

TOWN OF WILTON
SELECTMEN'S MINUTES

Date: September 14, 2015
Time: 6:30 P.M.
Place: Town Office
Present: Chairman Richard E. Swanson and Selectmen William F. Condra. Selectman Kermit R. Williams was absent. Recording Secretary Pamela Atwood.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 P.M. by Chairman Swanson.

Public Works Director Steve Elliott was first on the agenda to discuss the dog waste station item. He was asked by the Board to get pricing for the stations. They start at \$250 and go up to \$350. The ones that have the small hand bags would need to be refilled. Steve talked about a booklet put out by NH Department of Environmental Services (DES). He talked about some of the points made in the booklet. It is unknown who would take responsibility for supplying and emptying the station. Steve stated that Jeff Stone has taken the first step as outlined by the booklet by starting this discussion; he has defined the problem area, and possibly forming a committee would be the next step. Steve, speaking as DPW Director, disagrees with having responsibility for maintaining the stations. Maintaining the stations is costly, and he feels that by providing and maintaining dog waste station it is making all taxpayers pay for a handful of lazy people. There was further discussion about responsibility for maintaining dog waste stations, including steps the Town has already taken. They spoke about putting notices in with the Water and Sewer bills. Chief Hautanen noted that he had spoken to his officers alerting them of the issue and instructed the officers to educate the public when they saw the problem occurring. Chairman Swanson asked if there was money in the Parks and Recreation budget to cover the cost of the stations. Steve agreed there was.

Motion: Chairman Swanson moved to purchase one dog waste station and supplies for a test pilot and to do a public relations campaign to reinforce the issue. Selectman Condra seconded the motion. A discussion followed about how a public relations campaign might be implemented, with a decision made to ask the Town Clerk's office to insert a mailer in the upcoming Water & Sewer bills, as well as sending out a flyer to dog owners when they register their dogs. Police Chief Brent Hautanen suggested have a "pledge" at the Town Office counter. The motion was amended to state "purchase one dog waste station and supplies up to \$350." This was followed by a unanimous vote. Motion carries.

Public comment: Patsy Belt asked for a status on the bump-out near the Post Office. Allison Meltzer was also present for this discussion. Steve Elliott recalled when Selectman Steve McDonough was the point person for that project. He had procured the company to put in the stamped concrete in front of the Town Hall, but the bump out was not in the budget. Patsy explained what the Main Street Association was looking for so they could plant lilies in the back part so they would not get run over. In front of the short wall they would like to see stamped concrete to match what was in front of the Town Hall. Steve explained that snow gets stockpiled there in the winter. A discussion ensued. Steve Elliott said that the pavement underneath could always be taken out; his concern was with raised areas during the winter. Steve said that it is not a big deal to remove the pavement if that is what the Selectmen want and he could probably do it this year. Chairman Swanson supports the idea. The Board of Selectmen instructed Steve to proceed as discussed.

Next on the agenda was Chief of Police Brent Hautanen with updated ordinances. Brent explained the changes to the ordinances (16-19), which needed to be signed. One ordinance concerns the Prince Street

“no left turn”. The ordinance never got recorded so Brent is updating the ordinance, which is important now that the buses are using it. He explained the traffic backups during the first couple days of schools, so they have made some changes to make it work. The Board confirmed that they did not vote on a “no left turn” sign on Tremont Street. Jane will record them after Board of Selectmen have signed them.

Next on the agenda was Don Nourse, from the Fireman’s Relief Association to discuss a fundraiser. They are a nonprofit association which supports fire departments and their members or former members. The Association no longer does a Fireman’s Ball, but instead they canvas the town for donations. They would like to hold bingo fundraisers at the Fire Station. Don explained in more detail how the fundraiser would work and he asked for the Selectmen’s permission to use the Fire Station for this fundraiser before moving forward. Selectman Condra has seen fundraisers like this and supports it. Chairman Swanson liked that it would bring people to see the new station and suggested that refreshments be sold as a side fundraiser. This event could be held every quarter. Don said they would like to hold the first bingo fundraiser on October 24th, at 7 P.M. Chairman Swanson stated that the Association has the Board’s support.

