

Town of Newington, NH
Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes
Monday, May 6th, 2019 Town Hall

Present: Chair Ted Connors, Selectman Mike Marconi, Selectman Ken Latchaw, Residents; Jack O'Reilly and Chris Cross, Martha Roy, Town Administrator and Eleanor Boy, Recorder.

T. Connors called the meeting to order at 6:00pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes Approval:

M. Marconi moved to approve the minutes of April 29th, 2019. K. Latchaw seconded the motion with all in favor.

Manifest Approval: K. Latchaw moved to approve the manifest for \$10,838.06 dated 4/30/2019. M. Marconi seconded the motion with all in favor.

Facility Use Requests:

M. Marconi moved to approve the following requests:

Blanche Abbott-Town Hall-June 28th, 2019-Burial Reception

Anthony Guerriero-Mall parking Lot-May9-12, 2019-Carnival

K. Latchaw seconded the motion with all in favor.

Reducing Carbon Footprint and Fox Point Dock Road-Jack O'Reilly:

J. O'Reilly pointed out that the dock road has large potholes. He thought that the town needed to install something to divert the water away from the road. The Board of Selectmen asked J. O'Reilly to contact Len Thomas and discuss his ideas with him.

J. O'Reilly also suggested that the Selectmen investigate getting solar power for the Town Hall, Fire and Police buildings in town. J. O'Reilly thought that it was important to try and reduce the Town's carbon footprint. T. Connors would like the school to be included also. M. Roy explained that the Building Inspector has been working on this idea and has gotten 2 quotes for solar paneling on the Town Hall. K. Kelley has also been working on refitting the town buildings with LED lights. M. Marconi suggested that the town look into state grant money for solar conversion.

J. O'Reilly gave the Selectmen a list of suggested new warrant articles for the 2020 Town Meeting.

Newington Congregational Church Questions:

Chris Cross updated the Selectmen on the ownership of lots in the historic district and the future usage of these lots. The church owns 2 lots instead of one. The Assessor's office has confirmed this finding. There are no names on the deeds, just "the church deacons". T. Connors would like to do a site walk of the area, so he can see exactly what C. Cross is explaining. The Board will contact Chris Cross and let him know when they can go for a site walk with him. After the site walk, the Board of Selectmen will review and confer with legal counsel.

Fire Boat Donation Acceptance:

T. Connors would like to see the paperwork associated with the boat donation from Sea-3 and Sprague before the Board votes to accept the donation. T. Connors wants to make sure that there are no strings attached.

SW Cole Contract Review-Road Analysis-Eversource Project:

Eversource is paying for SW Cole to do a road analysis for the town. They will be doing videos of the roads and core samples. **K. Latchaw made a motion to accept the SW Cole road analysis contract. M. Marconi seconded the motion with all in favor.**

E. Boy will post the **Great Bay Wildlife Refuge Public Notice** about the refuge hunt proposal. The meeting will be May 15th, 2019 at 7pm at the Newington Town Hall. The Board of Selectmen would like to pursue the testing of the deer meat on the wildlife refuge. K. Latchaw would like to freeze the samples of meat if there is no money for testing at this time. Newington would like to get a biopsy of the deer that are hunted. If the government isn't going to test, then Newington can do it.

Volunteer Dinner:

The dinner has been moved from June 6th to June 5th.

T. Connors called for a 5-minute break.

K. Latchaw moved to go into a nonpublic session at 6:36pm per RSA 91-A:3 II (e). M. Marconi seconded the motion and T. Connors asked for a roll call vote: M. Marconi- Yes, K. Latchaw- Yes, T. Connors- Yes. All were in favor.

Motion to leave nonpublic session and return to public session by K. Latchaw, seconded by M. Marconi. T. Connors asked for a roll call vote: M. Marconi- Yes, K. Latchaw- Yes, T. Connors- Yes. All were in favor.

The Board returned from the nonpublic session at 7:18pm.

M. Marconi moved to seal the non-public minutes indefinitely. K. Latchaw seconded the motion and T. Connors asked for a roll call vote: M. Marconi- Yes, K. Latchaw- Yes, T. Connors- Yes. All were in favor.

Committee Appointments:

T. Connors made a motion to appoint the following people:

Alan Wilson-Historic District Committee

Martin Callahan-Recreation Committee

Tim Nicoles-Recreation Committee

Rebecca Navelski-Recreation Committee

Laura Stone-Recreation Committee

Bill Blatt-Recreation Committee

Lee Lamson-Library Trustee Alternate

Steve Bush-Library Trustee Alternate

M. Marconi seconded the motion with all in favor.

The Selectmen would like M. Roy to invite J. O'Reilly and Mark Devins to the 5/20/19 Board of Selectmen meeting to discuss their appointments further.

Adjournment: M. Marconi moved to adjourn at 7:47pm. K. Latchaw seconded the motion with all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor Boy
Recorder