

Town of Newington, NH
Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes
Monday, August 10, 2015 Town Hall

Chair Rick Stern called the meeting to order at 6:36pm

Present: Chair Rick Stern, Selectman Cosmas Iocovozzi, Selectman Jan Stuart, Road Agent Len Thomas and Martha Roy, Town Administrator.

Manifest Approval: J. Stuart moved to approve the manifests dated 7/28/15 in the amount of \$43,934.47 and 8/4/15 in the amount of \$209,898.01.

R. Stern seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Meeting House Repairs: The Board discussed the need for the ceiling of the Meeting House tower to be refurbished before the other electrical and drainage issues are repaired. John Stowell is working on this.

Minutes: C. Iocovozzi moved to approve the July 27, 2015 minutes. R. Stern seconded the motion with two in favor and one abstention. The motion passed.

Solar Light For Sign at Fire Station: Only one quote was received. R. Stern will ask John Stowell if he solicited others to bid on the light. R. Stern moved to approve the bid contingent on other companies having been asked to bid. C. Iocovozzi seconded the motion with all in favor.

Emergency Operations Plan: C. Iocovozzi moved to accept the Emergency Operations Plan for 2015. J. Stuart seconded the motion with all in favor.

Naming of Street-Nathanial Drive: C. Iocovozzi moved to name the new street Nathanial Lane. J. Stuart seconded the motion with all in favor.

Bids for Railings at the Transfer Station: This item was tabled by the Board pending further research.

Facility Usage Requests:

J. Stuart moved to approve the following Facility Usage requests:

Gail Pare, Town Yard Sale, 9/19/15, OTH.

Northstar Church (Laura Coleman), 8/29 & 8/30/15, OTH & Grove

C. Iocovozzi seconded the motion with all in favor.

Old Business:

Fire Department Computer Policy-Exceptions: C. Iocovozzi moved to change the last proposed sentence to read: "In the case of the Fire Department, all access to the department's computers and property require the Board of Fire Engineers to be notified. It is understood that HIPAA law will be followed." R. Stern seconded the motion with all in favor.

Fuel Quotes-Propane, Oil, Diesel, Gas: The Board requested further quotes. This item was tabled by the Board until a later date.

Half Year Budget Review: The Board reviewed the revenues and expenditures of the budget and all were found to be in order.

Speeding Commuter Traffic on Newington and McIntyre Roads: The Board directed that a letter of their concern regarding the speeding commuter traffic be sent to the Police Commission. They would like suggestions for all methods to slow the traffic. M. Roy will draft a letter for the Board.

The Board noted that in the minutes of the Police Commission an employee was approved for a larger amount of longevity pay than is allowed in the Personnel Policies. The Board consensus was that this would not be permitted.

M. Roy was directed to send out another reminder, from the Board to Commissions, regarding the importance of having all agendas and minutes posted on the Town website.

New Business:

Police Over Expenditure: J. Stuart moved to approve the Police Over Expenditure. C. Iocovozzi seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Working Dog Foundation Request: This item was tabled until the 2010 cruiser bids are due in.

Tax Abatement: C. Iocovozzi moved to abate the amount outlined by the Tax Collector in her memo dated August 10, 2015 re: Bugaboo Creek property. R. Stern seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Deer Discussion: C. Iocovozzi expressed concern about the number of deer on McIntyre and Newington Roads. J. Stuart requested no action at this time.

Highway: J. Stuart moved to award the McIntyre Road paving project to Bell & Flynn and further to use the Major Road work fund for this purpose. C. Iocovozzi seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Road Agent L. Thomas discussed the salt bid from Morton Salt. He noted there is still \$12,000 in the salt budget line for 2015. **C. Iocovozzi moved to authorize Rick Stern to sign the Morton salt contract and the Road Agent to order salt with the remaining funds in that budget for 2015. J. Stuart seconded the motion and all were in favor.**

L. Thomas reported that the 1997 truck is out of service. **The Board approved mileage for L. Thomas's personal truck and directed that magnetic signs be made to attach to the doors of his truck by consensus.**

Town Planner Supervisor: The Board confirmed their past agreement that the Planning Board Chair was the Supervisor of the Town Planner and the Town Administrator is the day-to-day Supervisor.

Adjournment: C. Iocovozzi moved to adjourn at 7:52pm. J. Stuart seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha S. Roy
Town Administrator