

Town of Newington, NH
Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes
Monday, August 6, 2018 Town Hall

Present: Chair Ted Connors, Selectman Mike Marconi, Selectman Ken Latchaw, Marybeth Walker, Corcoran Consulting, Jay Ferreira, Corcoran Consulting, Martha Roy, Town Administrator, Len Thomas, Road Agent, Jack O'Reilly and Eleanor Boy, Recorder.

T. Connors called the meeting to order at 4:00pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes Approval: M. Marconi moved to approve the minutes of July 12th and July 25th, 2018. Further approve the minutes of July 16, 2018 with correction: "the Planning Board Chair would be invited by the Building Inspector, Town Administrator or Planner". K. Latchaw seconded the motion with all in favor.

Manifest Approval: M. Marconi moved to approve the manifests of 7/17/18 in the amount of \$76,109.89, 7/24/2018 in the amount of \$44,758.95 and 7/31/2018 in the amount of \$309,508.25.

K. Latchaw seconded the motion with all in favor.

M. Marconi moved to go into a nonpublic session at 4:05pm per RSA 91-A:3 II (c). K. Latchaw seconded the motion with all in favor on a roll call vote.

The Board returned from the nonpublic session at 5:05pm.

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

Len Thomas, Road Agent Woodbury Ave.-Road Maintenance and Plowing Plan-Winter 2019-2020: Len Thomas told the Selectmen that Renaud Trucking is plowing in Portsmouth with a grader this winter. He will ask them if they could just keep going and plow the Newington side of Woodbury. L. Thomas thought that they would only need the help in a big storm. T. Connors asked if the Town should contract out Woodbury or have the Highway Department do it. L. Thomas thought that his crew could handle Woodbury just as they handled Shattuck Way. L. Thomas thought that they would only need 2 trucks for a regular storm. The Oshkosh truck will be back from Maine by the middle of September. T. Connors does not feel confident with the current plan and feels the Town should contract out the plowing of Woodbury. M. Marconi added that the Town bought the OshKosh truck for the plowing of Woodbury, so we should at least try it out for one winter. M. Marconi asked L. Thomas if he would be

comfortable with contracting out Woodbury. T. Connors suggested that we have a budget work session in September for the Highway/Woodbury budget to plan for the Winter of 2019-2020.

Facility Use Request:

M. Marconi moved to approve the following request:

Recreation Committee-Holiday Light Party-TH-December 9th, 12pm-8pm.

K. Latchaw seconded the motion with all in favor.

Budget Review Schedule: M. Roy presented the budget review schedule for the Board's review. The Cemetery will be reviewed at 7pm on September 24th.

M. Marconi moved to adopt the budget review schedule as presented with the Cemetery budget review time as noted. K. Latchaw seconded the motion with all in favor.

Payments in Lieu of Taxes-Federal Property: M. Roy explained that many towns across the United States are joining a class action lawsuit about the Federal Government not paying enough payment in lieu of taxes funds to the Towns and Counties with federal property in their boundaries. Newington has the Great Bay Wildlife Refuge that is part of this program. There is no cost to the Town to join the lawsuit. **M. Marconi moved to approve Newington joining the class action lawsuit. K. Latchaw seconded the motion with all in favor.**

USAF Request Pipeline Removal-Acceptance Letter: **M. Marconi moved to authorize T. Connors to sign the acceptance letter. K. Latchaw seconded the motion with all in favor.**

K. Latchaw asked when the Town is going to be putting the Town services out for bid. M. Roy told him, in the fall.

M. Marconi asked about the Fox Point rental house. M. Roy stated that the renters had moved out on August 1st. K. Kelley is getting quotes to have the roof redone and the carpet replaced or repaired. M. Roy has asked L. Thomas to power wash the outside vinyl. L Thomas stated that the Highway crew can do this project.

M. Marconi asked about the progress on the Carriage House drainage. K. Kelly has received two quotes. Chris-Co was the lowest bid. M. Roy will reach out to C. Iocovozzi to see if he knows the timeline to complete this project.

Adjournment: **M. Marconi moved to recess at 5:36 pm, until 6pm for the Public Hearing. K. Latchaw seconded the motion with all in favor.**

M. Marconi moved to come back in session at 6pm. K. Latchaw seconded the motion with all in favor.

T. Connors opened the Public Hearing about the Noise Ordinance at 6pm.

T. Connors read two letters that the Selectmen had received about the Noise Ordinance, one from Lulu Pickering and one from Samara Robertson. They both reflected about positives and negatives of a noise ordinance.

T. Connors read the rules of the Public Hearing.

Many town residents spoke about the Noise Ordinance; almost all were opposed. At one point Linda Iocovozzi asked everyone to stand that was opposed to the ordinance and almost everyone in the room stood.

T. Connors thanked everyone for coming out and speaking.

T. Connors closed the Public Hearing at 6:28pm.

Adjournment: M. Marconi moved to adjourn at 6:28pm. K. Latchaw seconded the motion with all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor Boy
Recorder