

Town of Washington
Board of Selectmen
MINUTES
March 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: Ingrid Halverson, Chief Marshall

2.0 MINUTES

Eastman motioned that the Selectmen's minutes of February 26, 2009 be accepted as written with the correction to 6.1 that Eaton ask the attorney if the Selectmen could establish a "late fee" not a civil fine and 6.2 the decorative top of the weathervane is still being worked on. Cook seconded the motion.
All voted in favor.

Important Dates -

March 7th- School Meeting 2PM at the Washington Elementary School

March 9th – Park and Rec 6PM at Town Hall

March 10th – Town Meeting 9AM at Camp Morgan Lodge

March 18th – Conservation Commission 7PM at Town Hall

March 24th – Forestry Committee 4PM at Town Hall

Did You Know? That the Town Report is available at Town Hall and the Washington General Store.

3.0 BUILDING AND PARKING PERMITS

3.1 Robert Kelly: TM#16-012, 552 Highland Haven Road, provided a building permit application for a previously constructed 8 x 12 shed. Eaton to inspect next week.

4.0 APPOINTMENTS DURING THE DAY AND PREVIOUSLY

4.1 Alan Treadwell phoned to request an application for the use of Camp Morgan Lodge. The secretary advised him he could print the application off the Town's website.

4.2. Jim Gaskell provided the secretary with updates for the Selectmen's email distribution list. The secretary corrected the list.

4.3 Ron Jager along with the Selectmen prepared for Town Meeting by reviewing the warrant.

4.4 John Pasioka requested an application for the use of Camp Morgan Lodge. (See 9.1)

4.5 Steve Hanssen requested an application for the use of Town Hall (See 9.2)

- 4.6** Jed Schwartz spoke with the Selectmen regarding the town hall warrant article.
- 4.7** John Hyland picked up copies of Town Reports for School Meeting. Eastman provided Hyland a tour of the second floor.
- 4.8** Maureen Landry phoned to requested assistance from the Selectmen with a lien issue. She needed a copy of an old deed and a letter to be sent to a bank stating that there was no lien in her husband's name.
- 4.9** Bob Wright dropped off a work schedule for summer manning of the transfer station to eliminate Wednesdays. The Selectmen had discussed this option in the past and did not see a great benefit in eliminating the two part-time workers and have the full-time workers cover the shifts.

5.0 DEPARTMENT HEAD AND EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENTS

5.1. Chief Marshall:

- 5.1.1.** Provided the logs.
- 5.1.2.** Spoke with the Selectmen regarding a letter sent to a previous employee requesting equipment to be returned to the Department. The Selectmen will send another letter.
- 5.1.3.** Advised the Selectmen that the Police Department computer is starting to fail. He is looking at upgrading the printer as well.
- 5.1.4.** (See 8.1)

5.2 Ed Thayer:

- 5.2.1.** Advised that the limited weight roads have been posted.
- 5.2.2.** Spoke with the Selectmen regarding changes that needed to be made on warrant article #13 due to comments from the auditor.

5.3 Colleen Duggan:

- 5.3.1.** Asked the Selectmen on the protocol on making a motion at Town Meeting. Duggan will be taking minutes and would be making the motion for the Library Trustees. The Selectmen advised that this would be appropriate.

6.0 PUBLIC APPOINTMENTS

- 6.1** Ingrid Halverson asked the Selectmen questions regarding the requirements of a right-of-way to a landlocked parcel. Eaton advised that a right-of-way issue is between the property owners. Halverson asked about building requirements regarding replacing an existing log cabin. The Selectmen answered that the cabin could be replaced on the existing footprint.

7.0 COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

- 7.1** A copy of the Legislative Bulletin, #9. – Public reading file
- 7.2** A copy of The New Hampshire Civil Engineer. – Forward to Thayer
- 7.3** LGC 2009 Benefits Administrator Workshop. – Forward to Dagesse

- 7.4 A copy of a letter from Adam Kimball to DES regarding a season pipe dock application. – Filed
- 7.5 A copy of Matter of Trust. – Forward to Dagesse
- 7.6 Email from the Washington School Board forwarding their agenda for the March 7, 2009 meeting. – Public reading file
- 7.7 Letter from the State Department of Transportation Bureau of Planning and Community Assistance requesting information from municipalities for program and project communications with public officials. – Secretary to complete.
- 7.8 Letter from the US Census Bureau forwarding information regarding the 2010 census. – Filed
- 7.9 Email forwarded from Eastman regarding the meeting the house improvements. – Filed
- 7.10 Email from Councilor Shea forwarding Federal Stimulus Package information. – Filed
- 7.11 Email from Natalie Jurson regarding a letter from the Selectmen’s Office and the Town streetlights. – Filed
- 7.12 Information from Public Service of New Hampshire of Power and Emergencies Your Safety on the Line. – Filed
- 7.13 Letter from ICMA regarding premium Investor Credit to Expire. – Forward to Dagesse
- 7.14 Email from Jennifer Conley advising the Town of her Outdoor Movies availability. – Filed. Eastman thanked the Park and Recreation Commission for providing these types of outings in the past.
- 7.15 Letter from the New Hampshire Preservation Alliance requesting the Towns membership. – Filed
- 7.16 Approval for Construction from DES to Alan Reynolds TM#14-392 Coolidge Road.- Filed

8.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 8.1 Eastman, Chief Marshall, Bob Fraser, Bob Odell, Bev Rodeschin and Governor Lynch met this week regarding the request for a cell phone tower in town. Eastman reported that the hour long meeting was an excellent discussion. The Governor is now aware of the lack of cell phone coverage in this part of the State. Governor Lynch charged staff members with some work on the issue. Another meeting is expected within about a month.
- 8.2 Eaton spoke with the Town’s attorney regarding 6.1 of last week’s meeting. Eaton had informed the attorney the town’s practice of sending a letter to a property owner that is caught building without a permit. The attorney stated that the letter sent by the Selectmen’s office will need to give the property owner so many days to provide a permit, thereafter a fine up to \$1,000.00 could be levied and the Town would have to take the property owner to court. The attorney stated that we should continue with the current practice but to include a date of submission.

9.0 NEW BUSINESS

- 9.1 Eaton motioned to approve the application from John Pasieka for a Forestry Class on March 28, 2009. Cook seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

- 9.2** Eaton motioned to approve the application of Steve Hanssen for a post trail maintenance meeting for June 6, 2009. Cook seconded the motion. All voted in favor.
- 9.3** The Selectmen would like to congratulate the Students of the Month Heather Cavender, Halie Hurd and a 5th grade boy. A special thanks to the lunch sponsors Lincoln and Lollie Gilbert.

10.0 DISBURSEMENTS APPROVED

- 10.1** The Board approved cheques for payroll of \$5,968.39 and vendors \$3,401.28 for the week of March 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 8:31PM

Respectfully,

Michelle Dagesse
Secretary for the Board of Selectmen