

Town of Newington, NH
Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes
Monday, June 05, 2017 Town Hall

J. Stuart moved to enter into nonpublic session at 5:37pm per RSA 91-A: 3 II (b) & (e) followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. M. Marconi seconded the motion and all were in favor on a roll call vote.

The Board returned from the nonpublic session at 5:44pm.

M. Marconi moved to seal the non-public minutes indefinitely. T. Connors seconded the motion with all in favor on a roll call vote.

Chair Jan Stuart called the public meeting to order at 5:45pm.

Present: Chair Jan Stuart, Selectman Mike Marconi, Selectman Ted Connors, Building Inspector John Stowell, Thomas Hourihan, Rick Stern, Martha Roy, Town Administrator and Eleanor Boy, Recorder.

Minutes Approval: T. Connors moved to approve the minutes of May 22nd, 2017. M. Marconi seconded the motion with all in favor.

Manifest Approval: T. Connors moved to approve the manifests of 5/23/17 in the amount of \$25,784.21 and 5/30/2017 in the amount of \$16,265.72. M. Marconi seconded the motion with all in favor.

John Stowell, Building Inspector:

Alley Water Line-J. Stowell showed the Board the plans for the water line to the Alley subdivision. It is not clear if Portsmouth DPW will be completing the work or if they will subcontract the work to a separate company. He explained that the side of Fox Point Road would have to be cut at Beane Lane and all the way down for 500 feet towards Nimble Hill Road. J. Stowell said it was not possible for the line to be placed on the side of the road outside of the paved area. J. Stuart mentioned the letter from Eric Weinrieb outlining the concerns he has for the project. J. Stowell stated that there is a possibility of cost sharing on the project because of another subdivision that may be going in very close to this one. T. Connors asked if the water line could come in from Old Post Road. J. Stowell answered that this access from Old Post Road would require an easement on private property and the Planning Board doesn't allow that at this time.

T. Connors would like to know why they don't allow easements through private property. **M. Marconi moved to table approval of the water line until there is more information. T. Connors seconded the motion with all in favor.**

Tom Hourihan-Water Discussion/Lawn Issue: T. Hourihan stated that he is very concerned about the PFC levels in the well water in Newington. He believes that there is no safe level of PFCs and the Town of Newington shouldn't accept any PFCs in the water. T. Hourihan would like to be involved with this issue and volunteered to organize a committee to take action. T. Connors will meet with T. Hourihan at the end of June to discuss what action should be taken.

T. Hourihan also stated that his front lawn was dug up this winter from plowing and he would like it to be repaired. The Board will have Len Thomas, Road Agent, review this and get back to the Board with his suggestions.

John Stowell, Building Inspector: Building Maintenance:

Town Hall & Carriage House -J. Stowell and the Board discussed the next step to deal with the moisture problem at the Town Hall. Discussion ensued about gutters, sealing bricks, the French drains, a camera placed in the drains, digging a trench and installing new drains, changing the slope of the lawn and fixing the roof. It was decided that M. Roy would contact Eric Weinrieb, Altus Engineering, and ask him for his recommendations after reviewing both the Town Hall and the Carriage House.

Fox Point Storage Shed- The roof has been completed. New windows would cost approximately \$5,000. The Selectmen requested that J Stowell acquire two further quotes for replacement vinyl clad windows to match the color of the Carriage House. The siding would be about \$10,000 to replace. **T. Connors moved to replace the windows at the Fox Point shed in 2017 and then replace the siding in 2018. M. Marconi seconded the motion with all in favor.**

Industrial Zone Building Permits: J. Stowell discussed the importance of all industry in town attaining a building permit prior to starting construction. The Board was in full agreement with the importance of this. The Town attorney will be notified if there are any violations of this requirement.

J. Stowell stated that it is important that we have a regular check of each of the town buildings. M. Roy will insure this is taking place between the Highway Dept. and Fire Dept.

Appointments:

M. Marconi moved to approve the following appointments:

Victoria Eversman-Historic District Commission Alternate, term exp. 4/30/2020

T. Connors seconded the motion with all in favor.

Clicker Discussion: M. Marconi moved to allow 2 Nimble Hill Gate Clickers per household. T. Connors seconded the motion with all in favor.

The Board discussed continuing the “sound proofing” of Town Hall. The doors for the Executive Office and the deRochement Room need to be replaced.

M. Marconi moved to approve \$2,500 for continued sound proofing at the Town Hall. T. Connors seconded the motion with all in favor.

M. Roy is having a meeting with Portsmouth Deputy Public Works Director, Brian Goetz on Tuesday, June 6th. They will discuss the hydrant charges and the Alley Subdivision water line extension. M. Marconi will attend this meeting.

Osh Kosh Plow and Sander: Len Thomas received two quotes for approximately \$68,000 each for the Oshkosh plow and sander. The Board would like to have a work session with L. Thomas to discuss the truck and projects. A work order would have to be placed by August to have the truck ready for the Winter of 2017-2018. The Town is not taking over Woodbury Ave. plowing until the winter of 2019.

Newington Signs: M Marconi moved to approve 2 Neiwngton Welcome Signs with granite posts at a cost of \$7,100. T. Connors seconded the motion with all in favor.

Adjournment: M. Marconi moved to adjourn at 8:04pm. T. Connors seconded the motion with all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor Boy
Recorder