

Town of Newington, NH
Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes
Monday, September 9th, 2019 Town Hall

Present: Chair Ted Connors, Selectman Mike Marconi, Selectman Ken Latchaw, Fire Engineer Chair, John Klanchesser, Martha Roy, Town Administrator and Eleanor Boy, Recorder.

T. Connors called the meeting to order at 4:00pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Fire Department Over Expenditure:

M. Roy stated that she had notified the auditors that the Selectmen would like an audit of the Fire Department as soon as possible. The auditors will meet with the Selectmen prior to the audit start.

Economic Development Committee Event: Due to the services for Fire Chief Darin Sabine being on Thursday and Friday the Board of Selectmen decided to recommend canceling the Economic Development Committee's business appreciation event schedule for Thursday September 12th.

Junk Car Letters: Earlier in the year, The Selectmen had received complaints regarding yards with junk in them including junk vehicles. In response to this the Selectmen sent letters to each land use board and committee in Newington asking them to give their recommendations about how to clean up the town. The Board received responses that no action should be taken. The Board agreed with the responses.

The Board discussed the architect interview procedures and questions.

Architect Interviews-Fire Station Design Project:

5pm Interview: McHenry Architecture- Mark Gianniny and Jeremiah Johnson

McHenry Architecture has done a walkthrough and review of the Fire Station.

M. Roy stated that the Selectmen are concerned about the health and safety of the firefighters and is looking for two improvements to the Fire Station; the negative pressure room and the expansion of the bunk area bathrooms.

A small addition at the back corner of the station is needed.

Once the design of the project is complete, the addition to the Fire Station will be put on the 2020 Town Warrant and will be voted on at the Town Meeting on March 14th, 2020.

M. Roy thought that the Town did not need a "needs assessment" and asked McHenry Architects to remove that piece and update their proposal.

The Board thanked the architects for coming in for the interview.

John Klanchesser updated the Board on the services for Darin Sabine. J. Klanchesser is the new Chair of the Board of Fire Engineers.

The new Highway Department snow plow truck should be delivered to Newington by the end of September.

Biospray is going to give the Town an estimate for spraying the weeds on Shattuck Way and the invasive plants along Woodbury Ave.

Two bids were received for the culvert work in Newington. \$39,000 was the low bid for 3 culverts. The Board suggested that only 2 culverts be done in 2019 and the third in 2020, if the vendor will hold the price for the third one. M. Roy will discuss the three culvert projects with Eric Weinrieb, from Altus Engineering, and ask him to prioritize the culverts for repair.

6pm Interview: TMS Architects- Shannon Alther

Shannon walked the Fire Station property with Martha Roy and EJ Hoyt, Acting Fire Chief.

The addition would include a negative pressure room and an expansion of the bunk area bathrooms. It would be approximately 20 X 22 feet.

M. Roy asked S. Alther to include a lump sum for the job in his bid.

Adjournment: M. Marconi moved to adjourn at 6:16pm. K. Latchaw seconded the motion with all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor Boy, Recorder