and avoid service charges. Care Plus ambulance asked permission to provide blood pressure checks before town meeting. That question will be referred to the moderator. A meeting with DRA to discuss the upcoming revaluation is set for Tuesday, March 12. Selectmen Farnum and Mason will attend. HEB reported that the 3 wells serving Tamworth Mobile Home Park are located within 500ft downgradient from the closed landfill and must be tested. The recreation building and Marrone Day Care are upgradient; they do not have to be tested. HEB is recommending they be tested as a precaution.

Selectman Poirier made a motion to follow the recommendation of HEB to test the Marrone Daycare and Recreation wells. The motion was seconded by Selectman Mason and passed unanimously.

The board observed a moment of silence in light of the passing of John Ruckenbrod, the videographer from governmentoversite.com.

V. SELECTMEN'S UPDATES:

- Selectman Mason will attend the school funding meeting on March 11. She will also be attending training as health officer and Arsenic in the Water presentation.
- Selectman Farnum stated the next Municipal Building Committee will be April 4, 2019.
- Chairman Gray reported all the select board members attended Candidate's night and the school board meeting.

VI. SIGNATURE:

- Chairman Gray made a motion to approve and sign the Selectmen's minutes February 7, 2019, February 21, 2019 & February 25, 2019. The motion was seconded by Selectman Poirier and passed unanimously.
- Chairman Gray made a motion to approve and sign the Selectmen's non-public minutes (3) of February 21, 2019. The motion was seconded by Selectman Poirier and passed unanimously.
- Chairman Gray made a motion to approve and sign the accounts payable manifest for March 8, 2019 in the amount of \$323,201.72. The motion was seconded by Selectman Poirier and passed unanimously.
- Chairman Gray made a motion to approve and sign the payroll manifest dated March 14, 2019 in the amount of \$35,440.85. The motion was seconded by Selectman Poirier and passed unanimously.
- Chairman Gray made a motion to approve and sign the intent to cut for map 412-32. The motion was seconded by Selectman Poirier and passed (3-0-1).
- Chairman Gray made a motion to approve and sign the following items. The motion was seconded by Selectmen Poirier and passed unanimously.
 - Yield Tax Levy – map 407-67 & 215-37
 - Current Use Application – map 410-25
 - Veteran's credit for surviving spouse – map 215-050-001
 - Appointment for Deputy Treasurer

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT:

- Bruno Siniscalchi complimented the look of 2018 Annual Report.
- Ed Comeau complimented the response of the Police Department for an untimely death call.
- Chairman Gray stated that he has enjoyed his time as a Selectman and it has been a pleasure.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT: At 8:40pm, Selectman Poirier made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Chairman Gray and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Darlene McWhirter
Town Administrator

Approved by the Board of Selectmen

Steve G. Gray

Daniel J. Poirier

Aaron Ricker

William W. Farnum

Rebecca Mason

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