Town of Washington Board of Selectmen

Meeting Minutes

January 21, 2020, Selectmen Meeting 7:00 pm at the Town Hall.

ASSEMBLY

MEMBERS: Tom Marshall, Don Revane, Jed Schwartz

1.0 Visitors:

2.0 2.0 Minutes. Marshall moved to approve January 14, 2021 minutes, Schwartz second all voted in favor.

## **IMPORTANT DATES:**

January 28, 2021, Selectmen Meeting 9:00 am – 4:00 pm at the Town Hall; 7:00 pm evening meeting, Town Hall

## PUBLIC NOTICE WASHINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING

A Public Budget Hearing will be held on Monday, February 8, 2021 (snow date 2/9/2021) At 6:00 PM virtually via Zoom meeting. Join Zoom Meeting <u>https://zoom.us/j/91675256203?pwd=dEVqQ09VaFI</u> ybUNVcmorK3ZnT05jQT09 Meeting ID: 916 7525 6203 Passcode: 780181 Audio by Phone Only: 888 475 4499 US Toll-free; Meeting ID: 916 7525 6203 The purpose is to receive public input on the Washington School District's proposed 2021-2022 operating budget and warrant articles.

February 10, 2021, Budget Hearing 7:00 pm Zoom:

**Public Notice Town of Washington Public Budget Hearing** 

A Public Budget Hearing will be held on Wednesday, February 10, 2021 At 7:00 PM virtually via Zoom meeting.

Topic: Washington Budget Hearing Time: Feb 10, 2021 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada) Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81855807981?pwd=bEw2T3BxM01xT1RIK1EvOFIISkdJQT09

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

#### Public Notice Candidates for Town and School Office 2021

**Filing For School and Town Offices** 

A person interested in being a candidate for the following school district offices or town offices may file for these positions starting on January 20, 2021. The deadline for filing is 5:00 pm on January 29, 2021. Persons wishing to file should contact the Town Clerk, Meghan Robicheau at the Washington Town Office, 495-3667 (Thursday 1:00-7: 00 pm, Friday 9:00 am-3:00 pm).

> Selectmen 1 for 3 years Treasurer 1 for 1 year Town Clerk 1 for 1 year Moderator 1 for 2 years Cemetery Trustee 1 for 3 years Trust Fund Trustee 1 for 3 years Trust Fund Trustee 1 for 2 years Library Trustee 1 for 3 years Supervisor of Checklist 1 for 2 years

Washington School District 2 School Board Members – 3-year term 1 School District Moderator – 1-year term 1 School District Clerk – 1-year term 1 School District Treasurer – 1-year term

Persons wishing to submit warrant articles for inclusion in the 2021 Washington School District Warrant or the Washington Municipality must submit such warrants to the School Board, or one of its members, Municipality must submit to the Select Board no later than February 4, 2021, at 5:00 pm. Person wishing additional school information may contact the Superintendent of School's office at 464-4466. Person wishing additional municipality information may contact the Selectmen's office at 495-3661.

Senior Luncheon Takeout – January 28<sup>th</sup> Camp Morgan Lodge 1:00pm and 2:00pm Snow Date: January 29, 2021 Meals will be delivered to your cars to minimize any close contact with our crew. Please contact Sue Mcquade @ 495-3763 for a reservation.

Washington Fire Department ~ Annual Ice Fishing Derby Has been canceled, we will miss seeing everyone greatly, our goal is to make it up to you all next year's derby where we already have many things planned.

For information and scheduling a time and place to get vaccinated for COVID-19 Please visit the website below for New Hampshire Residents: <u>https://www.vaccines.nh.gov</u>

## From the Fire Warden and Fire Chief Regarding Burn Permit:

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 <u>nhfirepermit.com</u> so please direct everyone to that site for their fire permits

# COVID 19 - IMPORTANT NOTICE and Information

From the Board of Selectmen December 03, 2020 Re: COVID-19

**To all residents and visitors from the Selectmen:** Masks are <u>mandatory</u> in all Washington public buildings. When out in public in proximity to other people, please wear a face mask and adhere to the social distancing and other guidelines outlined by the state of NH <u>https://www.nh.gov/covid19/resources-guidance/</u> and CDC <u>https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/daily-life-coping/index.html</u>

# 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 10 days**. 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**.

# 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 the 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 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 with Town Administrator. Please call 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.

#### **Shedd Free Library**

Curbside pickup: New Hours of Operation: Tuesday 10-2 / Thursday 1-5 / Saturday 10-1 Please go to the Town's website at <u>washingtonnh.org</u> for additional information.

**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 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.

**Police** The Washington Police are maintaining their usual full schedule of operations. Non-emergencies call 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.

**The Welfare Department** is here to help! Please contact Monica Scanlan at 495-0262 if you are in need of welfare assistance or are negatively impacted by the Corona-Virus. .If you need assistance with groceries, please contact Sue Hofstetter at 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 <u>https://www.washingtonnh.org</u> 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:**

3.2 Siri Pellegrino Tm # 25-45 requesting a building permit for the previously constructed 206 sq. ft. of stairs to the lake. Revane moved to approve the previous established 3' X 6" wide, 59' long accessory access stairs to the lake. Permit # 21-4.

3.3 Eric Mensh Tm # 24/48 requesting to amend building permit # 20/87, adding a 3 X 4' overhang with landing and stairs. Marshall moved to deny the building permit do to sideline setback. Schwartz second all voted in favor. Forward to Zoning Board of Adjustment for consideration.

3.4 Wayne Chasse, Tm. # 14-432 requesting a building permit to construct a 30 X 50' garage. Schwartz moved to deny the building permit due to sideline setbacks. Marshall second all voted in favor. Forward to Zoning Board of Adjustments for consideration.

# 4.0 APPOINTMENTS DURING THE DAY AND PREVIOUSLY:

4.1 Mark Longval, discuss the status of his property on South Main Street.

4.2 Conference call with a citizen inquiring about property in East Washington. The Select board helped with questions and suggested to use the Towns website and review the Land Use Ordinance for additional information.

4.3 Citizen from Lake Ashuelot discussed Land Use regulations.

# **5.0 DEPARTMENT HEADS AND EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENTS:**

5.1 Guy Eaton, (town moderator)

5.1.1 Had further discussion on Town Meeting. (HB1129) procedures.

# 5.2 Ed Thayer

5.2.1 Updated the select board with truck repairs.

6.0 PUBLIC:

# 7.0 COMMUNICATION RECEIVED:

7.1 DrummondWoodsum, (Matthew Serge, town council) sent copy of a letter to property owner regarding Right to Know Request.

7.2 West Behavioral Health, Re: 2020 Report on Philanthropy, placed in public reading file.

7.3 Elan City, Re: introduction of electronic traffic devices.

7.4 Invitation to the Senior Luncheon (take out). The town office would like to thank the senior group for the invite.

## **8.0 OLD BUSINESS:**

## 9.0 NEW BUSINESS:

## **10.0 EXPENDITURES:**

10.1 The Selectmen authorized payroll checks for \$8,469.39 and vendor checks for \$10,522.61 for the week of January 22, 2021.

# **11.0 ADJOURNMENT:**

11.1 Marshall moved to adjourn at 7:13 pm and Revane second. All voted in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Deborah DeFosse