

Town of Washington
Board of Selectmen

Meeting Minutes

September 21, 2023, Selectmen Meeting 7:00 pm at the Town Hall.

ASSEMBLY

MEMBERS: Don Revane, Chair, Gary Kendall, Allan Dube (absent)

1.0 Visitors:

2.0 Minutes: Kendall moved to approve September 14, 2023 minutes, Revane second; all voted in favor.

IMPORTANT DATES:

September 26, 2023, Cemetery Trustee meeting 7:00 pm Town Hall.

September 28, 2023, Selectmen meeting 9:00 am – 4:00 pm, Town Hall; 7:00 pm evening meeting, Town Hall

October 3, 2023, Planning Board Meeting 6:30 pm, Town Hall

October 11, 2023, Conservation Commission meeting 7:00 p.m. Town Hall

October 18, 2023, Parks and Recreation meeting 5:00 pm Town Hall.

October 31, 2023, Cemetery Trustee meeting 7:00 p.m. Town Hall

DID YOU KNOW!

**Washington Area Artisans 2023 Art Event
September 30 & October 1 / 10 am to 4 pm
Grange Hall and around the Mill Pond, East Washington**

**TRUNK –A- TREAT
OCTOBER 28, 2023 / TOWN COMMON/12:00 pm – 3:00 pm.
PERFORMANCE BY A COMPANY OF WITCHES / 12:30 & 1:30
DECORATE YOUR TRUNK, OR JUST COME AND PASS OUT CANDY
IF INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING PLEASE CONTACT:
Deb DeFosse 495-0494 / Danielle 603-309-6475 / Diane 603-831-8873**

3.0 BUILDING PERMITS:

- 3.1 James Smith Tm. # 14-22 requesting a building permit to extend house 8' toward the road 8' X 24', add covered entrance on street side 5' X 5', and add roof to deck 12' X 24'. Tabled for inspection.
- 3.2 Chris Wynott, Tm. # 16-97 requesting a Land Use Compliance Permit to enclose rear deck. Tabled for inspection.
- 3.3 L.H. Armstrong 1992 Rev. Trust requesting a one-year extension permit # 21-71. Revane moved to approve the one-year extension, Kendall second all voted in favor. Permit # 21-71-23.
- 3.4 Kamil Sterzkowski Tm. # 16-53 requesting a Land Use Compliance Permit to Lift and Install a 52 x 25' foundation. Revane moved to approve the permit, and Kendall seconded all in favor. Permit # 23-52
- 3.5 Matthew Hawkins Tm. # 7-37 requesting a Land Use Compliance Permit to construct (3) 10 X 8' shed, 10 X 16' gazebo/ (3 seasons), and increase original deck to a 32 X 24' deck. Kendall moved to approve the building permit, Revane second all voted in favor. Permit # 23-51

4.0 APPOINTMENTS DURING THE DAY AND PREVIOUSLY.

- 4.1 Jim Crandall, Nan Schwartz, and Peggy Carney (Vision Committee) reviewed town hall parking, moving the community garden, removal of spruce trees and sumac, and water connection for the community garden. The select board will contact Ed Thayer (DPW) regarding the removal of spruce trees and well company regarding the water line connection for the community garden.
- 4.2 Peggy Carney (Library Trustee) will work on getting estimates to replace the roof shingles on the back of the library and discuss the generator relocation.
- 4.2 Matthew Hawkins Tm. # 7-37 reviewed the building permit before submittal.
- 4.3 James Desclos met with the board to discuss setting up a shed on Faxon Hill Road.
- 4.4 Chris Stratton Tm. # 15-131 reviewed building permit plans.

5.0 DEPARTMENT HEADS AND EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENTS:

- 5.1 Shawn Atkins (fire chief)
- 5.1.1 Found a compressor at Runnings and provided the fire/rescue department weekly report.
- 5.2 Ed Thayer (DPW)
- 5.2.1 Updated the board with truck repairs and Valley Road culvert repair.

5.2.2 The Town must monitor the gas at the old landfill; Ed spoke with the fire department (Shawn) and all agreed for the fire department to conduct the testing.

5.2.3 John Sacco should be back on the construction of the Sand Shed next week.

6.0 PUBLIC

7.0 COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED:

7.1 Sullivan County Nutrition Services (Newport Senior Center) is asking for support of \$1,945.00 for the ensuing year. Tabled for consideration

7.2 NH Department of Environmental Services, Re: David Barkie Tm. # 24-25 Amended Shoreland Impact Permit 2023-01423.

7.3 State of New Hampshire, Department of Safety, Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management. Final Reward from the July 29-August 2, 2021 flood. (\$1,659.06 Emergency Management payroll).

7.4 Washington Congregational Church requesting the use of camp Morgan Lodge November 25, 2023, Re: Christmas Craft Fair.

7.5 State of New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration, Re: Education Tax Warrant for Tax Year 2024, assesses the sum of \$527,197.00. This amount is based on a uniform rate of \$1.220/1000 of the 2022 equalized valuation without utilities for \$432,128,462.00.

7.6 Gary Carney (APDVD) provided an updated owner index.

7.7 Email from New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services, Re: Funding RFP for EV charging grant program.

7.8 NH Department of Environmental Services Re: Documented Violation (John & Jennifer Calabro) Tm. # 14-184.

7.9 NH Department of Environmental Services, Re: Approval for Operation of Individual Sewage Disposal System (ISDS). Joanne Deegan Tm. # 22-32.

8.0 OLD BUSINESS:

9.0 NEW BUSINESS:

9.1 Kendall moved to approve the usage of Camp Morgan (See 7.4) and for Revane to sign on behalf of the board. All in favor.

10.0 EXPENDITURES:

10.1 The Selectmen authorized payroll checks for \$10,245.79 and vendor checks for \$11,677.77 for September 22, 2023

11.0 ADJOURNMENT:

11.1 Kendall moved to adjourn at 7:48 pm, and Revane second. All voted in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Deborah DeFosse