

LYNDEBOROUGH BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES
May 11, 2016
Final

Members Present: Chairman Lee Mayhew, Selectman Fred Douglas and Selectman Mark Schultz

Staff Present: Town Administrator Russ Boland and Town Clerk Trish Schultz

Public Present: Jim Button, Burton Reynolds, Sharon Boisvert and Larry Boisvert

Media Present: None

Recorder: Kathleen Humphreys

Chairman Mayhew called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Consent Agenda:

Review and signing of consent agenda items

- a. Sally Curran Appointment as Deputy Treasurer
- b. AP Warrant 5/12/2016
- c. Payroll 5/12/2016
- d. Purchase Order 80297 Final Airpack Payment
- e. Intent to Cut 15-249-03
- f. Intent to Cut 15-279-04
- g. NH Municipal Bond Bank Agreement
- h. Timber Tax Yield 15-279-16

VOTE: Selectman Schultz made a motion, Selectman Douglas seconded, to accept the consent agenda items. Motion passed 3-0-0.

New Business:

Wilton/Lyndeborough Ambulance Employee Recognition

T/A Russ Boland will attend and represent the Board at the recognition ceremony.

Selectman Douglas mentioned problems with late ambulance minutes which also listing incorrect meeting nights. He would like more notice for upcoming meetings.

Appointments:

6:05pm: Non-Public: RSA 91-A:3II (c) Larry and Sharon Boisvert

VOTE: Selectman Douglas made a motion, Selectman Schultz seconded, to go into non-public RSA 91-A:3II(c) relative to reputation at 6:05pm. Came out of non-public at 6:32pm.

Community Forum:

None

New Business Continued:

Bond Post Issuance Policy

Bond Counsel outlined a Post Bond Issuance Policy. The policy is important for communities that do frequent bonds. The cost would be \$450-600 in addition to the \$5,000 for the Bond Counsel.

VOTE: Selectman Schultz moved, Selectman Douglas to table it indefinitely. Motion passed 3-0.

Memorial Day Dedication of the light at Center Hall

T/B Boland had a conversation with Clayton Brown and Walter Holland in regards to the lamp and plaque dedication for Veteran Warren "Shinner" Murdough on Memorial Day at Center Hall. Mr. Brown invited Mr. Murdough's daughter to attend. The Board inquired if the Browns will write a statement which could be read by the Browns, a Selectman or Captain Holland.

Old Business:

Finalize Agenda with Wilton Selectman

- Transfer station: What is the plan if another town leaves?
- Goss Park: Accountability.
- School Board's Error: Would like to have a discussion about the errors over the past three years and inquire if Wilton has the same problems and concerns.
- Ambulance: Where they are going and what they are doing?
- How the two towns interact.
- Talk about things that affect their jurisdiction.

Chairman Mayhew will write a letter to the Wilton Board of Selectman.

Joint Multiple Board Training: June 9, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. at the Citizens' Hall.

The Planning Board, BOS, Conservation Commission and ZBA are invited to meet with Attorney Dresher and were asked to submit questions. The Budget Committee has been notified.

Town Administrator's Report

-The Fire Department has successfully campaigned for a thermal imaging camera and returned the borrowed camera to the New Boston Fire Department. The town would like to thank New Boston for their generous loan of the thermal imaging camera.

VOTE: Selectman Douglas made a motion, Selectman Schultz seconded to allow the town administrator to donate \$100 to the New Boston Fire Department. Passed 3-0.

-Bond approval letter and bond commitment needed signatures.

-Burton Reynolds spearheaded the effort to unwind the school error problem and the office would like to thank him for his time and expertise.

VOTE: Selectman Douglas made a motion, Chairman Mayhew seconded to give Burton Reynolds a \$100 gift card to thank him for his time and expertise spearheading the effort to unwind the school problem. Motion passed 3-0.

-The Mountain Road contract will be received electronically from Kingsbury Construction over the weekend to study with a hard copy coming next week. Kingsbury mentioned in order to meet the deadlines they might do sections 1 and 4 together.

-Aflac would like to meet with the employees to discuss if their supplemental insurance. The Board agreed that letter should go to the town then be disbursed to employees as a voluntary issue. Employees can elect to purchase the insurance if they wish but are not obligated.

