

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

Thursday, August 6, 2020

MEMBERS

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

PRESENT:

OTHERS

Town Administrator Mr. Irvine

PRESENT:

CALL TO

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

ORDER:

WORK SESSION

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

The board approved the following Building Permit application(s):

1. Thomas & Gail Adams – Map U2, Lot 8

The board approved the following Occupancy Permit(s):

1. James & Jennifer Doig – Map R12, Lot 28A

APPOINTMENTS

6:20 pm

Timothy Doyle

Timothy Doyle and Sandreley Henderson were present. Mr. Doyle said he went to the school board meeting with the same concerns he brought to the board the last 2 weeks he was told that students would be going to school 5 days a week but the vote didn't change the fact it would be a modified schedule. Mr. Doyle asked for a copy/agreement which states what the school district would provide and Mr. Irvine said he would investigate.

6:30 pm

Police Administrator

Mike French

Mr. French was present. He said based on the recent death of George Floyd and the significant reactions he said Governor Sununu created a task force to address law enforcement accountability and transparency. A draft report out makes recommendations generally associated with law enforcement public safety. Mr. French said he's been looking into training based on these recommendations and is recommending officers take some online trainings offered by Primex that apply. He suggested having officers take them during work hours which allows for interruptions when calls come in, which works well with personnel scheduling. Mr. French said a minimum of 8 hours training is required annually to maintain certification, which will be increasing incrementally to 24 hours by 2024, which is in addition to the other trainings required each year. Mr. French was asked to provide those training hours which are always required and these additional hours so the board could see the plan going forward. Police Academy training for part-time certification will also be increasing.

**NON PUBLIC
SESSION**

At 6:50 pm Mr. Mertz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Drake, to go into Non-Public Session, according to RSA 91A:3 II (a) Personnel. Roll call was taken, Mr. Mertz –Y, Mr. Drake – Y, Mr. Shaw – Y. Vote was unanimous.

PRESENT

Mr. Mertz, Mr. Drake, Mr. Shaw, Mr. Irvine and Mr. French

**RETURN TO
PUBLIC SESSION**

At 7:03 pm, Mr. Mertz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Drake, to come out of Non-Public Session and seal the minutes for 5 years. Vote was unanimous.

DISCUSSION

- The board reviewed and signed the letter to be sent to Wayne & Jean Roswell

advising them that the board has denied their appeal for the timber tax.

- Board signed NH DMV Dealer Application for John Gilson (Borius LLC), Map U1, Lot 7&8, as it relates to previously approved home occupation for car restorations. The board noted that vehicles can be stored but not displayed. Mr. Mertz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Drake to approve the application. Vote was unanimous.
- Board reviewed NH DMV Dealer Application for New Hampton School - to perform vehicle inspections. Mr. Irvine said Mrs Duncan advised it would only be school vehicles. HELD for further information on location and precautions.
- Hawkers & Peddlers – Doug & Doreen Tehan (ice cream) for an additional 30 days. Mr. Mertz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shaw to approve. Vote was unanimous.
- Barbara Carroll, Tax Map R3, Lot 9C, request to waive interest based on the fact that they never received the tax bill, contacting the office as soon as they realized it, and paid in full. Interest came to \$32.00. Mr. Drake made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shaw to waive the interest. Vote was unanimous.
- FD disposal of old equipment that have no value; all hard drives removed. Mr. Mertz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Drake to dispose of equipment. Vote was unanimous.
- Mansfield Woods Way – Public Works Director Mr. Boucher has performed the final inspection of the road and is satisfied. Mr. Drake made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shaw to allow the release of the bond. Vote was unanimous.
- Discussion on date for Budget Submissions by departments, boards/commissions and regional organizations (Oct. 2nd) and scheduling work sessions for the 2021 budget.
- GOFERR submission #2 reimbursement received at \$8,440.84.
- Auction of 17A1 concluded with sale price of \$6,099.
- Town House foundation work to begin 8/8.
- 2021 Highway Block Grant anticipated to be \$103,747.71.
- Precinct water sample results at Town Office.
- ZBA decision on request for rehearing for a denial for Wendy Traynor on short-term rental. Request denied.
- Card from Straits Road resident commending Mr. Boucher.

**PUBLIC
COMMENT**

There was none.

**OTHER
BUSINESS**

- Mr. Drake said the AFG grant was awarded for rescue equipment so the board needs to vote to accept it. Mr. Mertz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shaw, to authorize Chief Drake to be the authorized contact for the grant. Vote was two-Yes and one-abstain (Chief Drake).
- Mr. Drake said Charlie Piper, Tax Map R18, Lot 43, relative to his home reconstruction after its loss in a spring fire, wanted building code advice and Mr. Drake referred to him state building codes.
- Mr. Shaw said recycling paper prices continue to increase. Mr. Irvine said the issue is with keeping it dry and finding transportation to deliver it.
- Mr. Irvine advised that paving at PSB is complete with striping to be done, per the ordinance.
- Mr. Irvine said he met with Mike Sharp and his engineer Kent Brown onsite and there was agreement that the access be developed as discussed during Planning Board meetings over the last several years.
- Mr. Irvine said 5 of the 6 Fire Chief applicants will be present for the interviews on 8/15. The 6th applicant requested a rescheduling as he has a prior commitment and is

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traveling from out of state, which the board agreed not to change.

ADJOURNMENT: Mr. Mertz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Drake, to adjourn at 8:03 pm. Vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,
Pamela Vose

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