

TOWN OF WILTON
SELECTMEN'S MINUTES

Date: May 22, 2017
Time: 6:30 P.M.
Place: Town Office
Present: Selectwoman Kellie-Sue Boissonnault and Selectman Kermit R. Williams. Town Administrator Scott Butcher. Recording Secretary Pamela Atwood. Chairman William F. Condra was absent.

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 P.M. by Acting Chairperson Boissonnault.

Public Comment

Public Works Director Steve Elliott told the Board that the concrete work for the new scales was going to cost more than anticipated. He said there is money available in the revolving fund but he wanted to let the Board know. Selectman Williams noted that this item should be on the agenda and not as a public comment item. There was a discussion about putting the item off for two weeks, or as Selectwoman Boissonnault said, it could be part of Old/New Business.

Plowing

The first agenda item was Steve Elliott to discuss a plowing arrangement. Kimball Physics contacted Steve and suggested, that for a reduced price, they would plow King Brook Road, Kimball Hill Road and Heald Road in exchange for the Town plowing and removing the snow from the Wilton Falls building. Steve told the Select Board that there is already a verbal agreement in place where Kimball Physics plows these roads and bills the Town. Town Administrator Scott Butcher will contact Primex about this arrangement.

Ambulance Collection Agencies

TA Scott Butcher has surveyed local towns regarding their ambulance billing services. He has also spoken to some collection agencies. These agencies charge between 25 and 33% with a 20% recovery rate, and no charge for any accounts they do not collect on. He gave examples of what some other towns do, and he talked about Comstar. Scott said Temple & Lyndeborough are on board with being more aggressive for collections. He said the amount collected could pay for an EMT for one year. Selectman Williams suggested that the Town send out a collection letter. Scott voiced his concern regarding the HIPA law. His suggestion is to leave it to the people who do it for a living; we do not have the staff or expertise to handle this task. This item was tabled for more information or until Chairman Condra returns.

MS-4 Storm Water

NRPC representatives Sara Siskavich and Jennifer Czysz were present for the next discussion along with Dawn Tuomala of Monadnock Survey and DPW Director Steve Elliott.

Jen gave handouts and said NRPC is here to help with the MS-4. Wilton is one of the few new communities coming into the process, she said. She told the Board about the Storm Water Coalition meeting on June 8th which we be a facilitated conversation with UNH about the *Notice of Intent*. NRPC has met with other regional planning commissions in the area who have MS-4 towns. NRPC will be able to

pool the resources from other towns who have gone through the process. They will be able to use some of their federal highway money for this. TA Scott Butcher said we need to know the financial commitment plus the operating costs to maintain the MS-4. Dawn Tuomala said the EPA has put out a cost estimate. In Merrimack it will cost between 4-5 million, so it will easily be 1-2 million for Wilton, she said.

Steve Elliott asked about our recalculated population number. Dawn said it is very hard to get out of the MS-4 even if our population drops. She spoke about House Bill 121 and 342. TA Scott Butcher asked about NRPC's resources. Jen said 10,000-20,000 is to be set aside for the whole region. Sara Siskavich talked about the data collection models. She said "our data is your data, our shop is your shop". NRPC can provide some value. Jen and Sara will find out what state roads Wilton is responsible for. Dawn talked about what they are currently doing in Merrimack regarding the MS-4. Sara talked about GIS information and suggested that we decide where the departmentalized home will be for GIS. She said to scan paper records like old maps. Dawn has water and sewer plans that were done years ago that she will give them. Jen recommends the June 8th 10-noon meeting. The Board thanked the group.

Town Administrator Update

Scott told the Board that Ingram Construction starts tomorrow; initially they will be working out the logistics. The demolition may start on Wednesday. Selectman Williams asked about dumpster placement.

Both Selectwoman Boissonnault and Selectman Williams will be attending the ambulance dinner.

There was a discussion about the river walk park project.

Old/New Business

Steve Elliott spoke about the increase in the scales estimate. Increased cement cost have put the price up. Steve said there is enough money in the Recycling Revolving Fund to cover this increase. There was a discussion about the use of the scales; that three employees would get a weigh masters license; and there would be no increase in the number of employees needed at the Recycling Center. Selectman Williams would not vote on the increase without posting notice of it. Steve noted that there had already been a vote to install the scales; it had already been decided. Selectman Williams said an increase in the amount of money to be spent must be voted on.

Selectwoman Boissonnault asked Steve about staffing in his departments. Steve told her that he hired one new cemetery seasonal worker this week and he needs one more.

Selectman Williams asked Steve if Nancy Mayville had contacted him. She has not. Selectman Williams will go over to DOT and talk to her directly.


Selectwoman Boissonnault spoke about the joint meeting on Wednesday with the Sewer Commission. She said she would like to chair this meeting. She holds the senior position of the Board of Selectmen, and Selectman Williams is there as a Water Commissioner *and* as a Selectman. Selectman Williams answer to her was "there is lots you need to know that you don't know yet". He continued to say that Wednesday's meeting will be contentious. Selectwoman Boissonnault said that is how she'll learn. Selectman Williams said there was a "gentlemen's agreement" for election of a chairperson but there is no such agreement about the replacement of a chairperson. Selectwoman Boissonnault stated they were at an impasse then.

TA Scott Butcher told that he heard back from NHMA regarding chairing a meeting via phone; they said it would not be wise to do this.

Scott also informed the Select Board that Tom Schultz has resigned from the Public Safety Committee so Jim Cutler, who is Vice-chair, will fill in until they elect a new chairperson.

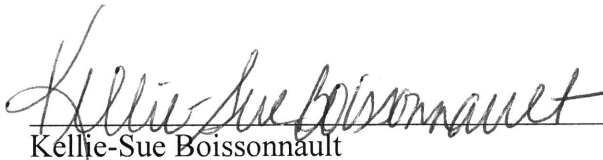
A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:57 P.M. by Selectman Williams, seconded by Selectwoman Boissonnault, followed by a vote with all in favor.

Respectfully submitted;


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Recording Secretary

William F. Condra, Chairman


Kermit R. Williams


Kellie-Sue Boissonnault

6/5/17

Date Signed