

**TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN**

September 07, 2010 Minutes

Present: Francis Muzzey, Randy Morrison, Steve Davis, Catherine Stover

Also Present: Chief Kevin Kay, Larry King, Ellie Murray, Gini Gove, Palmer Koelb, Paula Davis

Francis moved to open the meeting at 6:00 pm, seconded by Randy, and approved.

Chief Kay reported that the Police Department is very busy, and there were 2 Warrants issued last week. He also informed the attendees that he met with the Selectmen and had a Non-Public meeting last week concerning issues that could not be discussed in a public meeting. He did share those parts of the meeting which could be shared with the public such as the warrants issued (one including impersonating an officer) and unlicensed dogs. He requested that he be able to post forms on the web such as Pistol permits, Bad check forms, House check forms Business and residential Contact form, all of which will be fillable PDF files. The Board requested that he forward them on to the office and that we check with the web master regarding the amount of work involved to do so. Chief Kay informed the Board that the Police Department has now got a Facebook page and Twitter domain. He will update the Board with the addresses of these sites at the next meeting.

Chief Kay and the Selectmen discussed the Police Department's budget status. At this time, they are on track, and are not over budget.

The Board discussed the Highway Department/Atwell Hill Project. They would like the Road Agent, Bobby Cass, to come in weekly during the project to give the Board status updates on the project. Francis Muzzey stated that he understands that the excavator has currently used 59 of the allotted 160 rental hours. At this time, for the current week, the Board stated that both Bobby and Randy Rugar are authorized to work 50/hrs so as to give maximum use of the rental. They will revisit this issue next week. Steve stated that he has gone up to the project nearly every day, and feels good progress is being made. Randy Rugar will finish training Frank Karcher this week, and will be working starting next week fulltime for the Highway Department.

Francis inquired about the potential of removing some incline/uneven pavement on the Atwell Hill road during this project. There is rock is across the road, and they would need to pound it out. Steve responded that the concerns at this time are the cost, time and feasibility involved. Steve feels that this project is within scope, but there are other issues that will still need to be addressed. The Board will discuss with Bobby next week.

Because elections will be held on Tuesday, September 14th, the regularly scheduled meeting that is usually held at the Town offices will be held at the Wentworth School, to meet in the Gym at 6 pm. The Board will be available during the election hours on Tuesday from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Steve Davis inquired about the recent ads to ad placed in Salmon Press in regards to the checklist ad. Paula Davis stated that she had requested the ad run for 3 weeks. Salmon Press published 2 weeks, but not the third. Paula will call the office and give the dates of publish.

The Board discussed removal/discontinuation of container owned by Central Metals (CMR Metals). The Board would like to have Central Metals remove their container by the end of the month. The Board discussed using the services of Witcher out of Warren in regards to recycled metals effective the end of the month. The Board of Selectmen will contact Witcher for a start date.

Steve Davis stated that he would like to inquire what/when reimbursement the town will get and would like an update in the case of State v. Linda Brown. He wondered whether residents who were impacted by Linda's action did or will get letters of apology as well, and also would like a status update from the Department of Corrections. Motioned by Steve, seconded by Randy and approved to obtain a status update.

Steve Davis motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 pm seconded and approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine Stover

Minutes accepted by _____, _____, and _____

TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN

September 14, 2010 Minutes

Present: Francis Muzzey, Steve Davis, Catherine Stover

Also Present: Chief Kevin Kay, Bobby Cass, Chip Strata, Derek Randall, Paula Davis, Donna King, Deb Vlk, Ellie Murray

Francis motioned to open the meeting at 6 pm seconded by Steve and approved. Due to Elections, the meeting was held at the Wentworth Elementary School. (Notice of this location change of location was posted)

Bobby Cass gave an update regarding the Highway Department. The addition to the Highway Garage is nearing completion, and he has been told by Neil Borger (Southview Construction) that they anticipate the project might be completed by end of the week.

