

Board of Selectmen
Meeting Minutes
September 15, 2020

Present: James C. Bailey III, Chairman; John P. Stohrer, Selectman; David J. Rogers, Selectman; Laura Buono, Town Administrator.

In Attendance: Dave Roarick, Joshua Gallant, Mary Morehouse Rogers

Chairman Bailey called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

1. **NONPUBLIC SESSION**

Chairman Bailey moved to go into nonpublic session at 6:01 p.m. under RSA 91A:3II (b) hiring. Motion was seconded by Selectman Stohrer. A roll call vote was taken. Chairman Bailey – yes; Selectman Stohrer – yes; Selectman Rogers - yes. Motion passed unanimously.

In attendance: Chairman Bailey, Selectman Stohrer, Selectman Rogers, Town Administrator Laura Buono, Chief David Roarick, Joshua Gallant.

Chief Roarick introduced the Board to Joshua Gallant who he would like to have hired to fill the fulltime position vacated by Mark Philibert. Mr. Gallant's qualifications and experience were reviewed and discussed.

Chairman Bailey moved to come out of nonpublic session at 6:06 p.m. Motion was seconded by Selectman Rogers. A roll call vote was taken. Chairman Bailey – yes; Selectman Stohrer – yes; Selectman Rogers - yes. Motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Bailey moved to hire Joshua Gallant as a fulltime officer with the police department. Motion was seconded by Selectman Stohrer. A vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

2. **OPEN SESSION**

There was not public comment.

3. **OTHER BUSINESS**

Union Negotiations – Ms. Buono said she needs one of the Board members to sit on the negotiation team for the Police and Employee Union negotiations. She said the meetings are typically during the workday to accommodate union representative's schedules. After a brief review of the Selectmen's availability, Chairman Bailey volunteered to serve as he had during the last negotiations.

Zoning Board of Adjustment – Ms. Buono brought forth Lucy Pivonka who has been recommended to be appointed to fill the three-year alternate position on the ZBA vacated by John Segedy. Chairman Bailey moved to appoint Lucy Pivonka as an alternate on the Zoning Board of Adjustment for a 3-year term. Motion was seconded by Selectman Rogers. Ms. Buono stated again that this is to fill the position vacated by John Segedy. A vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

Oil/Propane/Diesel Pricing – Ms. Buono presented the following prices for the 20/21 heating season:

- Ciardelli Fuel Company: Propane \$1.299 fixed; Oil \$1.599 fixed; Diesel Cost + \$0.20 (Currently \$1.699)
- Vaillancourt Fuels: Diesel \$1.889; Oil \$1.749
- Irving: Propane \$1.274 Fixed plus \$0.005/gal PERC (can change at anytime throughout the contract if the State advises); Oil \$1.581 Fixed plus Environmental \$0.01375 and LUST \$0.001/gal; Diesel Rack Price + \$0.16 (currently \$1.437) plus Environmental \$0.01625 and LUST \$0.001/gal
- Rymes: Oil \$1.749 (final price is not fixed until time of commitment); Diesel Cost + \$0.48

Ms. Buono said that although Irving is slightly lower on both the propane and oil pricing, there have been problems with running out of fuel over the last couple of years while using them. She said she would like the board to consider awarding the oil and propane contract for this heating season to Ciardelli Fuel but the diesel price is too low to justify not awarding it to Irving even with the service history. Chairman Bailey moved to award the 2020/2021 Oil and Propane contract to Ciardelli Fuel and the Diesel contract to Irving Oil. Motion was seconded by Selectman Rogers. A vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

ELVD Boat Ramp – Ms. Buono updated the Board on the ELVD Boat Ramp which was brought up to them by Brett Taber at their last meeting. She said that Mr. Taber met with Bill Goss and they discussed simply clearing some of the brush at the edge of the road on each side and putting some gravel in those areas instead of doing a large overhaul. Mr. Goss will also work on the culvert and the drainage as well.

