

Town of Newington, NH
Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes
Monday, August 27, 2018 Town Hall

Present: Chair Ted Connors, Selectman Mike Marconi, Selectman Ken Latchaw, Police Chief, Mike Bilodeau, Kevin Kelley, Building Inspector, Eric Weinrieb, Altus Engineering, Chris Cross, Jack O'Reilly, Martha Roy, Town Administrator and Eleanor Boy, Recorder.

T. Connors called the meeting to order at 4:29pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes Approval: M. Marconi moved to approve the minutes of August 20th, 2018. K. Latchaw seconded the motion with all in favor.

Manifest Approval: M. Marconi moved to approve the manifest for \$31,602.64 dated 8/21/2018. K. Latchaw seconded the motion with all in favor.

Carriage House Drainage: K. Latchaw asked if a drain could be put at the base of the hole before the backfill is put in to prevent any ground water from moving the rock foundation. K. Kelley thought that grading in the front of the building and rock placed on both sides of the building will prevent a lot of the water from coming into the building. E. Weinrieb explained that the majority of the run off comes from the roof; there is not a lot of ground water. E. Weinrieb will get an estimate for a bottom drainage pipe.

Jack O'Reilly explained that water is washing out the road at Fox Point. E. Weinrieb thought that a diversion log could fix the problem.

Little Bay Culvert Repair: A box culvert extension and headwalls on both sides of the culvert will be installed. The culvert and headwalls are being precast and will be installed as soon as finished.

Mike Marconi reviewed issues discussed at the Safety Meeting that he attended.

1. The Exit lights in the Town Hall should also be emergency lights.
2. All Town vehicles should have first aid kits in them
3. There should be an AED in every Town building.
4. A chain saw safety class should be scheduled.

Lot Adjacent to Old Parsonage/Lot 24-6, Deed Research:

The Selectmen received a letter from Chris Cross about a lot that is not on the town tax maps and owned by the Congregational Church. Deed research will be completed to double check ownership.

Committee Membership Review:

M. Marconi moved to amend the EDC bylaws to reflect that the Town Administrator and the Town Planner be non-voting advisory members only. Business members of the Committee can live out of town. The total membership of the committee should be from 3-12 members, 6 members should be residents and 2-3 should be from businesses in town.

Thank a Police Officer Day-September 16th: K. Latchaw moved to put a Thank you sign and blue ribbons on the trees in front of Town Hall on September 16th. M. Marconi seconded the motion with all in favor.

K. Latchaw asked M. Roy to put this information in the newsletter and announce it at Septemberfest.

Police Department Over Expenditure Request: K. Latchaw moved to allow the Police Department to over expend the education reimbursement expense line and take the extra money from the salary line. M. Marconi seconded the motion with all in favor.

Highway Plow Truck: There are problems with the backhoe. Discussion was held about purchasing a new backhoe. T. Connors asked that the Road Agent have a complete overhaul and safety check done to the backhoe before any decisions are made.

The Board and Road Agent discussed the purchase of a new plow truck. The 1997 plow truck needs to be replaced. M. Roy will research the State list to see what rucks are listed there and how much they are.

Road Paving/Construction Review:

M. Roy listed the current road paving projects:

1. Little Bay (newly reconstructed) Overlay-\$15,000
2. Little Bay grind and overlay from Transfer Station to Nimble Hill Road-\$45,000
3. Woodbury Ave.-\$284,000
4. Fire Department Parking Lot (remove and replace)-\$64,275
5. Cut & Patch the Police Department parking lot. (Price to be determined)

M. Roy will call Bell & Flynn to get dates for this work.

T. Connors shared information he read about elections and the Selectmen's roll. There will be training on the ballot machine September 5th. NH is the only state that mandates that only paper ballots will be used.

Industrial Corridor Road: Jack O'Reilly and Chris Cross discussed the proposed Industrial Corridor Road and the original negotiations. J. O'Reilly recalled the final agreement included the granting of a right of way to extend the industrial corridor to Gosling Road from Piscataqua Drive.

General Sullivan Bridge: Chris Cross asked about the status of the General Sullivan Bridge. In 2009 the Town's position was that they didn't support the bridge refurbishment. T. Connors asked that the bridge data be given to the Board of Selectmen, so they can evaluate it.

Adjournment: M. Marconi moved to adjourn at 5:47pm. K. Latchaw seconded the motion with all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor Boy
Recorder