

Town of Newington, NH  
Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes  
Monday, September 17th, 2018 Town Hall

**Present:** Chair Ted Connors, Selectman Mike Marconi, Selectman Ken Latchaw, Fire Engineers; Ruth Fletcher and Jack O'Reilly, Fire Chief, Andy Head, Finance Director, Cindy Saklad and Martha Roy, Town Administrator.

T. Connors called the meeting to order at 2:30pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**M. Marconi moved to go into a nonpublic session at 2:31pm per RSA 91-A:3 II (a & c). K. Latchaw seconded the motion and T. Connors asked for a roll call vote: M. Marconi- Yes, K. Latchaw- Yes, T. Connors- Yes. All were in favor.**

The Board returned from the nonpublic session at 3:07pm.

**M. Marconi moved to seal the non-public minutes indefinitely. K. Latchaw seconded the motion and T. Connors asked for a roll call vote: M. Marconi- Yes, K. Latchaw- Yes, T. Connors- Yes. All were in favor.**

**Minutes Approval:** M. Marconi moved to approve the minutes of September 4<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018. K. Latchaw seconded the motion with all in favor.

**Manifest Approval:** M. Marconi moved to approve the manifest for \$23,323.96 dated 9/11/2018. K. Latchaw seconded the motion with all in favor.

**Waterfront Emergency Response Plan Update:** Mike Marconi updated the Board of Selectmen on the work being done to update the Waterfront Emergency Response Plan. Fire Chief Andy Head stated that this is an evacuation plan should an emergency occur. It is funded by Sea-3.

**Eversource Seacoast Reliability Public Hearing Notice:** The Selectmen reviewed the SEC notice re: the Seacoast Reliability Power Line Construction. K. Latchaw moved to send out an email and postal mailer to all residents. M. Marconi seconded the motion with all in favor.

**Budget Committee Selectmen's Representative and Schedule:** M. Marconi volunteered to be the Board of Selectmen's representative to the Budget Committee.

**Plow Truck-State Bid Review:** M. Marconi asked if Road Agent Len Thomas could view the truck listed on the State Bid List within the next week and report back to the Board of Selectmen.

**South Newington Welcome Sign Location:** M. Marconi moved to approve the development of an easement and view easement for the Welcome Sign in South Newington. K. Latchaw seconded the motion with all in favor.

**Clothing Hopper at the Transfer Station:** The Board of Selectmen was in consensus to approve the new clothing hopper from EcoSmith at the Transfer Station.

Senator Hassan's and Senator Shaheen's offices would like to meet with the Board of Selectmen about the water study. M. Roy will coordinate the date.

M. Roy will get an update on the Little Bay culvert and let the Board know the status.

The highway backhoe has been repaired and it is back in service.

The Board of Selectmen discussed the Seacoast Helicopter site plan review public hearing on September 20<sup>th</sup> at 8am. K. Latchaw will attend the meeting.

**M. Marconi moved to go into a nonpublic session at 3:35pm per RSA 91-A:3 II (a & c).** J. O'Reilly questioned whether it was necessary to go into a nonpublic meeting. M. Roy explained that discussion would be about a personnel and reputation issue. T. Connors offered to not go into a nonpublic meeting if that is what J. O'Reilly preferred. J. O'Reilly agreed to go into a nonpublic session. **K. Latchaw seconded the motion and T. Connors asked for a roll call vote: M. Marconi- Yes, K. Latchaw- Yes, T. Connors- Yes. All were in favor.**

The Board returned from the nonpublic session at 4:15pm.

**M. Marconi moved to seal the non-public minutes indefinitely. K. Latchaw seconded the motion and T. Connors asked for a roll call vote: M. Marconi- Yes, K. Latchaw- Yes, T. Connors- Yes. All were in favor.**

The Selectmen asked for the Engineers input so that they can respond to the audit.

T. Connors read a recent post by Jack O'Reilly on the Newington resident Facebook page (see attached) about the US Postal Service not delivering a Recreation Committee mailer to all of the houses in Newington. J. O'Reilly

stated that he would remove the post, so people don't contact the Town Hall about the issue. Residents should call the Post Office directly to complain.

The Selectmen authorized M. Roy to negotiate with Bell & Flynn to pave the Police Department parking lot.

**Adjournment: M. Marconi moved to adjourn at 4:40pm. K. Latchaw seconded the motion with all in favor.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Martha Roy  
Town Administrator

**Jack O'Reilly** There was a postcard printed and given to the Post Office with a designation that means to deliver to all mailboxes. The people on my street didn't receive it either. I recommend that the town hall be bombarded with calls demanding they do something about this. I don't think this is an isolated incident. 436-7640