Town of Washington Board of Selectmen

Meeting Minutes

September 15, 2022, Selectmen Meeting 7:00 pm at the Town Hall.

ASSEMBLY

MEMBERS: Don Revane, chair Allan Dube, Tom Marshall (absent)

1.0 Visitors: Mark Florence, Arin Mills, Judy Aron

2.0 **Minutes:** Revane moved to approve September 8, 2022 minutes, Dube second; all voted in favor.

IMPORTANT DATES:

September 21, 2022, Conservation Commission meeting, 7:00 pm Town Hall

September 22, 2022, Selectmen meeting 9:00 am – 4:00 pm, Town Hall; 7:00 pm evening meeting, Town Hall

September 27, 2022, Cemetery Trustee meeting, 7:00 pm Town Hall

September 28, 2022, Zoning Board of Adjustments meeting. 7:00 pm Town Hall 2nd floor

September 29, 2022, Public Hearing to accept funds from New Hampshire D.O.T. for a special one-time payment Bill 401 payment for Maintenance, Construction, and Reconstruction of Class IV and V highways for \$53,322.42. Selectmen meeting to follow.

DID YOU KNOW!

➤ Washington Area Artisans 2022 Art Event October 1, 2nd & October 8, 9th Mill Pond Common, East Washington 10:00 am to 4:00pm

➤ Sponsored by the Washington Congregational Church Lasagna Dinner at Camp Morgan on Friday, October 7th. Call Sue Hofstetter at 603-495-0096 for more information or to make a reservation also email your reservation request to shofstet@hotmail.com. Take out available by reservation

3.0 BUILDING PERMITS:

- 3.1 Stephen Amari, Tm. # 25-52 requested a one-year extension on Permit # 20-61. Revane moved to approve the one-year extension on Permit # 20-61. Dube second all voted in favor. Permit extension # 20-61-22.
- 3.2 Kenneth Tanner Tm. # 22-72 requesting a building permit to construct a 20 X 20' two-bedroom house with a 15 X 20 deck. Revane moved to approve the building permit and Dube second all voted in favor. Permit # 22-53

4.0 APPOINTMENTS DURING THE DAY AND PREVIOUSLY

4.1 Annie Faulkner and Gwyndaf Jones discussed the culvert placed during logging on Jefts Rd. The board to follow up with Department Environmental Services.

5.0 DEPARTMENT HEADS AND EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENTS:

- 5.1 Shawn Atkins, (fire chief)
- 5.1.2 Provided weekly logs.
- 5.1.3 Reviewed purchase price for replacement of two sets of fire gear, boots, and fire hose. Selectmen agreed with purchases
- 5.1.4 Continued conversation regarding possible new hire and pay raises.
- 5.1.5 Updated the board that the pump test is scheduled for this month.

6.0 PUBLIC

6.1 Arin Mills, (Conservation Commission) inquiring about the meeting the board had earlier in the day, Re: Jefts Road culvert. (See 4.1). The select board explained the main concern is the water levels, with the current culvert. Also, asked about Anita Blackman's report regarding the cut on Faxon Hill. DeFosse to follow up with Anita.

Arin asked the board about the town enforcing RV permits within Lake Ashuelot Estates. The board explained that LAE association's rules do not allow RVs which is more restrictive, so the town has to obey by the association's rules. It would be up to the association to enforce its regulations. If the association voted to have it state RV permits to follow the Town's LUO that would be a different outcome, the town can then enforce the RV permitting.

6.3 Judy Aron, (State Rep.) stopped to see if the town had any legislature changes in mind, and shared that the state still has money to use and explained to Arin Mills that there are grants still out there to help with the school's expenditure

7.0 COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED:

- 7.1 Sullivan County Nutrition Services, Re: asking for the Towns support of \$ 3,003.00 for the ensuing year, tabled for consideration.
- 7.2 NH Department of Environmental Services, Re: Standard Dredge and Fill Wetlands Permit Application. Tm. # 11-42.
- 7.3 Property owner, Tm. # 12-11 email response that the unpermitted storage box will be removed by the end of October.
- 7.4 Arline France, (Trustee of Trust Fund, chair) provided Capital Reserve fund, and Common Fund monthly balances, August.
- 7.5 Shawn Atkins, (Fire Chief), provided his weekly admin report
- 7.6 Request the rental of the Town Hall on October 14, 2022
- 7.7 New Hampshire Paid Family & Medical Leave, Benefit Announcement.
- 7.8 Email correspondence with the Old School House project regarding the installation of the drop ceiling.
- 7.9 Email from a citizen regarding one's concerns with the highway department maintaining a culvert on Valley Road.
- 7.10 Property owner requested a180 day RV permit while under construction (Building Permit # 22-09). Revane moved to approve the 180-day RV permit, Dube second all voted in favor. Permit # 25-115-22, expiring January 28. 2023.

8.0 OLD BUSINESS:

9.0 NEW BUSINESS:

9.1 Revane moved to approve the expenditure of 3, 214.23 from the Bridge Capital Reserve Fund, Dube second, all voted in favor.

10.0 EXPENDITURES:

10.1 The Selectmen authorized payroll checks for \$ 8,122.49 and vendor checks for \$ 20,359.20 for the week of September 9, 2022.

11.0 ADJOURNMENT:

11.1 Revane moved to adjourn at 8:17 pm and Dube second. All voted in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Deborah DeFosse