Bobby stated that Larry will be coming in tomorrow to work, and that Randy will be gone attending the Solid Waste class for the day. Bobby requested that Larry be allowed to work for the Highway Department on the Atwell Hill project on Thursday and Friday. The board stated that they approve Larry working on Thursday, but do not want the Highway Department working on Friday, as this would be overtime, and at this time, they would like to avoid overtime. Bobby stated the excavator has logged 89 hours to date of the 160 hours we have contracted.

Steve stated his concerns of paving this winter. Bobby stated that as soon as he finishes the excavation, he will begin working the culverts on his way back down the hill. Bobby assured the Board that based on the current status of the project; he can have it completed well before winter. Bobby submitted a time line of events, showing progress of Atwell Hill. Bobby stated that the project is ahead of schedule at this point. Bobby raised the issue of breaking up the large rocks, and stated that he will have someone come in and do that, which will allow Bobby to truck the rocks off site.

Steve stated that in summary, the Board approves 40 hours for Larry and Randy this week, and both may work on Thursday. Steve stated he is happy with the progress and has had positive input from neighbors on Atwell Hill that it is going good. Francis, Steve and Bobby discussed the removal and distribution of dirt on the project. Bobby stated at this time the dirt is being given to those that want it, mainly those that live on Atwell Hill, as this saves the town money by not having to truck it to various off-site locations. No decision was made at this time to change the manner in which the dirt is being removed, selectmen will revisit this issue next week.

Derek Randall stated that he feels the road project is going well, that Bobby is doing a good job. He also had concerns regarding the shifting of soil as we move towards colder frost season. Bobby reiterated that he anticipates that the project will not extend past the end of fall, and that paving should begin sometime in the end of September, or first weeks of October.

Chief Kay stated that the Police Department is very busy; they have several cases being heard in court at this time. Also, the cruiser still needs work. He reported that the Race Track season is

drawing to a close, there are maybe 2 or 3 weeks remaining, as well as a race scheduled for the end of October.

Steve Davis asked Deb Vlk to join the meeting. Steve inquired about the police department race track funds. Deb reported that the account is set up and working ok. Deb explained the process.

Steve addressed the issue regarding the transfer station. Steve stated that he has spoken with Central Metals and has asked them to remove their container. He has also spoken with Ron Whitcher and asked him to bring in a container, which should be in place within 2 weeks.

Derek also spoke about steel and recycling at the transfer station. Steve stated we are trying to set up a system that allows for better recycling.

The Board discussed properties owned by the town. Paula Davis asked about the insurance on these properties and Francis stated the town pays the insurance. Donna King reminded the Board that once the town takes deed of a property, she does not send out any tax bills, and thus does not track any activity regarding the property. The board agreed that they will revisit the issue of town owned properties next week.

Motion by Steve, seconded by Francis to approve expenses related to Catherine becoming a notary, with a limit of \$100.00.

Selectmen reviewed and signed the Minutes of 09-07-10.

Selectmen reviewed approval for Payment Application #4, from Piper and Dubois and King. Francis requested the office get more information regarding the listed figures/changes noted, and once done he will sign. Steve stated that for the record, once this has been done, he approves of Francis signing off on the application.

Steve motioned, seconded by Francis and approved to adjourn the meeting at 7:04 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine Stover

Minutes accepted by _____, _____, and _____

TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN

September 21, 2010 Minutes

Present: Francis Muzzey, Steve Davis, Randy Morrison, Catherine Stover

Also Present: Chief Kevin Kay, Bobby Cass, Ellie Murray, Steve Welch, Chris Witcher, Ron Witcher, Palmer Koelb, Chip Strata, George Morrill

Francis motioned to open the meeting at 6:02 pm seconded by Steve and approved.

Bobby gave updates. The project of the Highway addition is now complete. In regards to Atwell Hill; the Excavator usage is nearly complete, and is scheduled for pickup/return Monday, 09/27/10. Francis noted that Bobby has spoken with Beauregard, and they graciously extended our rental time a few days at no extra cost. There are currently 28 hours remaining on the Excavator. . He will begin working culverts tomorrow. Also ready to begin hammering rock. He has had a quote for this from ME Latulippe Construction. The Board requested a second bid/quote from Dennis Flynn of Maine Drilling Blasting. Steve motioned, seconded by Randy and approved that Bobby select the lowest bidder for this job. After completion of culverts, paving will begin.

