

Town of Newington, NH
Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes
Friday September 23rd, 2022

Present: Chair Ted Connors, Selectman Brandon Arsenault, Town Engineer Eric Weinrieb, Fire Engineer Ann Hyland Hebert, Martha Roy, Town Administrator and Eleanor Boy, Recorder.

T. Connors called the meeting to order at 12:32pm. Followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes Approval: B. Arsenault moved to approve the August 29th, 2022 minutes. T. Connors seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Manifest Approval: B. Arsenault moved to approve the manifests for \$235,561.69 dated 9/1/2022, \$38,435.77 dated 9/8/2022, \$291.32 dated 9/9/2022 and \$224,988.04 dated 9/15/2022. T. Connors seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Facilities Use Requests:

B. Arsenault moved to approve the following facility use requests;
Recreation Committee-Senior Dinner- October 1,2 &3-Town Hall
Recreation Committee-Tennis Lessons-Mondays in Oct & Nov-Tennis Courts
Elena D'Orto-Retirement Party-October 1st-Old Town Hall
T. Connors seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Railroad Depot-Response to HDC/Historic Society:

B. Arsenault proposed that this item be delayed until the October 3rd meeting so there will be a full Board present. T. Connors agreed.

Dirt Behind Old Stone School-Status:

M. Roy stated that Len Thomas said that he can move the dirt wherever the Board would like it to be moved. He will fill in the holes around the Old Parsonage. T. Connors moved to proceed to have the Road Agent move the dirt behind the Old Stone School and Parsonage. B. Arsenault seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Transfer Station Cameras:

M. Roy and E. Boy are still working on this project. There will be an update soon.

Crack Sealing Schedule:

M. Roy said that Connecticut Crack Sealing had won the bid and said that they would start the work the first two weeks in September. However, they have not started yet and haven't gotten back to her. There are two options to pursue; delay the crack sealing until 2023 or keep pursuing them for the work to be done in 2022. T. Connors said that

he would like M. Roy to keep pursuing them to complete the work in 2022. E Weinrieb concurred and stated that crack sealing can delay having to repave a road for multiple years.

Nimble Hill Road-Status:

B. Arsenault said that he has heard complaints from many residents about how bumpy the road was. B. Arsenault understands that the topcoat doesn't go on until the Spring but wanted to know if the bumpy surface was typical before the topcoat goes on a road. E. Weinrieb said that it is not typical. When the company was rolling the pavement, they didn't roll on an angle- they rolled perpendicular, so the bumps appeared. B. Arsenault asked if this condition was acceptable. E. Weinrieb said that it was fine, not ideal, but fine. From an engineering standpoint there are no structural issues, and it will smooth out once the topcoat is applied in the spring. B. Arsenault asked if they were finished. E. Weinrieb said they are not done; they will only receive a partial payment until the curbing and topcoat are completed. There is a 10% retainage in the contract. B. Arsenault asked if the pending payment is for work completed. E. Weinrieb said yes, for total work completed.

Pickleball Court Lines-South Newington Basketball Court:

The Board received a letter from Wayne Semprini saying that the Pickleball Tournament raised \$3,000 to assist homeless college students. He has asked if pickleball lines could be painted on the basketball court in South Newington. The Recreation Committee is in favor of the lines being painted. T. Connors asked who would be paying for this. Wayne Semprini indicated that his crew could paint the lines. B. Arsenault thought that making an area a multiuse area is good for the town. The Board is just waiting for the Rec Committee to request how they want to pay for the fence to be installed around the pickleball court.

2023 Air Show:

M. Roy explained that the 2023 Airshow will not include the Blue Angels or the Thunderbirds. The Board is welcome to attend the meetings about the airshow. B. Arsenault thought that it is a good event for the town.

Deputy Treasurer-Victoria Eversman:

Treasurer Tracy Adams would like to appoint Victoria Eversman as the Deputy Treasurer. B. Arsenault moved to appoint Victoria Eversman to the open Deputy Treasurer position. T. Connors seconded the motion. All were in favor.

B. Arsenault moved to enter a nonpublic session at 1:02pm per RSA 91-A:3 II (a). T. Connors seconded the motion. T. Connors asked for a roll call vote: B. Arsenault-Yes, T. Connors-Yes. All were in favor.

B. Arsenault moved to return to public session at 1:24pm, seconded by T. Connors. T. Connors asked for a roll call vote: B. Arsenault-Yes, T. Connors-Yes. All were in favor.

B. Arsenault moved to seal the minutes indefinitely. T. Connors seconded the motion. T. Connors asked for a roll call vote: B. Arsenault-Yes, T. Connors-Yes. All were in favor.

Adjournment: B. Arsenault moved to adjourn at 1:25pm. T. Connors seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor Boy, Recorder