

Town of Washington  
Board of Selectmen  
MINUTES  
June 4, 2009

**1.0 ASSEMBLY**

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

**1.2** Members: Guy Eaton and Rich Cook

Visitors: Don Damm, Patrick Dombrowski and Janice Philbrick

**2.0 MINUTES**

Cook motioned that the Selectmen's minutes of May 28, 2009 be accepted as written.

Eaton seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

**Important Dates -**

**June 8<sup>th</sup>** – Park and Recreation 6PM at Town Hall (rescheduled from June 9<sup>th</sup>)

**June 10<sup>th</sup>** – Fire Extinguisher Class for Town Employees 7PM at the Center Station

**June 17<sup>th</sup>** – Conservation Commission 7PM at Town Hall

**June 24<sup>th</sup>** – Joint Public Meeting between the Planning Board and Board of Adjustment 7PM at Town Hall

**June 24<sup>th</sup>** – Board of Adjustment 7:30PM at Town Hall

**June 29<sup>th</sup>** – Cemetery Committee 7:00PM at Town Hall

**June 29<sup>th</sup>** – Municipal Task Force 9:00AM at Town Hall

**July 25<sup>th</sup>** – Municipal Task Force Public Hearing 10:00AM at Town Hall

**Did You Know?**

The Farmers' Market has started again. Saturdays from 10-12PM on the Town Common until October.

That the low and moderate-income homeowners property tax relief forms are available at Town Hall. The form must be completed and postmarked no later than June 30, 2009.

**3.0 BUILDING AND PARKING PERMITS**

**3.1 Gregory and Georgette Gordon: TM#16-071-4, 1015 South Main Street,** proposed to construct a 30 x 40 garage/barn. Eaton had inspected and found that all of the setbacks were in accordance with the Land Use Ordinance. Eaton motioned to approve the permit. Cook seconded the motion. All voted in favor, permit #2332 was approved.

**3.2 Oliver Harvey: TM#22-026, 88 Halfmoon Pond Road,** proposed to replace an existing deck of the rear of the home and to construct an additional 6 x 10 deck. Eaton had inspected and found that all of the setbacks were in accordance with the Land Use Ordinance. Eaton motioned to approve the permit. Cook seconded the motion. All voted in favor, permit #2331 was approved.

- 3.3 **Louis Weintraub and Lake Ashuelot Estates: TM#14-064**, proposed to construct a 40 x 70 road equipment garage. Eaton had inspected and found that the wetland setbacks did not conform with the Land Use Ordinance. The permit was denied and forwarded to the Board of Adjustment.

#### 4.0 **APPOINTMENTS DURING THE DAY AND PREVIOUSLY**

4.1 Cathy Morin requested a copy of the 2000 Town of Washington Annual Report. The secretary forwarded a copy to Morin.

4.2 Tom Taylor requested monies to purchase copies of the Forestry Plan. Taylor said that he would like to have 5 copies made at the price of \$140.00. (See 9.1)

4.3 Allan Treadwell asked when the Executive Administrator was available at Town Hall. The administrator's office hours are Monday-Friday from 8:30-3:00. Treadwell advised that he felt his 911# was established incorrectly. Cook stated that the number could be re-established but there would be a fee. Treadwell stated that he would keep the current number. Treadwell asked about Twin Bridge Road and the name should read Twin Bridges Road. Cook and Treadwell discussed the status of Twin Bridge Road. Eaton said that Twin Bridge Road has always been a private road.

4.4 Eaton spoke with Audrey Rhoades who advised that she would like to volunteer as the Animal Control Officer. Eaton informed Chief Marshall.

4.5 Mark Cummings asked Cook about flood insurance and the National Flood Insurance maps. Cook advised that the maps were available at Town Hall and that the administrator could assist him.

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

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

5.1.1. Provided the logs.

##### **5.2 Ed Thayer:**

5.2.1. Requested the Selectmen's signature on the Household Hazardous Waste Day contract. The Selectmen signed the paperwork and the secretary returned the contract.

5.2.2. Advised that the contractor had completed the roadside and Town property clean-up projects. Invoices will be forwarded to the bookkeeper.

5.2.3. Advised that the Halfmoon Pond Road bridge project has been delayed. The contractor will advise Thayer of the start date a week prior in order to notify the citizens.

