

Town of Winchester 1 Richmond Road Winchester, NH 03470

Minutes of the Board of Selectmen Meeting

Wednesday April 10, 2019

<u>Board members present</u>: Roberta Heinonen, Ben Kilanski and Jack Marsh. Also, present Dale Gray, Chief Tollett, Captain Ford and Rick Meleski.

First order of business: Minutes

The board reviews the minutes of 4-3-19 for approval. Selectman Kilanski makes a motion to approve the minutes. Selectman Marsh seconds the motion. The motion carries 2-0-1.

Second order of business: Public Hearing & New Business

The Board has a public hearing tonight for the purpose of reviewing & adjusting the fine section of the Parking Ordinance. Selectman Kilanski makes a motion to open the public hearing. Selectman Marsh seconds the motion. The motion carries 3-0. Chief Tollett spoke on behalf of the changes to the parking ordinance. The fines currently are not cost affective. The Chief recommends increasing the 1st offense to \$20.00 and the 2nd offence to \$40.00. Mike Coope asked the Chief how they manage the two hour parking limit. Do you use chalk to mark the tires? Chief stated that they would use chalk, but we really do not have an issue with the two hour parking. The changes to the ordinance are mostly for the no parking areas. Selectman Kilanski makes a motion to close the public hearing. Selectman Marsh seconds the motion. The motion carries 3-0. Selectman Kilanski makes a motion adopt the change to the parking ordinance/fines. Selectman Marsh seconds the motion. The motion carries 3-0.

Intent to excavate was submitted for map 1 lot 81-Cook.

7 recommended & 1 not recommended Veterans Tax Exemption application have been received for: Denis Boudreau, James Ramsey, Lawrence Giard, Gary Blank, John Riedell Jr., Paul Janey, Robert Green Jr. & Robert Szetela who doesn't qualify (not a resident). Selectman Kilanski makes a motion to approve the 7 Veterans applications and deny the 1 application. Selectman Marsh seconds the motion. The motion carries 3-0.

There will be a Community Ice Cream Social April 13th @ the VFW from 1-4pm. Learn about the many programs the VFW & Auxiliary offer. The Winchester police dept will provide fingerprinting kits & the Winchester fire dept will provide basic fire safety & first aid.

Selectman Kilanski made a motion to approve the oath of office for RED Committee members: Devon Snikeris, Denis Murphy II, Patricia Dixe & Jeanne Van Patten. Emergency Management: Richard Lapoint Sr. & Herbert Stephens. Selectman Marsh seconds the motion. The motion carries 3-0.

Selectman Heinonen read a letter that was sent to Rick & the Winchester Wastewater Treatment Plant congratulating Rick for receiving the 2018 Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant Excellence Award from the United States Environmental Protection New England.

Selectman Kilanski made a motion to approve a timber tax for McLoud-\$321.92, Ruth-\$2,328.24, Stone Mt-\$541.35 & Dyer-\$1,544.55. Selectman Marsh seconds the motion. The motion carries 4-0.

Intent to cut was submitted for map 15 lot 1-Ruth & map 9 lot 54-Wolf Creek.

State of NH-BTLA will be holding a hearing on the appeal of George & Mei-Ling Henrichson property Tax Assessment on July 30^{th} .

The Governors Council approved the funding for the Back Ashuelot Cranberry Culvert in the amount of \$215,488. The project is now out to bid until April 29th.

The board reviews and approves the following financial documents:

Selectman Kilanski made a motion to approve the water capital reserve withdrawal in the amount of \$4,500.00 to Tata & Howard for the assessment management project. Selectman Marsh seconds the motion. The motion carries 3-0.

Selectman Kilanski makes a motion to reimburse Police outside activity fund in the amount of \$525.20, \$1,841.19 & \$2,115.21. Selectman Marsh seconds the motion. The motion carries 3-0.

Selectman Kilanski makes a motion to pay the Forest Fire payroll in the amount of \$66.64, \$325.56 & \$104.90. Selectman Marsh seconds the motion. The motion carries 3-0.

Third order of business Board comment:

N/A

Fourth order of business Public comment:

Rick Meleski let the board know that the pre-bid meeting for Jones Rd went well. There were 2 Bidders at the meeting. Rick advise the board that he is interested in looking to possibly purchasing Ferguson fire hydrants. He has a demo April 25th @ 11am. The pricing looks to be cheaper than FW Webb & EJP. Selectman Kilanski asked if other towns were using these hydrants. Rick stated yes across the country and Keene has some.

