

Town of Newington, NH  
Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes  
Monday, May 1, 2017 Town Hall

Chair Jan Stuart called the meeting to order at 6:01pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Present:** Chair Jan Stuart, Selectman Mike Marconi, Selectman Ted Connors, Jack O'Reilly, Ken Moody, Martha Roy, Town Administrator and Eleanor Boy, Recorder.

J. Stuart notified the audience that the public hearing is opened regarding ratifying Town Meeting voting results and public comment will be taken shortly.

**Minutes Approval:** T. Connors moved to approve the minutes of April 17, 2017. M. Marconi seconded the motion with all in favor.

**Manifest Approval:** T. Connors moved to approve the manifests of 4/18/17 in the amount of \$52,606.81 and 4/25/17 in the amount of \$28,041.44. M. Marconi seconded the motion with all in favor.

**Jerry Coogan:**

J. Coogan explained that the Planning Board is working on updating the Master Plan. The Department of Environmental Services is offering technical assistance for information gathering for the Master Plan. He requested that the Board of Selectmen authorize a one-time grant in the amount of \$7,500 for assistance with the Master Plan. **T. Connors moved to proceed with the grant application for technical assistance with the Master Plan and authorize the Chair to sign the grant. M. Marconi seconded the motion with all in favor.**

**Jack O'Reilly-Fox Point Fields, Storm Water Runoff:** J. O'Reilly explained that he is concerned about the manure placed on Fox Point fields by the farmer. He requested that a trench or catch basin be dug. Discussion ensued about the cow manure used on the field, spraying for ticks and the voucher program.

J. Stuart gave an update on the flagpole being installed by the Highway Department at Fox Point. She thanked J. O'Reilly for the flagpole donation.

**Recreation Voucher Program:** M. Marconi moved to accept the Recreation Department's guidelines for the Voucher Program for 2017. T. Connors seconded the motion with all in favor.

**Public Hearing-Ratification of voting results from Town Meeting 2017-**

J. Stuart asked for public comment regarding ratifying the voting results of the March 16<sup>th</sup> Town Meeting. No public attended and thus no comments were received. The Notice was posted in the Portsmouth Herald and Foster's Daily Democrat as well as the Town bulletin boards. The Selectmen stated they were in favor of ratifying the March 16<sup>th</sup> vote.

**T. Connors moved to legalize, ratify and confirm the results from the March 16, 2017 Town election. M. Marconi seconded the motion with all in favor.**

J. Stuart closed the Public Hearing at 6.36pm.

**Facility Use Requests:**

**M. Marconi moved to approve the following Facility Use requests:**

Rick Schauffler (US Fish & Wildlife Service)-deRochemont Room-GIS Training-Sept 12-14, 2017

Ondrea Hastings and Peter Mendros-OTH-Wedding-8/11 & 12/2017

**T. Connors seconded the motion with all in favor.**

**Appointments:**

**M. Marconi moved to approve the following appointments:**

Edna Mosher-Zoning Board of Adjustment, term expiration 4/30/2020

Elisabeth Connors-Election Official, term expiration 4/30/2018

Mary Wahl-Election Official, term expiration 4/30/2018

Lynda Bullock-Election Official, term expiration 4/30/2018

Suzanne Russell-Ballot Clerk, term expiration 4/30/2018

Margaret Lamson-Ballot Clerk, term expiration 4/30/2018

Gail Johnson-Ballot Clerk, term expiration 4/30/2018

Gail Welch-Ballot Clerk, term expiration 4/30/2018

Carol Bush-Ballot Clerk, term expiration 4/30/2018

Sandy Sweeney-Ballot Clerk, term expiration 4/30/2018

Sandy Westin-Ballot Clerk, term expiration 4/30/2018

Katherine Latchaw-Ballot Clerk, term expiration 4/30/2018

Cynthia Cross-Ballot Clerk, term expiration 4/30/2018

Lisa Bellman-Ballot Clerk, term expiration 4/30/2018

Tim Field-Fire Warden, term expiration 4/30/2020

Vince Taccetta, Dock Master, term expiration 4/30/2020

Dick Spinney, Fence Viewer, term expiration 4/30/2020

**T. Connors seconded the motion with all in favor.**

Rick Stern entered the meeting at 6:45pm.

**Selectmen Representative Appointments:** All three Selectmen will be the representatives to the Budget Committee. J. Stuart will serve as the representative for the Highway Safety Committee.

**Electric Supplier Bids:** T. Connors moved to accept the bid of ENH Power, for 36 months at a rate of .07369 and authorize the Chair to sign the contract. M. Marconi seconded the motion with all in favor.

JC Penney has requested that a Selectman attend their Grand Reopening, Friday May 5<sup>th</sup> at 10am. J. Stuart will attend.

Martial Arts studio would like to have a yard sale in their parking lot. The consensus of the Selectmen was that they don't object, there is no policy about it.

**Fox Point:** A trailer with recreation equipment is parked in front of the Carriage House at Fox Point. The Board asked M. Roy to have this moved. The Highway Department has moved all of the trailer contents, except the rink lights, into the Carriage House.

**Highway:** J. Stuart requested that a letter be sent to Len Thomas and the Highway Department telling them that they did an excellent job fixing the dirt road part of Fox Point. The Board appreciates it very much.

**Auditorium Floor:** The Board discussed the auditorium floor condition and letter to Brock's to rectify the problem immediately.

**Flag Pole at Fox Point:** Len Thomas and J. Stuart found the perfect spot for the flag pole. The Highway Department will also install solar lights so the flag will be lit at night.

T. Connors will talk to the Dock Master about improvements to the dock. He will also follow up with Pease about the clickers. The steps at Fox Point need to be fixed by the Highway Department.

The Board requested that Laura Coleman, Tax Collector, come to the next Selectmen's meeting that is scheduled for 5/22/17, to update the Selectmen on properties in arrears in Town.

**Adjournment:** M. Marconi moved to adjourn at 7:03pm. T. Connors seconded the motion with all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Eleanor Boy  
Recorder