5.2.4. Advised that he is awaiting the shoreland permit for the Washington Drive culvert.

5.2.5. Advised that the Enoch Quimber barn be secured so the structure would not fall into the road.

**5.3 Carolyn Russell:**

5.3.1. Discussed a welfare issue with the Selectmen.

**6.0**

**PUBLIC APPOINTMENTS**

- 6.1 Don Damm and Patrick Dombrowski spoke with the Selectmen regarding (3.3). The Selectmen were provided a plan and a proposed driveway. The plan would need to go before the Board of Adjustment for a 10-foot wetland variance request. Damm asked the Selectmen if the plan could go to the Board of Adjustment without getting a building permit denied. Eaton said no. Damm asked about the building permit process stating that the building would not be complete within five years. Eaton said that the construction should begin within the first and then an extension could be applied for. Damm said that we can pour the slab in after the logger has completed his work and within the next 3-4 years to complete the building. Eaton said that he understands the conditional reason for the building permit application to make sure that a variance could be acquired. Eaton said that if a variance was approved it would stay with the lot. Damm said that the association cannot take out loans and would need to raise monies to complete the job. Eaton said that there would be a need for an E-911#. Damm was provided an application. Eaton suggested that a solution was to let the permit lapse and reapply.
- 6.2 Don Damm said that one of the warrant articles on the agenda for the Annual APDVD Meeting is to disband the APDVD. Damm asked what happens to the dam if the APDVD is disbanded would the Town take control of the dam. Dam said that Lake Ashuelot Estate had given ownership to APDVD. Eaton said that he would have to research the RSA's. Damm said that this information might be a benefit for the people at the meeting. Eaton said that there was previous research done on this subject when Tom Taylor was a Selectmen and he believed that the control would go back to the Town.
- 6.3 Janice Philbrick advised the Selectmen that she had contacted the bank regarding the property owner that the Selectmen had given time to take care of taxes a month ago. The property owner was in the process of foreclosure. Philbrick said that the bank had paid the taxes that were owed.

**7.0 COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED**

- 7.1 A copy of a letter from the Washington Police Department to Mr. Dale Johnson thanking him for the travel trailer donation. The Police Department will use the trailer at the training range.
- 7.2 Form from LGC to order the Knowing the Territory. – Filed
- 7.3 Invitation to the 2009 Annual Meeting for the Granite Chapter & NH Regional Office American Red Cross. – Filed
- 7.3 Email from the Sullivan County Delegation Executive Finance Committee advising of a meeting scheduled for Friday, June 12, 2009 @ 8:30AM. – Public reading file
- 7.4 Municipal Task Force Minutes from May 26, 2009. – Public reading file
- 7.5 Clean Air Cool Planet regarding sending a representative to the NH Local Energy Solutions Conference June 20<sup>th</sup>. – Forward to the Energy Committee
- 7.6 Registration reminder for the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Emergency Preparedness Conference scheduled for June 23, 2009. - Forward to Thayer and Berry
- 7.7 Agenda for the Sullivan County NH, Board of Commissioners Agenda. – Public reading file
- 7.8 A copy of the Legislative Bulletin, #22. – Public reading file
- 7.9 A copy of the Community TV Monitor. – Public reading file
- 7.10 Invitation to tour the New London Hospital facility. – Filed
- 7.11 Email from Rawson Jenkins forwarding a public thank you to John Walton for the great job he is doing on the cemetery lawns. – Filed
- 7.12 Public Notice from the Town of Greenfield, NH advising of a cell phone tower. – Public reading file
- 7.13 Email from Dennis Kelly regarding Selectmen’s concerns on the status of the Municipal Task Force. – Filed
- 7.14 A citizen’s road signage request form from Charley Eastman. – Forward to the Sign Committee
- 7.15 Application for the use of Camp Morgan Lodge from the Hillsboro Deering Middle School for a lunch and kite flying trip. – Secretary to contact.
- 7.16 A copy of a letter from DES to Washington Lake Association regarding their dredge and fill application to work on the boat ramp does not comply with RSA482-A. The application has been denied. – Filed

**8.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- 8.1 The Selectmen opened the “Fuel Bid”. The Selectmen accepted the bid from Vaillancourt Fuels for the #2 oil and diesel fuel and will negotiate with the propane supplier.

**9.0 NEW BUSINESS**

- 9.1 Cook motioned to approve the request for \$140.00 to purchase copies Forestry maps. Eaton seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

**10.0 DISBURSEMENTS APPROVED**

**10.1** The Board approved cheques for payroll of \$5,816.53 and vendors \$35502.24 for the week of June 5, 2009.

**11.0 ADJOURNMENT**

**11.1** There being no further business before the Board; Cook motioned for adjournment. Eaton seconded the motion. All voted in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:49PM

Respectfully,

Michelle Dagesse  
Secretary for the Board of Selectmen