Mike Coope asked if we could have the letter Maggie Hassan sent published. Maybe as a letter to the editor.

Selectman Heinonen asked Selectman Kilanski if he was done with typing the personnel policy. Selectman Kilanski stated almost should have it done in 2 weeks.

Ken Cole stated he was concerned with the Civil Forfeitures and asked the Chief to speak on it. Chief stated that the Civil forfeitures has always been a part of the parking ordinance. The forfeiture allows them to take someone to court if the fines are not paid. The only change to the ordinance is increasing the fees. Ken thanked the Chief and wanted to thank the officer that returned his dog that was loose.

Chief Tollett handed out to the board report/statistics for March 2019.

Fifth order of business: Nonpublic under RSA 91-A:3II (a)(b)(c)(d)(e)

Selectman Marsh makes a motion to enter nonpublic session under (e). Selectman Kilanski seconds the motion. The motion carries 3-0. A roll call vote was taken, and members vote "yes" individually, and the board convenes in non-public at 7:31 pm.

Sixth order of business: Adjournment

The board reconvenes in public session at 7:44 pm.

Selectman Kilanski makes a motion to seal the minutes under e. Selectman Marsh seconds the motion. The motion carries 3-0.

Selectman Kilanski makes a motion to adjourn at 7:46pm. Selectman Marsh seconds the motion. The motion carries 3-0.

Minutes respectfully submitted:

Karey Miner, Administrator

Minutes signed by:

Roberta Heinonen, Chairman

Carey Miner, Administrator

United States Senate

March 27, 2019

Dear Mr. Meleski and the Winchester Wastewater Treatment Facility,

Congratulations to you and the Town of Winchester on receiving the 2018 Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant Excellence Award from the United States Environmental Protection New England and thank you for your dedication to improving water quality.

Ensuring the health of our waterways is critical to the well-being of our families, vibrant communities, and a thriving economy. We have made important strides thanks to the efforts of our communities, the development of sound public policy, and critical public-private partnerships that work toward keeping our rivers clean and our lakes pristine, but there is, as you know, more to do. We must continue working together to address water quality issues and to protect the beautiful natural resources that make our state a special place to live, work, visit, and raise a family.

Once again, congratulations on receiving this well-deserved award and thank you for your commitment to ensuring that our communities, residents, and businesses have access to clean water. I look forward to continuing to work together to build a cleaner, healthier, and safer New Hampshire where all of our people and businesses can grow and thrive.

With every good wish,

Margaret Wood Hassan United States Senator

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March 2019 Statistics

Public Safety	
Mental Patient	3
Suspicious Veh/Person	3
Suspicious Person/Prowler	3
Unwanted Subject	3
Drug Case	3
Fire Call	3
Juvenile Offenses	3
Warrant Service	3
TOTAL	24

Traffic Safety	
Assist motorist	5
Abandoned vehicle	3
DUI	2
MVA	2
MVA w/ Injury	1
Hit and Run	1
Road Hazard	1
Manner of Operation	9
Motor Vehicle Stops	266
Parking Problem	4
TOTAL	294

Citizen Assist	
Lost Person	1
Missing Child	1
Animal Complaint	20
Assist Citizen-General	27
Child Custody Issue	1
Welfare Checks	8
Landlord/Tenant Dispute	1
Lockout	2
Lost/Found Poperty	3
Vin Verification	6
TOTAL	70

Administration	
General	4
Assist Other Agency	6
Building Checks	26
Follow Up Call	49
Police Information	1
Paper Service	44
Repo	1
Serve Restraining Order	1
Town Water/Sewer Problem	1
TOTAL	133

Assault	2
Theft	5
Harassing Communications	3
Criminal Threatening	4
Violation of Petition	1
TOTAL	15

Crimes Against Property		
Burglary	3	
Burglar Alarm	3	
Criminal Mischief/Vandalism	3	
Illegal Dumping	1	
Open Door/Window	1	
Criminal Trespassing	2	
TOTAL	13	

Emergency Calls	
Ambulance Call	47
Unattended Death	2
Suicide Threat/Attempt	3
Domestic Disturbance	9
911 Hangup	5
Disturbance	3
TOTAL	69

Arrests	
2	
7	
7	
1	
17	

Total Calls for March 2019	
Public Safety	24
Traffic Safety	294
Citizen Assist	70
Administration	133
Emergency Calls	69
Crimes Against Persons	15
Crimes Against Property	13
Arrests	17
Total Calls for March 2019	618

Mike T. Tollett Chief of Police