

Town of Washington  
Board of Selectmen  
MINUTES  
July 2, 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, Jim Berry

**2.0 MINUTES**

Cook motioned that the Selectmen's minutes of June 25, 2009 be accepted as written. Eastman seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

**Important Dates -**

**July 4<sup>th</sup>** – Annual Flea Market/ Book Sale at the Common 8-2PM

**July 4<sup>th</sup>** – The East Washington Baptist Church will be holding a Bake Sale at the Town Hall from 8AM-Noon

**July 4<sup>th</sup>** – Washington Congregational Church “Open House”

**July 6<sup>th</sup>** – First Day of Summer Camp 10-4PM

**July 7<sup>th</sup>** – Planning Board 7:00PM at Town Hall

**July 8<sup>th</sup>** – Park and Rec 6:00PM at Town Hall

**July 9<sup>th</sup>** – Informational Meeting regarding the East Washington Dam drawdown 6:30PM at the Town Hall

**July 9<sup>th</sup>** - Energy Committee 7:00PM at Town Hall

**July 15<sup>th</sup>** – Conservation Commission 7PM at Town Hall

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

**July 27<sup>th</sup>** – Cemetery Committee 7PM at Town Hall

**August 2<sup>nd</sup>** – Windham Community Swing Band at Camp Morgan 3:00PM, bring a lawn chair or a blanket

**August 29<sup>th</sup>** - Open House at the Montfort Retreat, Time TBA

**Did You Know?**

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

That the Town food pantry currently is need of canned meats (small hams, chicken/turkey breast, spam), canned stews, canned peas, carrots, mixed vegetables, asparagus, creamed corn, coffee, and tea bags. Irving gift cards in \$25.00 increments are great as well.

**3.0 BUILDING AND PARKING PERMITS**

**3.1 Daniel Lafleur: TM#25-067, 2090 Valley Road,** proposed to construct a 10 x 16 porch on the front of the home. Eaton had inspected and found that all of the setbacks were in accordance with the Land Use Ordinance. Cook seconded the motion. All voted in favor, permit # 2338 was approved

**3.2 Lionel and Aileen Chute: TM12-2-1, 215 Halfmoon Pond Road,** proposed to relocate a 16 x 20 shed closer to the house and convert

to a sugarhouse and attaching a 6 x 20 lean-to for wood storage. Eaton had inspected and found that all of the setbacks were in accordance with the Land Use Ordinance. Eastman seconded the motion. All voted in favor, permit #2337 was approved

#### **4.0**

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

**4.1** The Selectmen, Carolyn Russell, Ron Jager, Tom Marshall, Dennis Kelly, Jim Russell, Steve Hanssen, Steve Terani and Mr. Monahon met to discuss the future of the Meeting House. Selectmen are awaiting a list of priorities from the Municipal Task Force by way of the Planning Board to get a consensus of the future of the Town Hall.

**4.2** A concerned citizen requested information on the Senior Group and insurance coverage for the use of Camp Morgan Lodge. The citizen also requested that the Selectmen ask the Washington Snow Riders find a solution to securing the bun warmer or have the structure removed. The Selectmen will send a letter to the SnowRiders.

**4.3** Scott Snell phoned in response to a letter he received from the Selectmen's Office. He advised the Selectmen that his shed had not been removed from the trailer it had been placed upon. He kept the building permit application for the fall when he planned to place the shed on the property.

**4.4** Bob Thompson advised the Selectmen that the elected officials of the APDVD have not signed an oath of office in the past. He asked if the Town had an Oath of Office he could use for the APDVD. He was informed to request the paperwork from the Town Clerk.

Thompson advised the Selectmen that a 6 inch by 8 inch sink hole had been found on the Ashuelot Pond Dam. He advised that a contractor has been contacted.

**4.5** Mike Clark requested that the Selectmen ask the Department of Public Works to cut back the brush and a couple of branches in front of Lionel Chute's property. Clark stated that it was a line of sight danger.

**4.6** Carl Gaudio asked if his abutter had applied for a building permit. He was advised that no permit had been filed.

#### **5.0**

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

##### **5.1. Ed Thayer:**

**5.1.1.** Advised that Vicki Davis from Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Division, asked if the Town of Washington would be interested a multi-town hazardous household waste day. He advised that we had already one scheduled for this year.

**5.1.2.** Requested that the Selectmen sign a pit agreement between the Town and Karen Blakney. The Selectmen signed the agreement and it will be sent to Blakney for her signature.

**5.1.3.** Updated the Selectmen on the Halfmoon Pond Bridge Project, that DES and the archeological group will meet next week, and that the project is tentatively scheduled to start the week of July 13th.

