

Town of Washington  
Board of Selectmen

Meeting Minutes

March 11, 2021, Selectmen Meeting 7:00 pm at the Town Hall.

ASSEMBLY

**MEMBERS:** Tom Marshall, Don Revane, Allan Dube, (Jed Schwartz, morning only)

**1.0 Visitors:**

**2.0 Minutes:** Revane moved to approve March 4, 2021 minutes, Marshall second all voted in favor.

**IMPORTANT DATES:**

March 18, 2021, Selectmen Meeting 9:00 am – 4:00 pm at the Town Hall; 7:00 pm evening meeting, Town Hall

March 31, 2021, Zoning Board of Adjustment, 7:00 pm Camp Morgan Lodge

**DID YOU KNOW!**

**The Town of Washington Ordains:  
Ordinance #93:011  
Spring Road Load Limit Posting**

**Limitation of Use:** Except as specifically provided in Section V below, it shall be unlawful for any person to operate any motor vehicle weighing more than six (6) tons on any Limited Weight Street, Highway from **March 1<sup>st</sup> to May 31<sup>st</sup>** or as deemed necessary.

**Special Permits:** The Road Agent shall issue a special permit after consulting with the Board of Selectmen for the operation of vehicles weighing more than six (6) tons over Limited Weight Streets, Highways, and/or Bridges only after the Road Agent and Selectmen determine that the vehicle will not cause unusual damage to the highway.

**Exceptions:** Delivery vehicles making occasional trips to service residences. Any permitted business in the Town of Washington operating a Motor Vehicle empty over six (6) tons from their place of business to and from N.H. Route 31 and N.H. Route 10.

**Due to the pandemic, the Selectmen have voted to postpone the deliberative portion of our Town Meeting to June 8<sup>th</sup>.**

**Public Notice**  
**Town Elected Officials**

**Selectmen 1 for 3 years:**  
**Allan Dube**

**Treasurer 1 for 1 year:**  
**Cynthia Dressel**

**Town Clerk 1 for 1:**  
**Meghan Robicheau**

**Moderator 1 for 2 years:**  
**Guy Eaton**

**Cemetery Trustee 1 for 3 years:**  
**Cynthia Dressel**

**Trust Fund Trustee 1 for 3 years:**  
**Arline France**

**Trust Fund Trustee 1 for 2 years:**  
**Bruce Carpenter**

**Library Trustee 1 for 3 years:**  
**Lynn Hendrickson**

**Supervisor of Checklist 1 for 2 years:**  
**Amber Shifflett**

**Shedd Free Library**

Open regular hour's curbside pickup still available  
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.

## **COVID -19 VACCINE**

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

COVID 19 - IMPORTANT NOTICE and Information 03/04/21 Update

From the Board of Selectmen March 4, 2021

Re: COVID-19

To all residents and visitors from the Selectmen: Masks are mandatory in all Washington public buildings. All Granite Stater's and visitors (above the age of 5) are required to wear a face mask over their noses and mouths any time they are in a public space, indoors or outdoors, where they are unable to or do not consistently maintain a physical distance of at least six feet from persons outside their household.

NH <https://www.nh.gov/covid19/resources-guidance/>

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. If you receive a negative COVID test on day 6 of your quarantine, you can resume public activities and work outside of your home on Day 8. Please adhere to social distancing guidelines. This will go a long way towards protecting our most vulnerable residents.

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

The Town Hall is open for Tax Collector and Town Clerk transactions at regular hours: 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.

To enter the building, you must wear a mask and follow the state guidelines for social distancing.

Board of Selectmen Meetings: The selectmen have resumed their regular schedule of public office hours on Thursdays from 9:30 am-4:00 pm and holding a weekly public meeting at 7:00 pm.

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.

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 any Town organization can request the use of CML or other town building for small public meetings and hearings.

Emergency Management Cynthia Dressel, the Director of Washington's Emergency Management Team, continues to be in contact with the state and federal agencies associated with the response to the pandemic.

