

Town of Washington
Board of Selectmen

Meeting Minutes

May 11, 2023, Selectmen Meeting 7:00 pm at the Town Hall.

ASSEMBLY

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

1.0 Visitors: Jerry and Nancy Fico

2.0 Minutes: Kendall moved to approve May 4, 2023 minutes, Revane second; all voted in favor.

IMPORTANT DATES:

May 15, 2023, Cemetery Trustee meeting 7:00 pm Town Hall

May 15, 2023 Selectmen work session 10:00 am Newport NH.

May 16, 2023 Trustee of Trust Fund meeting, Tuesday, May 16, 2023, Town Hall, 10 am

May 18, 2023, Selectmen meeting 9:00 am – 4:00 pm, Town Hall; 7:00 pm evening meeting, Town Hall.

May 31, 2023, Zoning Board of Adjustment meeting 7:00 pm 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

3.0 BUILDING PERMITS:

- 3.1 Daniel and Deborah Gaity, Tm. # 11-33 requesting a building permit to construct a 10 X 24' addition. Revane moved to approve the construction. Dube second, all voted in favor. Permit # 23-17
- 3.2 Steven Becker Tm. # 7-29 requested a permit to construct a 30 X 40' barn with a 10 X 40' overhang. Site visit next week
- 3.3 James Hall Tm. # 14-430 requested a building permit to construct a 20 X 15' sugar house. Site visit for next week
- 3.4 Barbara Linkiewicz Tm. # 17-23 requesting a building permit to construct a 10 X 18 deck. The selectmen inspected finding additional information needed on application.
- 3.5 Thomas Tetrault Tm. # 14-295 requesting to amend construction permit # 19-27-21 adding 6 x 16' deck with stairs. Revane moved to approve the building permit, and Kendall second all voted in favor. Permit # 23-18.
- 3.6 Michael Goodman, Tm. # 20-137 requesting a one-year extension on permit # 20-86. Dube moved to approve the one-year extension, and Kendall second all voted in favor. Permit # 23-19-22.

4.0 APPOINTMENTS DURING THE DAY AND PREVIOUSLY.

- 4.1 Property owner Tm. # 22-11, discussed ground solar panel installation.
- 4.2 Property owner Tm. # 7-51 reviewed tax payments.
- 4.3 Citizen reviewed possible plans of construction.
- 4.4 James Hall reviewed the amended building permit.

5.0 DEPARTMENT HEADS AND EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENTS:

5.1 Ed Thayer

5.1.1 Provided lumber quotes for the sand shed and asked the board to sign off. Kendall moved to approve the quotes and for Revane to sign on behalf of the board. Dube second, all voted in favor.

5.1.2 Meridian Land Services, Re: Proposed Gravel Pit, Phase 2- Existing Conditions, Access Road Design, and Wetland Permitting. Dube moved to approve the Meridian cost schedule and for Revane to sign on behalf of the board, Kendall second all voted in favor.

5.2 Shawn Atkins (fire chief)

5.2.1 Reviewed well water testing results. DeFosse to send results to Culligan for review

5.2.2 Looking to purchase a new UTV

6.0 PUBLIC

6.1 Nancy and Jerry Fico reviewed building permit application.

7.0 COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED:

7.1 Email from property owner Tm. # 12-11 questioning May 4th selectmen minutes regarding (7.6) TM. # 12-175 alleged 3rd driveway. The select board reviewed the property file and confirmed existing driveways were in place prior to adoption of LUO thus grandfathered in.

7.2 Health Trust Medical – Eligibility for Elected & Appointed Officials.

7.3 Sandy Eccard (tax collector) provided all unpaid receivables listed by the warrant

7.4 Michael Callender (town clerk) provided Unlicensed Dogs section 466:14 and samples of letters "Warrant for Unlicensed Dogs."

7.5 Property Transfer Survey, Tm. # 15-70-01

7.6 NH Department of Revenue Administration (PA-34) Inventory of Property Transfer.

7.7 2023 New Hampshire Electric Cooperative Official Election Ballot.

7.8 Chief Murdough provided the Calls for Service Total by Call Type, April 2023

7.9 Arline France (trustee trust fund chair) provided Town of Washington Trust/Common fund balances, April 2023.

7.10 Sansoucy Associates, Re: Sale of Telephone Poles from Consolidated Communications to Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy.

8.0 OLD BUSINESS:

9.0 NEW BUSINESS:

9.1 Selectmen opened sealed bids "Summer 2023 Paving Project" tabled for further discussion.

10.0 EXPENDITURES:

10.1 The Selectmen authorized payroll checks for \$ 9,946.59 and vendor checks for \$ 254,680.26 (including school payment) for May 12, 2023.

11.0 ADJOURNMENT:

11.1 Kendall moved to adjourn at 8:30 pm, and Revane second. All voted in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Deborah DeFosse