**5.1.4.** Weather permitting paving will continue next Tuesday on East Washington Road.

**5.1.5.** Requested a copy of Tax Map14-400 for a possible logging operation on the Marlow side of Washington. Thayer and Cook will visit the site next week.

**5.2 Assessors:**

**5.2.1.** Lynn Cook and Arline France requested that the Selectmen appoint Kathy Atkins to fill the vacancy of Assessor as of August 1, 2009 until the 2010 Town Meeting. The Selectmen will address at the end of the month.

**5.3 Carolyn Russell:**

**5.3.1.** Requested the Selectmen accept a donation of four \$25.00 Irving gift cards for the Welfare Department. (See 9.1)

**5.4 Jim Berry: (Health Officer)**

**5.4.1.** Advised that the South Main Street property has been brought up to compliance.

**5.4.2.** Advised that the septic issue on Valley Road has been addressed.

**5.4.3.** Advised that he had attended the Emergency Management Conference last week.

**Cemetery Trustee**

**5.4.4.** Provided the Selectmen with minutes from the Cemetery Committee for last month.

**5.5 Mary Krygeris:**

**5.5.1.** Requested a copy of the new keys to the Selectmen's door. She advised that she had not yet received a key and could not get into the office the previous evening for a Supervisor of the Checklist meeting. She was provided a key.

**6.0**

**PUBLIC APPOINTMENTS**

**6.1**

Bill Cole spoke with the Selectmen regarding new door hardware for the rear and side doors at Town Hall. Cole updated the Selectmen on the condition of the doorjamb and sills of the double doors facing the lake at Camp Morgan Lodge. He advised that they are operating a little better but thought that maybe the doors should be replaced before the new hardware is placed. Cole provided the Selectmen with a quote for new doors and labor to replace them. Cole said that the door in the kitchen is in a little better shape but it

still has issues with twisting. Eastman asked Cole about the panic bar on the kitchen door. Cole said that he had removed the door and planed it down a bit. Cole said that the door would open with a swift hit but not with a light touch. Cole suggested that fiberglass doors would be the best bet. The Selectmen reviewed the quote for the work. Eaton motioned to approve the bid. Cook seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

## **7.0 COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED**

- 7.1 A copy of the New Hampshire Revised Statutes. – Filed
- 7.2 A copy of a letter from NHDES to the Slaves of the Immaculate Heart of Mary of St Benedict in reference to their standard dredge and fill application. – Filed
- 7.3 A copy of Legislative Bulletin, #25. – Public reading file
- 7.3 Email from Executive Finance Committee advising that the draft meeting minutes from June 22, 2009 have been posted to their website. – Public reading file
- 7.4 A copy of Slice of Life. – Forward to Thayer
- 7.5 A letter from Vivian Hunter responding to a letter she received from the Selectmen to screen her propane tank. She will be having a local contractor construct a screen. – Filed
- 7.6 Letter from the State of New Hampshire Department of Safety advising that effective June 12, 2009 SB 202 allows municipalities to choose either a New Hampshire state record check, or both a New Hampshire state record check and a FBI record check on new employees and volunteers. – Filed
- 7.7 Email from Laurie Geer advising of the next Sullivan County Full Delegation scheduled for July 21, 2009 @ 9:00AM with an Executive Finance Committee Meeting to follow. – Public reading file
- 7.8 Agenda for the Sullivan County Board of Commissioners Meeting scheduled for July 2, 2009. –Public reading file
- 7.9 Email from Sue Blothenburg advising that the Smart Start Contract has been signed and will be returned to the Town. The lights have been ordered and tentatively been scheduled for installation at the end of July. – Filed
- 7.10 Certified letter from John Rigby advising the Town of an application for a shoreline permit. – Filed
- 7.11 Letter from National League of Cities advising of the upcoming meeting scheduled for October 11-13, 2009. – Filed
- 7.12 Email from Energy Audits Unlimited advising of basic energy auditor training available. – Forward to the Energy Committee
- 7.13 Email from NHRS advising of the new contribution rates. – Forward to Dagesse
- 7.14 Email from Thayer requesting to schedule a meeting to update the Hazard mitigation plan. Thayer has requested a department head or designee be available. – Forward to Cook

## **8.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- 8.1 Park and Recreation Commission along with volunteers Holly and Wendy Eaton have finished painting the bandstand.

8.2 The Historical Society returned the map of the Town roads. (Ref 6.1 of last week's minutes)

**9.0 NEW BUSINESS**

9.1 Eaton motioned to approve the request to accept a donation of four \$25.00 Iriving gift cards. Cook seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

**10.0 DISBURSEMENTS APPROVED**

**10.1** The Board approved cheques for payroll of \$5,506.72 and vendors \$10,054.57 for the week of July 3, 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 at 8:59PM

Respectfully,

Michelle Dagesse  
Secretary for the Board of Selectmen