

Town of Washington  
Board of Selectmen

### Meeting Minutes

August 13, 2020, Selectmen Meeting 9:00 am at the Town Hall; evening meeting at 7 pm.

### ASSEMBLY

MEMBERS: Tom Marshall, Jed Schwartz, Don Revane

1.0 Visitors:

2.0 Minutes: Schwartz moved to approve the meeting minutes of August 06, 2020, Revane second, all voted in favor.

### IMPORTANT DATES:

August 19, 2020, Trustee of Trust Funds meeting, Wednesday, 10:00 am Shedd Free Library Pergola.

August 20, 2020, Selectmen office hours Thursday's 9 am-4:00 pm, evening meeting 7:00 pm, Town Hall

August 25, 2020, Conservation Commission Zoom meeting, 7:00 pm

August 26, 2020, Planning Board and Zoning Board of Adjustment joint Public Hearing, 6:30 pm Camp Morgan Lodge.

August 26, 2020, Zoning Board of Adjustment Public Hearing, 7:00 pm Camp Morgan Lodge

### **DID YOU KNOW!!**

**Residents and Property owners, to use Camp Morgan' beach you need a transfer sticker which can be obtained from the Transfer Station  
Sundays 11 – 7, Wednesday 10 – 6, Saturday 9 to 5  
(Please bring some form of proof of residency or property ownership, thank you).**

**To All Voters interested in absentee voting, please go to the following web-site <https://www.voteinnh.org/absentee>, download, print and fill out the application form and send it to the Washington Town Clerk, 7 Halfmoon Pond Road, Washington, NH 03280. You can apply for ballots for both of the upcoming elections on the one application.**

**Shedd Free Library  
Curbside pickup, start date: Tuesday, June 16<sup>th</sup>  
New Hours of Operation: Tuesday 10-2 / Thursday 1-5 / Saturday 10-1  
Please go to the Town's website at [washingtonnh.org](http://washingtonnh.org) for additional information**

**Washington Town Beach Advisory (Camp Morgan and East Washington)  
Due to COVID -19,**

**Use of the beach is limited to accessing the lake for swimming  
Please adhere to social distancing guidelines and do not sit or play on the beach.  
The annual Firemen's chicken BBQ and Firemen's Breakfast will be canceled due to COVID -19.**

**Know that the Selectmen are as anxious as you to get beyond this crisis and back to normal**

**Thursday, June 4, 2020, the Town Hall reopened for Tax Collector and Town Clerk transactions, Thursday 1:00 pm to 7:00 pm, Friday 9:00 to 3:00 pm, and the last Saturday of the month 9:00 to 12:00 pm.**

- 1. Please wear a mask**

**From the Fire Chief and Fire Warden Regarding Burn Permits:**

In regards to burn permits, we will not be issuing burn permits at this time so that we can limit the person to person contact. The permitting process can now be done online at [nhfirepermit.com](http://nhfirepermit.com) so please direct everyone to that site for their fire permits.

Taking precautionary measures if anyone is negatively impacted by the Corona-Virus and needs assistance please contact Monica Scanlan, Welfare Administrator 495-0262.

# COVID 19 - IMPORTANT NOTICE and Information 7/2 Update

From the Board of Selectmen July 2, 2020  
Re: COVID-19

**The Selectmen are lifting the shelter in place advisory:** However, when out in public around other people, we advise everyone to wear a face mask and adhere to the social distancing and other guidelines outlined by the state of NH <https://www.nh.gov/covid19/resources-guidance/> and CDC <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/daily-life-coping/index.html>

**To visitors from outside of New England and non-resident homeowners and residents returning from extended travels outside of New England**

When you arrive in Town, you are advised to **self-quarantine for 2 weeks**. Please adhere to social distancing guidelines. This will go a long way towards protecting our most vulnerable residents.

As of June 18, the business of our town government will go on, but some of this work will continue to be completed remotely.

**Restricted Buildings:** DPW Building, Fire, Rescue and Police Station, Camp Morgan Lodge.

**The Town Hall is open for Tax Collector and Town Clerk transactions:**

Thursday 1:00 pm to 7:00 pm, Friday 9:00 to 3:00 pm and the last Saturday of the month from 9:00 to 12:00 pm.

1. To enter the building you **must wear a mask**.
2. Inside the lobby please ring the buzzer to let us know you are here, there will be a **limit of 5 customers at a time within the building**.

**Public Committee, Board, and Commission meetings:**

Any essential town business can be conducted by phone or internet conference, the public will have access to all meetings via a public login and password, minutes will be recorded and posted as usual. If plans are made to adhere to social distancing guidelines and masks are worn by ALL attendees, the Secretary or Chair of the organization can request use of CML for a meeting.

