

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

September 6, 2018

MEMBERS

Mr. Irvine, Mr. Denoncour and Mr. Mertz were present.

PRESENT:

Town Administrator Mrs. Lucas.

OTHERS

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CALL TO

Mr. Irvine called the meeting of the Board to order at 6:32 pm.

ORDER:

WORK SESSION

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

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

1. Tilton Realty Trust, Tax Map R11, Lot 17.43 A letter was included from surveyor that all pins have been set.

The board took no action on the following sign permits:

1. NH Smokehouse – BBQ Shak, Tax Map R-5, Lot 5 – HOLD for more information
2. Granite State Greenhouse and Nursery, Inc., Tax Map R-4, Lot 90A -HOLD

The Board approved a Veteran's Credit:

1. Richard Hunewell, Tax Map R15, Lot 13

APPOINTMENTS

*7:00 pm Swearing in
Ceremony for Police
Chief Timothy
Stevens*

The Board moved the meeting at 6:55pm to the upstairs meeting room for a formal swearing in ceremony for the new Chief of Police. In attendance were his wife – Kelly, his children, friends, members of neighboring police departments, New Hampton Police Department Sgt. Cunningham, Det. Tyrrell, Off. Marsh, Off. Michalski and AA Kirsten Marsh.

Town Clerk Regina Schofield sworn him in and he signed his appointment and the Conflict of Interest statement. Selectmen: Mr. Irvine, Mr. Denoncour and Mr. Mertz congratulated the new Chief. There was a loud and standing ovation for Chief Stevens.

DISCUSSION

At 7:16 pm the Board returned to the meeting room on the first floor.

The Board reviewed and discussed the following:

- Board members signed appointment for Timothy Stevens as Police Chief, signed by board. Probationary appointment until September 10, 2019.
- Reimbursement for mileage. It was unclear who is being reimbursed – Jim Boucher or one of the workers. The Board asked that this be clarified.
- Mr. Denoncour motioned and Mr. Mertz seconded to send the delinquent transport bill of \$1,240.93 to collections. Vote passed unanimously.
- Discussion – abatement of unpaid taxes on Twin Tamarack camper, Tax Map U9, Lot

5.123. The Board reviewed the pictures of the unit and agreed to approve an abatement of \$158.70. The forms will be prepared for signatures and Mr. Osuchowski will be advised.

- Discussion – Permitting Assistant’s meeting with Ed Batchelder, re: addition of dwelling unit. The Board reviewed Mr. Pollock’s summary reporting that Mr. Batchelder was advised that a second dwelling could not be placed on his lot at 99 Kelley Pond Road. A letter will be sent to Mr. Batchelder to document the conversation.
- Report of possible construction at Jellystone Campground’s apartment building. Contact will be made with Manager by Mr. Pollock.
- Email, dated 9/6, from Leslie Logel, requesting for extension to impending lien. The Board agreed to take it under advisement.
- Email, dated 9/5, from Deborah Clarke-Tivey, question whether building permit is required. The Board discussed the email and agreed a building permit was not needed but contact should be made with the Fire Department where the generator is propane and it must meet State code.
- Email, dated 9/4 from Kirsten Marsh, Chief Huckins’ gift. The Board agreed to support the use of stars, strips, badges and handcuffs in a shadow box for Police Chief Huckins for a gift. Mr. Irvine said that Chief Chase (Center Harbor) said this kind of retirement gift is very common. The Board agreed and authorized the equipment to be used. They also agreed that the shadow box should be paid for by the Police Association and not the town. Mr. Irvine said the town should honor Chief Huckins 23 yrs of service, but want to be a reasonable expense. It was agreed the engraving on the fire arm will be paid for by the town. Mr. Mertz suggested the town provide a gun security box (\$40) with the fire arm. The members all agreed. Mr. Mertz said the new Chief may be changing out the fire arms next year.
- Email, dated 9/4; re: MS-1 Extension approved, now due 11/2.
- Letter from CADY, 8/31; a thank you for the 2018 appropriation.
- Hwy Dept complaint form; re: grading of Straits Road. Complaint was forwarded to PWD. Mr. Irvine said he was out there today. He said it is very dry and found it to be in fine shape. Mr. Denoncour said he was out there last Friday and it was fine.
- Letter from Atlantic Broadband, 9/1; rate increase.
- David Drake; re: County Cottage signage. Mrs. Lucas advised that Mr. Drake was reporting a blowup item that is considered a sign and that they don’t have a permit. Mrs. Lucas advised contact will be made with the business owner Mr. Rudis.
- Mr. Irvine advised he was served by Sheriff’s Department a suit by NH Optical Systems on their assessment.

OTHER BUSINESS

- a) Mr. Denoncour asked that the public works department remove the dead opossum on Old Bristol Road.
- b) The Board reviewed the list of issues that is being considered for 2019-2020 proposed legislation that was developed by the Legislative Committee with NHMA. Mr. Irvine,

also a member of the committee, will deliver the Board's input on the issues to the committee on 9/14.

- c) The picture of Chief Huckins will be done for framing and hung up at the Police Department. Mr. Denoncour will have the picture done at Staples. The frame will be decided by the Police Department.
- d) Mrs. Lucas presented the NH Police Standards and Training Council Forms; Form A & Form L. The Chairman signed the forms. They will be mailed on Friday to NH PSTC.
- e) Mr. Mertz asked what the status of the new ambulance is and also if the damage to the new cruiser was paid for by Ossipee Mountain Electronics. He also asked about when road shoulder work would be done by NHDOT on Main Street? Mrs. Lucas said she understood the ambulance was still on target for the end of October. She said she did not know if OME had paid Irwin for the work done to the new cruiser that was necessary due to damage they did to wiring and the Chief should advise. She said she gave Jim Boucher the contact info of the project manager for NHDOT. Mr. Mertz expressed concern with the condition of the drainage at the end of Hatchery Road.

**PUBLIC
COMMENT**

None

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 8:57pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Lucas