Fire and Rescue the Washington Fire and Rescue Chief is in close contact with our associated hospitals regarding protocols for our first responders during the pandemic. The Fire Station continues to have 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 continue to maintain their usual full schedule of operations. Non-emergencies call 495-3294. As always in an emergency call 911

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. All recycling will continue as usual. The attendant shed is restricted to employees only.

The Department of Public Works continues to be fully operational, however, their building is restricted to DPW personnel and vendors only. Please call Ed Thayer with any questions regarding the roads or the transfer station at 603-495-3641.

The Welfare Department Please contact Monica Scanlan at 495-0262 if you are in need of welfare assistance or are negatively impacted by COVID-19.

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!

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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 (495-3661) if you need help!

Washington Board of Selectmen

### **3.0 BUILDING PERMITS:**

#### **4.0 APPOINTMENTS DURING THE DAY AND PREVIOUSLY:**

4.1 Conference call with Aaron Wechsler, Ed Thayer reviewing Tm. # 13-2 to determine the viability of future town use. (Article # 35, Town Report).

4.2 Property owner Tm. 7-25 discussed merger issue. Select board referred to the planning board

4.3 Peabody Electric dropped off revised a/c-heating proposal. (Second floor Meeting House).

4.4 Citizen phoned to discuss late fees on one's taxes. After review and consideration the select board agreed not to waive the late fee.

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

### **5.1 David Marazoff, Kristine Chidester, (assessing)**

5.1.1 Reviewed the 2020 Equalization Municipal Assessment Data Certification Sheet and asking for signatures from the select board.

## **6.0 PUBLIC:**

## **7.0 COMMUNICATION RECEIVED:**

7.1 NH Department of Environmental Services, Re: Approval for Construction of Individual Sewage Disposal System (ISDS). Tm. # 6-98

7.2 NH Department of Environmental Services, Re: Amended Shoreland Impact Permit 2020-02734. Tm. # 24-72.

7.3 NH Department of Environmental Services, Shoreland Impact Permit 2021-00263. Tm # 10-39.

7.4 Sandy Eccard, (tax collector) provided 2016 New Hampshire Revised Statutes Title V- Taxation. (Chapter 76- Apportionment, Assessment, and Abatement of taxes, Section 76:13- Interest).

7.5 NH Preservation Alliance, Re: Old House & Barn Expo, more information, [nhpreservation.org](http://nhpreservation.org) or call 603-224-2281.

7.6 Arline France, (Trustee of Trust Fund), Re: Town of Washington Capital Reserve Funds and Common Funds for February 2021.

7.7 Notice of a Public Hearing from the Planning Board noticing Tm. # 11-27 request for subdivision.

7.8 NH Department of Environmental Services, Re: Approval for construction of Individual Sewage Disposal System (ISDS). Tm. # 19-33.

7.9 David Marazoff, (town assessor) provided copies of sent to NHEC and Eversource Energy regarding the 2020 Tax Assessment.

7.10 Schwartz provided a copy of the Town of Washington Vehicle Sticker Application for Transfer Station and Beach Parking.

## **8.0 OLD BUSINESS:**

## **9.0 NEW BUSINESS:**

9.1 Revane moved to approve two food pantry donations in the sum of 100.00, Marshall second all voted in favor.

9.2 Marshall moved to appoint Don Revane as Select, chair. Dube second all voted in favor.

9.3 Revane moved to approve and sign the 2020 Equalization Municipal Data Certification Sheet. Marshall second all voted in favor. Assessors to process.

## **10.0 EXPENDITURES:**

10.1 The Selectmen authorized payroll checks for \$ 8,327.68 and vendor checks for \$ 264,129.84 for the week of March 12, 2021.

## **11.0 ADJOURNMENT:**

11.1 Marshall moved to adjourn at 7:28 pm and Revane second. All voted in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Deborah DeFosse