The Selectmen are in close contact with our town safety agencies; Emergency Management, Fire and Rescue, Police and Welfare, and will do our best to keep the public informed of any information relevant to community safety and access to public services. Call [603-495-3661](tel:603-495-3661) to contact the selectmen's office with any questions or concerns. Please leave us a message and one of us will get back to you if the line is tied up.

**For Building Permits:** Please download the permit from the town website and mail the completed permit to the Selectmen, or leave the completed permit and all required documents in the box (labeled "Building Permits") located in the entryway to the meeting house on Thursday mornings between 9:am and Noon. Please call [495-3661](tel:495-3661) if you have any questions or need to make other arrangements for dropping off your permit. The Board will review your permit within 7 days and get back to you by phone with any questions or concerns.

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**Emergency Management** Cynthia Dressel, the Director of Washington's Emergency Management Team is in contact with the state and federal agencies associated with the response to the COVID-19 emergency.

**Fire and Rescue** The Washington Fire and Rescue Chief and Captain are in close contact with our associated hospitals and doing their best to stay on top of the latest protocols that are being updated daily regarding first responders assisting those in need of help during this crisis. For now, the Fire Station building has restricted access to only those who are active fire, rescue, and police personnel. As always **in an emergency call 911**, Non-emergencies fire/rescue [495-3133](tel:495-3133).

**Police** The Washington police are maintaining their usual full schedule of operations. Non-emergencies call [495-3294](tel:495-3294)

**The Recycling/Transfer Station** will be opened at the usual hours, please remain in your vehicles until you can pull up to the compactor to dispose of your trash. **As of Wed. June 24 Paper and cardboard will be accepted again at the recycling center**, all other recycling will continue as usual. The attendant shed is restricted to employees only.

**The Department of Public Works** will continue to be fully operational, however, their building will be restricted to DPW personnel only. Please call Ed Thayer with any questions regarding the roads or the transfer station at [603-495-3641](tel:603-495-3641).

**The Welfare Department** is here to help! Please contact Monica Scanlan at [495-0262](tel:495-0262) if you are in need of welfare assistance. If you need assistance with groceries, please contact Sue Hofstetter at [495-0096](tel:495-0096) to schedule an appointment to visit the food pantry. The privacy of all welfare clients is guarded and respected so please let us know if you need help!

Again, as the situation evolves we expect changes and revisions to these measures. Please visit the Washington Website <https://www.washingtonnh.org> for the latest updates on services and restrictions due to the pandemic.

Please stay safe and reach out to us if you need help!

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### 3.0 BUILDING PERMITS:

3.1 Stephen Amari, Tm # 25/52 requesting a building permit to remove existing home and rebuild and add on a 270 sq. ft. addition. Revane moved to approve the building permit, Marshall second all voted in favor. Permit # 20/61.

### 4.0 APPOINTMENTS DURING THE DAY AND PREVIOUSLY:

4.1 Conference call with Brad Rhodes, (Veteran Technology), Re: E-mail options.

4.2 Citizen spoke with the select board regarding the town road's easements.

4.3 Selectmen and Peggy Carney met at the Shedd Free Library to view building maintenance.

### 5.0 DEPARTMENT HEADS AND EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENTS:

### 6.0 PUBLIC:

## 7.0 COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

7.1 NH Department of Environmental Services, Re: Do Not Backfill, Not approved for Operation Tm # 24/48.

7.2 DrummondWoodsum, (town council) Re: provided a copy of the Town's Motion to Appoint a Commissioner to Sell Defendant's Real Property in Execution of Judgement. Case No.: 220-2017-CV-00017.

7.3 Property Transfer Survey Tm. # 22-48, 22-49, 22-49-01.

7.4 Property Survey Tm. 20-179 & 20-180.

7.5 Law Office of Steve J. Bonnette, P.C., Re: NH Department of Revenue Administration (PA-34) Inventory of Property Transfer Tm # 14/343.

7.6 Washington Congregational Church, requesting to continue church services outdoors. The select board approves the continuance of outside church services.

## 8.0 OLD BUSINESS:

## 9.0 NEW BUSINESS:

9.1 Revane moved to approve the contract with CJT Carpentry for the siding and trim on the Old School House/Police Station. Marshall second all voted in favor.

9.2 Schwartz moved to sign the Real Estate Tax Payment Agreement on Tm. # 20/69, Marshall second all voted in favor.

9.3 Schwartz moved to approve two abatements for Tm # 7/46 and LAE Association. Revane second all voted in favor.

## 10.0 EXPENDITURES:

10.1 The Selectmen authorized payroll checks for \$ 8,678.26 and vendor checks for \$ 24,278.72 for the week of August 14, 2020.

## 11.0 ADJOURNMENT

11.1 Schwartz moved to adjourn at 7:18 pm and Marshall second. Moved

Respectfully Submitted,

Deborah DeFosse