Don Nourse also stated that the association owns a muster truck, a 1934 Ford, which is parked in the station now. He asked if the Town would be interested in owning this historical truck and maintaining it on the Town’s insurance policy. Don stated that the truck was at Frye’s Measure Mill for years. The Board of Selectmen instructed Pam to call the insurance company to find the impact of adding the vehicle to the existing policy.

Chairman Swanson called for a nonpublic session at 7:28 P.M. per RSA 91-A:3II(c). The motion was seconded with a unanimous vote taken.

The regular meeting was called to order at 7:55 P.M. Chairman Swanson moved to seal the minutes, seconded by Selectman Condra. Motion passed with vote: Swanson, Aye; Condra, Aye.

Chairman Swanson called for a nonpublic session at 7:55 P.M. per RSA 91-A:3II(c). The motion was seconded with a unanimous vote taken.

The regular meeting was called to order at 8:17 P.M. Chairman Swanson moved to seal the minutes, seconded by Selectman Condra. Motion passed with vote: Swanson, Aye; Condra, Aye.

Chairman Swanson called for a nonpublic session at 8:17 P.M. per RSA 91-A:3II(b). The motion was seconded with a unanimous vote taken.

The regular meeting was called to order at 8:44 P.M. Chairman Swanson moved to seal the minutes, seconded by Selectman Condra. Motion passed with vote: Swanson, Aye; Condra, Aye.

Ligh Tec Inc. submitted a revised proposal to repair the lighting in the Town Clerk’s office. It is part of the Town Hall warrant article project. They originally offered to make the corrections for \$1,051 but Chairman Swanson called them back saying the price was unacceptable because it wasn’t done right the first time. They then agreed to cut the cost in half. Selectman Condra is satisfied with that.

Motion: Selectman Condra moved to accept Ligh Tec’s proposal in the amount of \$476.93. Chairman Swanson seconded the motion, followed by a unanimous vote. Motion carries.

Ryan Polson was present representing Standard Power, a company that buys and sells electricity. The discussion covered the topic of the Energy Commission's conversation with the Roedel's regarding power from the dam. Ryan had been tasked with coming up with a business model to bring power back from the dam. He also proposed selling hydro power to the Town produced by someone at 8cents per KW. He presented some charts showing possible savings. Chairman Swanson's concern is that Eversource is about to give the Town over \$10k in rebates, and he would hate to alienate them right now. Selectman Condra agreed that the Town can look at it for a while longer, to see if looks like some savings. Chairman Swanson wouldn't mind thinking about it at a later time and Selectman Condra agreed. Chairman Swanson asked for a town wide estimate. Ryan stated he would get some additional information.

Next, the Board of Selectmen reviewed the Jasper Electrical proposal to do the electrical items requested by the Joint Loss Committee. The quote was for \$4,350. The Selectmen were ready to approve it except they didn't know if there was enough money left in Town Hall budget. After review, it appears there is enough left in the budget without making this part of the warrant article.

Motion: Selectman Condra made a motion to accept Jim Jasper's electrical work proposal for the Town Hall. Chairman Swanson seconded the motion, followed by a vote all in favor. Motion carries.

Next they discussed interest in the Town Administrator Committee they are in the process of setting up. To date they have interest from Cary Hughes, Carol Roberts, and Selectman Williams. They agreed to discuss the committee again at the next meeting.

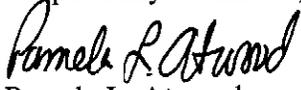
There was no old or new business.

The Accounts Payable manifests were signed.
Payroll for period ending 9/5/15 was approved.
Meeting minutes were signed.
The Primex premium holiday check request was signed.

The Selectmen would like to hear the Energy Committee's position on the pipeline on Monday the 28th. Selectman Condra said the Water Commission had raised an objection to having a staging area on Route 31, because they thought it was over an aquifer. They sent a letter to the Pipeline owners. The Pipeline owners have since abandoned that idea.

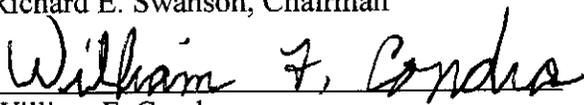
A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 P.M. by Selectman Condra, seconded by Chairman Swanson, followed by a vote with all in favor.

Respectfully submitted;


Pamela L. Atwood,
Recording Secretary


Richard E. Swanson, Chairman

Kermit R. Williams


William F. Condra

9-28-15
Date Signed