

Town of Washington
Board of Selectmen
MINUTES
June 18, 2009

1.0 ASSEMBLY

1.1 Meeting called to order at 7:00PM.

1.2 Members: Guy Eaton, Rich Cook and Ken Eastman
Visitors: Bill Cole, Phil Barker and Dan Deuse

2.0 MINUTES

Cook motioned that the Selectmen's minutes of June 11, 2009 be accepted as written. Eastman seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Important Dates -

June 24th – Joint Public Meeting between the Planning Board and Board of Adjustment 7PM at Town Hall

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June 27th – Pam Slack a representative of Senator Jeanne Shaheen's office will be at Town Hall from 10:30-12:00PM to hear from constituents

June 29th – Cemetery Committee 7:00PM at Town Hall

June 29th – Municipal Task Force 9:00AM at Town Hall

June 30th- Supervisor's of the Checklist Session 7-8PM at Town Hall (for corrections/additions for the Ashuelot Pond Dam Village District Meeting)

July 1st – The Selectmen, Future of the Town Hall Committee and Mr. Monahon will be meeting 3:00PM at Town Hall

July 1st – Summer Camp Registration 7-8PM at Camp Morgan Lodge

July 7th – Planning Board 7:00PM at Town Hall

July 8th – Park and Rec 6:00PM at Town Hall

July 9th- Energy Committee 7:00PM at Town Hall

July 25th – Municipal Task Force Public Hearing 10:00AM at Town Hall

Did You Know?

The paving of East Washington Road is scheduled for Wednesday and Thursday of next week.

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.

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

3.0 BUILDING AND PARKING PERMITS

3.1 Michael Tyler: TM#16-131-3, 138 Bailey Road, proposed to construct a 24 x 36 one bedroom with a loft camp with a full basement. Eaton had inspected the setbacks and all were in accordance with the Land Use Ordinance. During the inspection Eaton found a travel trailer on the property. Tyler will be provided a parking permit application. The permit was tabled for next week.

- 3.2 Dan Duese: TM#20-013, Sweeney Road, proposed to construct a 25 x 25 log cabin. Cook to inspect next week.

4.0

APPOINTMENTS DURING THE DAY AND PREVIOUSLY

4.1 Michael Clark complained to the Selectmen regarding the message that is currently being displayed on the Radar SmartBoard. Clark asked the Selectmen to speak with Chief Marshall. Eaton spoke with Chief Marshall who stated that he has a message pertinent to the area. Cook suggested that the board have a generic message.

4.2 Bob Thompson spoke with the Selectmen regarding APDVD annual meeting agenda. Eastman asked Thompson if there were questions of the ownership of the dam. Thompson explained the history of the dam and its ownership. Eastman asked Thompson if he felt that the APDVD owns the dam. Thompson answered yes. Thompson responded to Don Damm's comments (Ref 6.1 of June 4th) "The issue of the dissolution of the APDVD is not on the posted warrant at this year's annual meeting" per Bob Thompson, Chairman APDVD.

5.0

DEPARTMENT HEAD AND EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENTS

5.1. Chief Marshall:

5.1.1. Provided the logs.

5.1.2. Requested the Selectmen sign the Highway Safety Grant. The paperwork was signed and returned to the Police Department.

5.2 Ed Thayer:

5.2.1. The dam bureau is sending a representative to the Fire Department for a Municipal Training Course for June 22nd. Thayer invited the Selectmen.

5.2.2. Advised the Selectmen that he would be attending the Emergency Preparedness Conference next Tuesday June 23rd in Concord.

5.2.3. Advised the Selectmen that the Mill Pond Project is scheduled to begin the second week of July.

5.3 Mary Krygeris:

5.3.1. Requested that the Selectmen's Minutes include their session scheduled for Tuesday June 30th (See Important Dates).

5.4 Colleen Duggan:

5.4.1. Spoke with the Selectmen about the streetlight in front of the Library. Asked how much the streetlight costs a month and if the light could be changed to a high-pressure sodium light. Eaton advised that the

cost is \$11.00-\$12.00 a month and the lights are being changed over to high-pressure sodium lights within the next few months.

5.4.2. Asked the Selectmen about the ARRA monies for Library efficiencies upgrades which one of the Trustees are researching.

