

Town of Washington  
Board of Selectmen  
MINUTES  
February 5, 2009

**1.0 ASSEMBLY**

**1.1** Meeting called to order at 7:00PM.

**1.2** Members: Guy Eaton, Rich Cook and Ken Eastman  
Visitors: Tom Tanner

**2.0 MINUTES**

Cook motioned that the Selectmen's minutes of January 29, 2009 be accepted as written. Eastman seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

**Important Dates -**

**February 7<sup>th</sup>** – Budget Hearing 2PM at Town Hall

**February 9<sup>th</sup>** – Trustees of the Trust Fund Meeting 10AM at Town Hall

**February 10<sup>th</sup>** – School Budget Hearing 6PM at Washington Elementary School

**February 11<sup>th</sup>** – Park and Rec 6PM at Town Hall

**February 14<sup>th</sup>** – Highland Lake Fishing Derby 7-3PM(sign-ups at Jeff Berry's house Friday night or Saturday at Man Town)

**February 17<sup>th</sup>** – Forestry Committee 4PM at the Town Hall

**February 18<sup>th</sup>** – Conservation Commission 7PM at Town Hall

**February 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>** – Washington Fire Department Fishing Derby at Camp Morgan Lodge (registrations at 5:00AM)

**February 22<sup>nd</sup>** – Snow Riders Groomer's Rodeo 10AM-2PM at Eccardt's Farm

**February 28<sup>th</sup>** – Meet the Candidates Night 7PM

**Did You Know?** That the Washington Public Works Department saved \$14,000.00 by installing the wing on the new grader in-house. They received a quote for the work of \$16,000.00. The parts and materials were purchased for \$2,000.00.

**3.0 BUILDING AND PARKING PERMITS**

**3.1** Thomas Tanner: TM# 07-034, 134 Washington Heights Road, proposed to construct a 12 x 20 outbuilding. Eaton had inspected and found that all of the setbacks were in accordance with the Land Use Ordinance. Cook motioned to approve the building permit. Eastman seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

**4.0 APPOINTMENTS DURING THE DAY AND PREVIOUSLY**

**4.1** Jo Ellen Wright phoned to request an application for the use of Camp Morgan Lodge for a morning walking group. The secretary forwarded the application. (See 9.2)

**4.2** John Pasioka dropped off an application for the use of Camp Morgan Lodge for a Forestry class and training session. (See 9.1)

**4.3** Ed Thayer requested the Selectmen authorize the use of Class VI rights-of-way for use by legally registered OHRV pursuant to RSA 215-A:6, 215-A:15. Thayer asked Chief Marshall his opinion of the request. Chief Marshall stated that he approved of the request. (See 9.4)

**4.4** John Hyland dropped notice of the Washington School Board Hearing. See important dates.

**4.5** Dennis Kelly dropped off the Fire Department lease for owner research. The secretary has researched and will forward the information to the Planning Board.

## **5.0**

### **DEPARTMENT HEAD AND EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENTS**

#### **5.1 Chief Marshall:**

**5.1.1.** Dropped off the police logs.

**5.1.2.** Advised that he would be speaking with Doug Graham, of DOT, regarding the speed on East Washington Road.

**5.1.3.** Advised that he had been contacted by the Windsor Selectmen regarding the possibility of having the Washington Police Department providing police service for their Town. He advised the Windsor Board of Selectmen to contact the Washington Board of Selectmen.

#### **5.2 Ed Thayer**

**5.2.1.** Advised the Selectmen that he had met with FEMA representatives on Wednesday regarding the recent ice storm. He provided the information from the Town of Washington.

#### **5.3 Arline France, Laurie Dube and Lynn Cook**

**5.3.1.** Requested that the building permit address the issue of a property owner that has land in current use provide a map with the application. The secretary addressed the concern and included it in the building permit application.

#### **5.4 Carolyn Russell:**

**5.4.1.** Discussed her welfare budget with the Selectmen

**5.4.2.** Discussed with the Selectmen her new proposed office in the Town Hall.

## **6.0 PUBLIC APPOINTMENTS**

**6.1** Thomas Tanner requested a building permit application. He was provided the permit and provided the application to the Selectmen. See 3.1.