Rex Gray Development – Ms. Buono said she spoke with Bill Goss with regard to taking over the road in Rex Gray's development and he said the only thing that needs to be done is for road and stop signs be put up. Ms. Buono told the Board that since the last meeting, an issue has come up with regard to two conservation deeds in the development that have not been recorded so those need to be resolved prior to the Selectmen voting to take the road over. Chairman Bailey said the 2nd phase of the development is also moving forward so Mr. Goss should be made aware of that. Ms. Buono suggested that the Board may want Mr. Gray to put up a bond to cover any damages to the road that may occur while the 2nd phase gets built.

Kemp Park – Selectman Rogers updated the Board on the Kemp Park Committee progress. He said there is a lot of enthusiasm on the Committee and they have discussed the plan that is currently in place for the park. They have talked about wanting to move the bandstand that is on the plan more toward the river when it's built and also about the structural integrity of the cider press building. It may have to be replaced entirely but they would like Mike Borden to take a look at it when he has time. Selectman Rogers also brought up the large trees on the hillside which still needs to be taken out. There was a brief discussion with regard to the moved ATV access to the trail in conjunction with the park.

Manahan Boat Ramp – Chairman Bailey said that he is working on an emergency permit to work on the end of the boat ramp at Manahan so that they can fix the washed out area at the end of the ramp. He said the same engineering firm that is working on the Boat Dock permit has filled out an expedited

form to be presented to the Conservation Commission and the Contoocook River Commission the week of the 22nd – 25th so that it can then be submitted to DES.

4. **MANIFEST MOTION**

Chairman Bailey moved to authorize the Selectmen to sign manifests and order the Treasurer to sign Payroll Check numbers 16079 - 16124 a/k/a Vouchers 36, 37 & 38 in the amount of \$256,481.00 (includes 190 direct deposit stubs) and Accounts Payable Check number 023683 – 023744 a/k/a Vouchers 28 & 29 in the amount of \$1,170,579.94. Motion was seconded by Selectman Stohrer. A vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

** A/P Checks include payment to HDSD in the amount of \$866,607.12

5. **CONSENT AGENDA**

Chairman Bailey moved to approve the Consent Agenda for September 15, 2020. Motion was seconded by Selectman Rogers. A vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

- Intents to Cut – Map 3 Lot 1 County Road; Map 11D Lot 268 Barden Hill Road; Map 5 Lot 118 Center Road.
- Veterans' Tax Credit – Map 7 Lot 160

6. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Chairman Bailey moved to approve the Meeting Minutes of August 25, 2020 as written. Motion was seconded by Selectman Rogers. A vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Bailey moved to approve the Work Session Meeting Minutes of September 1, 2020 as written. Motion was seconded by Selectman Stohrer. A vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

7. **NONPUBLIC SESSION**

Chairman Bailey moved to go into nonpublic session at 6:37 p.m. under RSA 91A:3II (c) reputation. Motion was seconded by Selectman Stohrer. A roll call vote was taken. Chairman Bailey – yes; Selectman Stohrer – yes; Selectman Rogers - yes. Motion passed unanimously.

In attendance: Chairman Bailey, Selectman Stohrer, Selectman Rogers, Town Administrator Laura Buono..

Ms. Buono discussed concerns she has with regard to an ongoing dispute between three parties and the roll they feel the Town should play.

Chairman Bailey moved to come out of nonpublic session at 7:15 p.m. Motion was seconded by Selectman Rogers. A roll call vote was taken. Chairman Bailey – yes; Selectman Stohrer – yes; Selectman Rogers - yes. Motion passed unanimously.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Bailey moved to adjourn at 7:42 p.m. Motion was seconded by Selectman Rogers. A vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

A true record.

Laura Buono
Town Administrator

Approved by:
Hillsborough Board of Selectmen

Date: _____

James C. Bailey III, Selectman

John P. Stohrer, Selectman

David J. Rogers, Selectman