6.0 PUBLIC APPOINTMENTS

- 6.1** Phil Barker commented that the threshold to the Town Offices should be beveled to increase safety. Barker asked if the Selectmen had spoken with the Conservation Commission regarding his comment a few months back. Eaton advised that the Conservation Commission had requested that the Town continue with the moratorium on selling Town owned lands. Eaton stated that the Selectmen may revisit the issue next year. Barker asked that the Conservation Commission take a look at some of the lots that could possibly be sold. Cook said that it did not seem consistent that we sell a few lots to the abutters but not others.
- 6.2** Dan Duese dropped of a building permit application. (See 3.2)

7.0 COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

- 7.1** A copy of Legislative Bulletin #24. – Public reading file
- 7.2** Email from Mary Ann Turner inviting the Selectmen and Chief Marshall to attend the annual APA meeting scheduled for Saturday, July 11 at 11AM. – Eastman to attend
- 7.3** Email from the Elm Research Institute asking if the Town needs funding for trees. – Forward to the Park and Recreation Commission.
- 7.3** Agenda for the Sullivan County Board of Commissioners Meeting scheduled for June 18, 2009 at 3:00PM. – Filed
- 7.4** Letter from Northeast Resource Recovery Association advising that as of July 1, 2009 there will be a charge for recyclable materials brought to the Keene, NH Transfer Station. – Forward to Thayer
- 7.5** Email from Sullivan County Executive Finance Committee meeting will be held Monday, June 22, 2009 at 8:30AM. – Filed
- 7.6** Email from Bob Thompson requesting the name of the attorney (ref 8.1 of last weeks' minutes)- The secretary provided Thompson the information.
- 7.7** A copy of SPACE, Summer 2009. – Forward to the Assessor's
- 7.8** Invoice from Local Government Center for the Town's Property-Liability Trust for 2009. – Forward to Dagesse
- 7.9** A copy of a letter from Tom Cross to DES regarding APDVD's request for a deep drawdown of Ashuelot Pond. The email asked that DES take no action until after the APA annual meeting. – Filed
- 7.10** Letter from AIA New Hampshire regarding results of the AIA150 Blueprint for America Program. – Filed
- 7.11** Email from NHMA forwarding the Legislative Update regarding the State Budget Update. – Public reading file
- 7.12** Email from Andrea Speranza forwarding a letter of recognition to Johanna Young for her service. – The Selectmen thank Johanna for all of her hard work

7.13 Email from Bob Thompson, APDVD Commissioner, forwarding legal opinions on the dissolution of the APDVD. – (See 4.2)

7.14 A copy of an email from the APDVD to DES in response to APA letter dated June 15, 2009. – Filed

8.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

8.1 Eaton established a 911# for the LAE/Weintraub as 186 Stowell Road. (Ref 3.2 of June 4th's minutes)

8.2 Eaton reported that the bandstand had been scraped and painted this weekend by the Park and Recreation Commission and many volunteers. A big thanks goes out to volunteers; Holly Eaton, Wendy Eaton, Chris Thayer, Chelsea Starkweather, Bridgett Griffin and Serah Carter

8.3 The Selectmen responded to the email from Dennis Kelly (Ref 7.13 of June 4th minutes) stating that they do want a report by September 1st in order for the Planning Board to have time to produce a proper CIP.

8.4 Eastman updated the Selectmen on the basement project of Camp Morgan Lodge. Eastman suggested moving forward on the bathroom and the heating. The Selectmen agreed. Other items to be accomplished would be crash bars on the doors facing the lake, a mop sink and water protection on the basement wall.

9.0 NEW BUSINESS

9.1 Application from Elizabeth Johnson for the use of Camp Morgan Lodge. Eaton motioned to approve the application. Eastman seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

9.2 The Selectmen expect Department Heads to let them know when they are going to have a meeting and need to use a facility such as Town Hall or Camp Morgan Lodge.

10.0 DISBURSEMENTS APPROVED

10.1 The Board approved cheques for payroll of \$5770.79 and vendors \$217,944.10 for the week of June 19, 2009.

11.0 ADJOURNMENT

11.1 There being no further business before the Board; Eastman motioned for adjournment. Cook seconded the motion. All voted in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:40PM

Respectfully,

Michelle Dagesse
Secretary for the Board of Selectmen