## **7.0 COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED**

- 7.1 Notice from the Washington School District Public Budget Hearing scheduled for Tuesday, February 10, 2009. – Posted.
- 7.2 January 2009 Cheshire-Sullivan County Farm Service Agency. – Public reading file
- 7.3 Email from Dennis Kelly with his comments of the Town Meeting House Project. – Filed
- 7.4 Email from Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission E-Bulletin. – Filed
- 7.5 Email from Sullivan County Commissioners Office advising their January 2009 meeting minutes have been posted to their website. – Public reading file
- 7.6 Email from Carol Andrews forwarding the current use rates. – Public reading file
- 7.7 Coordinator Connection, Winter 2009. – Filed
- 7.8 A copy of the 2008 New Hampshire Economic Review. – Filed
- 7.9 A copy of the Legislative Bulletin, #5. – Public reading file
- 7.10 Agenda for the Sullivan County NH, Board of Commissioners for February 5, 2009. – Public reading file
- 7.11 Letter from the Town of Frankestown Board of Adjustment advising of a meeting to increase the height of an existing cell tower, - Filed
- 7.12 Email from K & J Dean Builders advising of their advising the Town of their contracting services. – Filed
- 7.13 Brochures from Ed Csenge & Son LLC advising the Town of their excavating services. – Filed
- 7.14 Letter from Sullivan County advising of community service projects available to the Town of Washington. – Forward to Chief Marshall
- 7.15 Letter from Public Service of New Hampshire requesting the Town’s comment on the NH Saves@Work/Small Business Energy Solutions Program. – Forward to the Energy Committee
- 7.16 Letter from the New Hampshire Arborists Association regarding the 2008 NH Arborists Association Community Beautification Awards Program. – Filed
- 7.17 Report from the Municipal Task Force. – Filed

**8.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- 8.1 Eastman reported that the Camp Morgan Lodge project is complete with the exception of the screening of the propane tank which will be done when weather permits. One of the windows in the bathroom needs to be replaced because a pane is broken. LaValley’s will be replacing the broken window.
- 8.2 Chief Marshall, Ken Eastman, Bob Fraser, Bev Rodeschin and Bob Odell will be meeting with Governor John Lynch on March 4<sup>th</sup> regarding the Town of Washington and it’s request for assistance on getting a cell phone tower in Town.
- 8.3 Bill Cole came in on the Selectmen’s request for an estimate for constructing a welfare office and increased security in Town Hall.
- 8.4 The Selectmen reviewed the budget and the warrant articles in preparation for the Budget Hearing.

**9.0 NEW BUSINESS**

**9.1** Eaton motioned to approve the application of John Pasioka for April 8, 2009 for the use of Camp Morgan Lodge. Cook seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

**9.2** Eaton motioned to approve the application of JoEllen Wright for a walking group to be held from February to April on Mondays/Wednesdays/Fridays at 10:00am. Cook seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

**9.3** Eastman updated the Selectmen on the Planning Board's meeting Tuesday evening. The Planning Board requested that a warrant article be included in the Town warrant for a Town Planning and Building Fund. This will be included in the Town Warrant. Eastman said that the Planning Board has filled out an application for a Planning Charrette for the Town. The Planning Board has requested a letter from the Selectmen's Office supporting the application. The Selectmen tabled the request of the Planning Board until after Town Meeting.

**9.4** Eaton motioned that pursuant to RSA 215-A: 6, 215-A: 15 that the Selectmen authorize legally registered OHRV's be allowed to use Class VI rights of way. Cook seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

## **10.0 DISBURSEMENTS APPROVED**

**10.1** The Board approved cheques for payroll of \$9,129.84 and vendors \$253,471.97 for the week of February 6, 2009.

## **11.0 ADJOURNMENT**

**11.1** There being no further business before the Board; Cook motioned for adjournment Eastman seconded the motion. All voted in favor. The meeting was adjourned 8:38PM

Respectfully,

Michelle Dagesse  
Secretary for the Board of Selectmen