7:00 p.m. Appointment: Kris Henry, Conservation Commission.

Resident Kris Henry would like to be appointed to the Conservation Commission and give back to the community.

Last year Mr. Henry helped organize the Rose Mountain Rumble Bike Ride which raised money and awareness. He believes that cyclists are good land Stewarts. He feels that access and trails are important plus open space is valuable. He is a mountain biker.

Selectman Douglas asked Mr. Henry about his philosophy regarding conservation in general and what activities should be permissible. Mr. Henry replied he understands it's the landowner's wishes and it should be in-line with the town's overall plans. He understands there is a long history of horseback riding, hiking, hunting and fishing in town. Wheeled vehicles cause problems with the trails. He said it boils down to how the easement is written and to help educate the landowner how to write it.

Mr. Henry has been in contact with the new owners of the former Swartz property on Winn Mountain. The property was posted but Mr. Henry has permission to use it. The Selectmen and Mr. Henry had a discussion about the easy access for motorize vehicles to the property and tossed around ideas to ease the problem such as redirecting traffic, new trails, and limit the line of sight to the house from the access point. Mr. Henry agreed to help establish a meeting with the landowners to work through the concerns.

The Rose Mountain Rumble is schedule for Aug. 27, 2016.

7:20pm Appointment: Burton Reynolds School Funding Discussion

Burton Reynolds reviewed the school budget to help sort out the error. A letter was received stating the school district is set to make the suggested changes. Chairman Mayhew noted this is the third year in a row there has been an error.

Mr. Reynolds stated he would be happy to sit down and work with employee (Lise) so she is clear on how the process works. He said the town should still do their due diligence and it's important to check the figures and the percentages.

He also mentioned that the surplus number was on the back side of the form so he could see how it might be missed. The question on the equalized value and what year's numbers to use was of concern because the Articles of Agreement specifies to use the most current year's numbers. That is not what the Dept. of Education did when they set the tax rate for the town's portions. Mr. Reynolds had a conversation with the town's contact at the Dept. of Education who said there are reasons they don't use the most current year. Once the tax rate is set and the percentages the Dept. of Education uses; it can't be changed or one town will pay too much and the other too little.

T/A Boland mentioned Superintendent Tyrie visited this morning and looked at the information and verified they made a mistake.

The Board thanked Burton Reynolds and Russ Boland for their concerns and efforts.

Jim Button is on the School Board and said he missed the April meeting which related to plowing the schools. He felt the town has the equipment, manpower and have historically plowed the schools. The process on how Wilton came up with their cost to plow the schools was discussed at length. The Board informed him they were notified by the school to review their costs. The road agent and town administrator went back six years and looked at NH DOT records to determine 19 events and made their calculations from that number. There were concerns with how Wilton came up with their figures.

The discussion turned to the school district meeting last year where they wanted to purchase a truck to plow the schools. Mr. Button felt the school district should not be in the plowing business. Chairman Mayhew asked if the road that goes up to the Wilton-Lyndeborough Coop is a municipal road. Mr. Button believes it is and noted the School District rebuild the driveway.

Mr. Button plans to meet with School Budget Committee and get their advice on how to fund this expense. Chairman Mayhew felt it's a simple question of if it should be funded or general maintenance. The Selectmen would like to know how the Wilton Road Agent came up that number.

Mr. Button asked if the Town of Lyndeborough would be okay if the plowing cost comes out of operating cost. The Board will give it some thought and talk to the road agent to hear his concerns. The Selectmen asked T/A Boland to call the town's DRA auditor on his matter.

Non-Public:

VOTE: Selectman Douglas made a motion, Selectman Schultz seconded, to go into non-public RSA 91-A:3II (c) relative to reputation at 8:10pm. Non-public ended at 9:00 p.m.

VOTE: Selectman Schultz moved, Chairman Mayhew seconded, to appoint Kris Henry as an alternate member of the Conservation Commission and to elevate Greg Kreider to full membership of the Conservation Commission. Motion passed 3-0.

All scheduled items having been addressed, the public meeting was adjourned at 9:05pm.

Date:

Kathleen Humphreys, Transcriber

Chairman Lee Mayhew

Selectman Fred Douglas

Selectman Mark Schultz

Approved by the Board of Selectmen on May 25, 2016