

Town of Newington, NH
Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, February 11, 2015 Town Hall 6:00pm

Chair Jan Stuart called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm

Present: Chair Jan Stuart, Selectman Rick Stern and Martha Roy, Town Administrator.

Non-Public Session- R. Stern moved to enter into non-public session under RSA 91:A (Reputation and Personnel), seconded by J. Stuart. All were in favor on a roll call vote.

The Board returned from non-public session at 6:45pm.

Minutes Sealed: R. Stern moved that the non-public session minutes be sealed indefinitely. J. Stuart seconded this. All were in favor on a roll call vote.

Minutes Approval: Approval of minutes was tabled until the next Board meeting.

Manifest Approval: R. Stern moved to approve the manifest for \$173,989.83 dated 2/3/15. J. Stuart seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Red Flashing Light Update: Chief Tretter updated the Board of Selectmen in a memo regarding the stop sign light. He wrote that there are no parts available to fix the light. It will cost \$2,000 to install a new strobing light. The Board decided to table a vote on the matter until they received a cost to install. They also requested verification that a different vendor could not provide a second quote.

Over Expenditure Form: The Board reviewed the draft Overexpenditure form to be given to all departments for 2015. R. Stern requested that the law governing this process was listed on the form.

Town Sign Policy: The Board discussed how to decide what to put on the Town Sign in front of the Fire Station. R. Stern moved to issue guidelines for the Town Sign as follows: Any town entity can make a request to the Board of Selectmen to have a message on the sign. All requests must be approved by the Board of Selectmen. J. Stuart seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Essential Personnel: R. Stern moved to designate the Highway Department and Town Custodian as Essential personnel. The Town Administrator is essential on payroll days. J. Stuart seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Facility Use Requests:

R. Stern moved to approve the following Facilities Usage requests:

Justin Flynn-OTH-February 8th, 12-6, Birthday Party

Newington Fire Department-TH-March 7th, Safe Boating Class, 8-5

Newington Fire Department-TH-April 8th, Police & Fire Class with DEA

J. Stuart seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Clicker Requests:

Katlyn Hojnacki-100 Arboretum Drive

R. Stern moved not to approve this clicker request because Ms. Hojnacki does not qualify as a resident under the State's definition of "resident". J. Stuart seconded the motion with regret and all were in favor.

Coin Operated Game Machine Permits:

Chuck E. Cheese

R. Stern moved to approve the Chuck E. Cheese request for 58 Coin Operated Game Machine permits @ \$25 each. J. Stuart seconded the motion and all were in favor.

New Business:

Fire Truck Sale: The Board discussed selling the 1977 Fire truck. This sale to a previous high bidder will be contingent on not owing Coastal any money. **R. Stern moved to accept the bid of \$2,077.77 for the truck. J. Stuart seconded the motion and all were in favor.**

Water Study: The Board reviewed the Portsmouth Water study conducted by the independent consultant. The Board asked that a complete list of wells in town be conducted by the Contract Appraiser or one of the Town Departments.

The Board of Selectmen noted that the Highway Department has done an **excellent** job plowing this season.

Adjournment: R. Stern moved to adjourn at 7:37pm. J. Stuart seconded the motion with all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha S. Roy
Town Administrator