

Town of Newington, NH
Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes
Monday, March 23, 2015 Town Hall 6:30pm

Chair Jan Stuart called the meeting to order at 6:33pm

Present: Chair Jan Stuart and Selectman Rick Stern and Selectman Cosmas Iocovozzi. Also, present were Jon Klanchesser, Sarah MacGregor, President of Dragon Mosquito, Ryan Naujoks of Dragon Mosquito and Martha Roy, Town Administrator.

Minutes Approval: R. Stern moved to approve the public and non-public minutes of March 9, 2015. C. Iocovozzi seconded the motion with all in favor.

Mosquito and Tick Control RFP Opening: The Board opened the proposals from Swamp Incorporated and Dragon Mosquito. R. Stern moved to award the mosquito and tick control proposal to Dragon Mosquito for 2015. C. Iocovozzi seconded the motion for discussion purposes. C. Iocovozzi asked for details as to why Swamp had only included 5 sprays when the average for the seacoast area was 11 sprays. He wanted to know what the average number of sprays for Newington was. J. Stuart stated that she was appalled that the normal bid had been in the \$70,000 range for years as opposed to the proposals of under \$40,000 that the town is now receiving. **The vote was 2-0-1 with C. Iocovozzi abstaining.**

Manifest Approval: R. Stern moved to approve the manifest for \$17,265.94 dated 3/17/15. C. Iocovozzi seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Union Negotiation Representative: R. Stern proposed that J. Stuart remain on the bargaining team with C. Iocovozzi. The Board asked M. Roy to check with the Fire Engineers to see if this was acceptable.

Appointments: C. Iocovozzi moved to appoint Police Chief Jon Tretter to the position of Co-Director of Emergency Management, Fire Chief Andy Head to the position of Co-Director of Emergency Management and further to approve the Town Clerk/Tax Collector appointment of Ann Beebe to the position of Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector. R. Stern seconded the motion with all in favor.

Resignations: The Board received letters of resignation from Michael Marconi from Planning Board and Budget Committee as well as from Justin Richardson from Zoning Board of Adjustment. **C. Iocovozzi moved that a letter be sent to**

Michael Marconi expressing thanks for his many years of service to the Town and regret at the loss of his expertise. R. Stern seconded this motion with all in favor.

C. Iocovozzi moved to accept the resignation of Justin Richardson from the Zoning Board of Adjustment with reluctance and regret. R. Stern seconded the motion with all in favor.

Facility Use Requests:

The Board reviewed the request by Ann Beebe for the Jeremy Arsenault wedding at Fox Point, May 30th from 2-6pm. C. Iocovozzi moved to approve the wedding contingent on all Fire Chief requirements being met to allow emergency vehicles access to the Carriage House and area in general. Fifty cars are the maximum allowable at the Point for any event approved by the Board. R. Stern seconded the motion with all in favor.

J. Klanchesser noted that the Town of Rye had an Assembly permit and a Fire Department permit that may be of interest to the Board. He will forward these. The Board expressed interest in increasing the fees for the various halls as the maintenance costs are increasing. The Board asked that area Town function hall rental rates be researched and reported at the next meeting.

Old Business:

J. Stuart asked that M. Roy research the cost of a new u shaped table configuration for the deRochemont Room and report to the Board about this at the next meeting.

The Board discussed the importance at least a majority being involved in day to day decisions that would be a change in previously voted policy.

Frost Ban Waiver: R. Stern moved to allow 1 excavator and 2 containers to be brought to the Beane Property AFTER a driveway entrance was built before 7am the next morning. C. Iocovozzi seconded the motion and the vote was 2 in favor and 1 opposed. (J. Stuart opposed)

New Business:

C. Iocovozzi moved to appoint R. Stern as Chair of the Board of Selectmen. J. Stuart seconded the motion and the vote was 2-0-1 (R. Stern abstained)

J. Stuart moved to appoint R. Stern to the position of Selectmen's Planning Board representative. C. Iocovozzi seconded the motion and all were in favor.

The consensus of the Board was that all three Selectmen would take turns attending the Budget Committee meetings.

The Board directed M. Roy to draft a letter requesting all agendas and minutes to be forwarded to the Town Hall for posting on the Town website. This will allow residents to only have to look in one location for these documents.

C. Iocovozzi moved to enter into non-public session under RSA 91-A:3 II (a). J. Stuart seconded this with all in favor on a roll call vote.

C. Iocovozzi left the non-public session.

The Board returned from non-public session at 8:07pm

R. Stern moved to seal the minutes of the non-public indefinitely. J. Stuart seconded the motion with all in favor on a roll call vote.

R. Stern moved to unseal the non-public minutes of January 23, 2013 and March 8, 2015 to be released to legal counsel and to be resealed immediately, indefinitely and furthermore to strike out all names not at issue. J. Stuart seconded the motion. The vote was 2-0-1 (C. Iocovozzi abstained)

Adjournment: C. Iocovozzi moved to adjourn at 8:20pm. J. Stuart seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha S. Roy
Town Administrator