Town of Washington Board of Selectmen

Meeting Minutes

April 27, 2023, Selectmen Meeting 7:00 pm at the Town Hall.

ASSEMBLY

MEMBERS: Don Revane, Chair, Allan Dube, Gary Kendall

1.0 Visitors: Nick Cashorali, Hope Damon (State Rep.), Shawn Atkins

2.0 Minutes: Kendall moved to approve April 20, 2023 minutes, Revane second; all voted in favor.

IMPORTANT DATES:

May 2, 2023, Planning Board meeting 6:30 pm, Town Hall.

May 3, 2023, Trustee of Trust Fund meeting 10:00 am Town Hall

May 4, 2023, Selectmen meeting 9:00 am – 4:00 pm, Town Hall; 7:00 pm evening meeting, Town Hall.

DID YOU KNOW!

Burn Permits

Except when the ground is covered with snow:

Any person who kindles a fire in the Town of Washington is required to obtain a written burn permit from the Washington Town Fire Warden, one of his deputies, or one of his issuing agents (see website for contact information) Or **online directly from N.H. Division of Forests and Lands. To purchase a permit online, go to https://nhfirepermit.com**. No fire may be kindled during VERY HIGH or EXTREME FIRE DANGER.

Call 495-3030 before starting your fire!

May 20– Lasagna Dinner at Camp Morgan Lodge in Washington NH served between 5 pm and 6 pm Sponsored by the Washington Congregational Church. Menu includes homemade meat lasagna, green tossed salad, garlic bread, beverage, and dessert. Adults - \$12; Children under 12 - \$5; Kids under 5 free. Reservations must be made in advance by calling Sue at 603-495-0096 or emailing your reservation request to shofstet@hotmail.com. Take-out available by reservation with pick-up at the side entrance between 4:30 and 5 pm.

Notice

The month of April is time to get your dog(s) licensed

Town Clerk Hours: Thursdays – 1:00 pm to 7:00 pm Friday- 9:00 am to 3:00 pm Last Saturday of the month, 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

3.0 BUILDING PERMITS:

- 3.1 Robert Langlois, Tm. # 14-86 requesting a building permit to construct a 15 X 20' screen porch. Tabled
- 3.2 Daniel and Deborah Gaity, Tm. # 11-33 requesting a building permit to construct a 10 X 24' addition. Tabled
- 3.3 Steven Becker Tm. # 7-29 requested a building permit to construct a 30 X 40' barn with a 10 X 40' overhang. Tabled
- 3.4 James Hall Tm. # 14-430 requested a building permit to construct a 20 X 15' sugar house. Tabled

4.0 APPOINTMENTS DURING THE DAY AND PREVIOUSLY.

- 4.1 Property owner Tm. # 20-163 to review Land Use Ordinance (Construction)
- 4.2 Lawrence Gaskell (Washington Snowriders) provided the State of New Hampshire, Department of Natural and Cultural Resources, Division of Parks and Recreation Bureau of Trails. Re: Grant-In-Aid Project Permission Form. Kendall moved to approve the Grant-In-Aid Project on Ayers Pond Road and Old Marlow Road, and for Revane to sign on behalf of the board, Dube second all voted in favor.
- 4.3 The board witnessed a test pit (Tm. # 11-27-4).
- 4.4 Ed Thayer and Meridian Land Services met to review plans and costs for the next phase of the Sand Pit.

5.0 DEPARTMENT HEADS AND EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENTS:

- 5.1 Ed Thayer (DPW)
- 5.1.1 Reviewed the construction plan and bid quotes on Sand Shed
- 5.1.2 Provided three (3) quotes on purchasing Conex containers.

- 5.2 Shawn Atkins (fire chief)
- 5.2.1 Discussed personnel and paperwork procedures requesting funds from the Trustee of Trust Fund. Reviewed minutes. The select board requesting the monthly fire departments minutes

6.0 PUBLIC

- 6.1 Hope Damon (State Representative, Sullivan County District 8) introduction to the board of her background and how she decided to run for State Rep. Hope sits on the House Education Committee and Housing Committee. If you want to contact Hope with any comments or concerns, please get in touch with her at Hope.Damon@leg.state.nh.us or 603-848-4257 cell.
- 6.2 Nick Cashoreli enquired about the two loan balances (DeFosse to Forward information) and asked who to see regarding changing the Land Use Ordinances. Revane explained he would need to see the planning board and provided the date and time of the meeting.

Nonpublic Session Minutes Select Board, Town of Washington, NH

Donald Revane, Selectman Allan Dube, Selectman Gary Kendall, Selectmen

Motion to enter Nonpublic Session made by Revane, second by Dube

Specific Statutory Reason cited as the foundation for the nonpublic session:

X RSA 91-A:3, II(c) Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person other than a member of this board, unless such person requests an open meeting. This exemption shall extend to include any application for assistance or tax abatement or waiver of a fee, fine or other levy if based on inability to pay or poverty of the applicant.

Roll Call vote to enter nonpublic session: Revane Y
Dube Y
Kendall Y

Entered nonpublic session at 7:04 pm.

Note: Under RSA 91-A:3, III. Minutes of proceedings in nonpublic sessions shall be kept and the record of all actions shall be promptly made available for public inspection, except as provided in this section. Minutes and decisions reached in nonpublic session shall be publicly disclosed within 72 hours of the meeting, unless, by recorded vote of 2/3 of the members present, it is determined that divulgence of the information likely would affect adversely the reputation of any person **other than a member of this board**, or render the proposed action of the board ineffective, or pertain to terrorism. In the event of such circumstances, information may be withheld until, in the opinion of a majority of members, the aforesaid circumstances no longer apply.

Motion to leave nonpublic session and return to public session by Dube, seconded by Revane.

Motion: PASSED

Public session reconvened at 8:04 pm.

7.0 COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED:

- 7.1 NH Department of Environmental Services, Re: Approval for Construction of Individual Sewage Disposal System (ISDS). Tm. # 11-67
- 7.2 CASA thanking the Town of Washington for continued support
- 7.3 American Red Cross is thanking the Town of Washington for continued support.
- 7.4 Bar Harbor Bank & Trust information regarding a town credit card.
- 7.5 Kroka Expeditions use of Camp Morgan May 4, 2023- May 5, 2023 spring field day.
- 7.6 Email from Continental Paving contracting with the NH DOT to complete upcoming road work, Washington, East Washington Rd. Bradford Springs Road

8.0 OLD BUSINESS:

9.0 NEW BUSINESS:

10.0 EXPENDITURES:

10.1 The Selectmen authorized payroll checks for \$14,107.59 and vendor checks for \$25,569.40 for April 28, 2023.

11.0 ADJOURNMENT:

11.1 Kendall moved to adjourn at 8:28 pm, and Revane second. All voted in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Deborah DeFosse