

**TOWN OF NEW HAMPTON
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES
TOWN OFFICE, NEW HAMPTON, NH 03256**

Thursday, October 8, 2020

MEMBERS

Mr. Mertz, Mr. Drake and Mr. Shaw were present.

PRESENT:

OTHERS

Town Administrator Mr. Irvine

PRESENT:

CALL TO ORDER:

Mr. Mertz called the meeting of the Board to order at 6:00 p.m. and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES

Review of 9/24/20 and 10/1/20. Mr. Mertz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Drake to accept the minutes of 10/1/20 with the following amendment:

1. Strike the location of the Public Safety Building under Call to Order as it was a carry-over from the week prior.

Vote was unanimous.

WORK SESSION

Manifests, bills, requisitions, purchase orders and leave request forms.

The board approved the following purchase requisitions: Public Works (Piston repair 2013 Dump Truck, winter salt).

The board approved the following Building Permit(s):

1. Michael & Elizabeth Fleming – Map U13, Lot 31
2. Dorothy & David Cohen Trust – Map R4, Lot 22A
3. Meredith Brown & Thomas Beaulieu – Map R3, Lot 29A
4. Glen Smith – Map R17, Lot 1; extension request

APPOINTMENTS

Chief Lang was present.

6:30 pm

Fire Chief Lang

**NON PUBLIC
SESSION**

At 6:30 pm Mr. Mertz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Drake, to go into Non-Public Session, according to RSA 91A:3 II (b) Hiring.

Roll call was taken, Mr. Mertz –Y, Mr. Drake, Mr. Shaw – Y. Vote was unanimous.

PRESENT

Mr. Mertz, Mr. Drake, Mr. Shaw, Mr. Irvine and Deputy Lang.

**RETURN TO
PUBLIC SESSION**

At 6:43 pm, Mr. Mertz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shaw, to come out of Non-Public Session and seal the minutes for 5 years. Vote was unanimous.

Based on the discussion the Board accepted the recommendation of Chief Lang not to move forward with the application to join NHFD. Chief Lang was instructed to communicate the same to the applicant.

Chief Lang advised that the SAM account needs to be updated with his name, for grant purposes. There was discussion to assign the account to the Town Administrator.

DISCUSSION

- Mr. Mertz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shaw to appoint Chief Lang as Forest Fire Warden. The board signed the appointment.

- Board signed for new departmental credit cards for the new Police and Fire Chiefs.
- Mr. Mertz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Drake to authorize the Town Administrator to enter into a fuel oil & propane contract with Rymes Oil for 2020/21 season. Vote was unanimous.
- Grant Award of \$5,000 from Center for Tech and Civic Life for expenses at the polls during COVID. Mr. Mertz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shaw to authorize the Town Administrator to sign for the grant.
- Request for reimbursement for Tom Hegener for AEMT Training once he successfully completes the training, which is budgeted.
- Requests to use Fire Dept Training Room:
 1. Girl Scouts request use, including kitchen facilities, as their usual location can't be used due to COVID. There was discussion on how many people could occupy the space and maintain an appropriate distance. The board agreed to the use but will advise the leader to work with Chief Lang on the details and whether or not this will work for the department.
 2. New Hampton Historical Society meeting on 11/10. The board agreed to this use and asked that the organization work with Chief Lang on the details.
- Offer of settlement by MultiPlan on an EMS Billing Settlement; Mr. Shaw made a motion, seconded by Mr. Drake to decline the offer. Vote was unanimous.
- Planning Board Hearing Notice of proposed changes to zoning, which includes a draft amendment proposed by the Selectmen relative to building permit completion requirements. The board reviewed the draft amendment they proposed, deciding on an amendment at the public hearing to issue permits for up to 18 months, with a new permit required if the project isn't complete.
- fyi – NH Fire Standards & Training granted the CPAT waiver to Chief Lang.
- fyi – NHDRA approved the Emergency Expenditure for the Town House temporary repairs.
- fyi – County warrant at \$499,405.
- fyi – Tax Collector's Lien Redemptions
- fyi – LRPC Route 104 Traffic Count on Labor Day weekend.
- fyi – Thornton ZBA, Regional Impact, Hearing continuation on cell tower.
- fyi – 2021 funding request from CAP.
- Distribution of 2021 Budget folders and reminder of 2021 budget meetings on 10/14 & 10/19 @ 6pm.

OTHER BUSINESS

- Mr. Shaw asked if Mr. Irvine followed up with Mr. Rossi about the vehicles being offered for sale on the restaurant lot and Mr. Irvine advised he had and that Mr. Rossi would contact Price Auto to ask them to remove the vehicles.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was none.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Drake made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shaw, to adjourn at 7:48 pm. Vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,
Pamela Vose