Randy and Bobby discussed obtaining bids for gravel for mud season. Bobby will get bids.

Bobby asked for permission to go and pick up gravel (1 ½ crushed) from Warren Sand and Gravel to be used with the culverts. The Highway Dept will pick it up. Motion by Francis, seconded by Steve and approved.

Bobby stated that trucks are due by the end of this month for state inspection and he can do one at a time. Will drop off at Monroe's Repair. Steve motioned seconded by Francis and approved.

Chief Kevin Kay. Stated that he is aware that the town is focused on the Atwell Hill project, but noted that the sides of roads in town are in need of maintenance, such as mowing. Bobby states that after the project is done, he can return to regular maintenance. Bobby stated that he will be able to catch the maintenance up before winter (snow). Francis agreed that the maintenance will need to wait until Atwell is done, to avoid OT. Francis asked Chief Kay about the trees on his road; they had needed to be trimmed. Chief Kay stated it has been taken care of.

Chief Kay stated that the race track is going well, there are no problems to report. Palmer questioned if the race track is viable with the Saturday racing. Chief Kay stated he thought they were doing ok. His department is busy with court cases. He also stated that the cruiser is tentatively scheduled for repair next week. Chief Kay announced that there will be an informational meeting held at Wentworth Elementary School, on October 14 from 6:30-8:30 pm, hosted by Senator Deborah Reynolds, to discuss broadband coverage in our area. He encouraged those interested to attend. Also, Wentworth Police is now posting activity and messages on Twitter & Facebook. For more information, people should "search" from Facebook or twitter "wentworthpolice".

Steve discussed pay regarding the Ballot Clerks and Supervisors. He believes the Ballot Clerks are to be paid \$9.00/hr and Supervisors are paid \$10.00/hr. He directed that we get clarification from Donna, and revisit this issue next week.

Chris and Ron Witcher were in attendance. They submitted an agreement, which the Board signed. They will be delivering a container to the transfer station on Wednesday. The Board requested that Witcher make a proposal for the C&D, as the town is exploring recycling options, including sorting vs. no sort. Steve stated that the town is very interested in them making a bid for next year for MSW and C&D.

Francis stated that he is not in favor of the town office subscribing to the Record Enterprise.

Board approved for AA to request for 2 wk vacation in June, 2011.

Francis moved to go into non-public NP (1) session at 6:45 pm per RSA 91-A:3, II (c) to discuss matters which if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of a person, seconded by Steve and approved by Randy. Francis moved to come out of non-public session at 7:05 pm, seconded by Randy and approved. The Board discussed a welfare application.

Francis moved to go into non-public NP (2) session at 7:10 pm per RSA 91-A:3, II (c) to discuss matters which if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of a person, seconded by Steve and approved by Randy. Francis moved to come out of non-public session at 7:35 pm, seconded by Randy and approved. No decisions were made.

Francis motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 pm seconded by Steve and approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine Stover

Minutes accepted by _____, _____, and _____

**TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN**

Minutes September 28, 2010 Meeting

Present: Francis Muzzey, Steve Davis, Catherine Stover

Also Present: Ellie Murray, Donna King, Bobby Cass, Chip Stata, Randy Rugar,
Thomas Toomey, Palmer Koelb

Francis moved to open the meeting at 6:00 pm, seconded by Steve and approved.

Bobby gave a status update of Atwell Hill. The rock blasting is now under way, and Bobby expects this to take 2-3 more days. Cost: about \$6,000.00. So far 16 loads of broken rock have been trucked out to various areas such as the old pit, the school, etc. Some has been pulverized very small and will be going to the gravel pit. Bobby stated that on Oct 7th & 8th they will be there for reclaim, which he anticipates to be about 1-2 days. In the meantime, culverts will be worked and grading. Steve inquired about notifying residents that the road will be closed off, but Bobby explained that they will be doing only one side of the road at a time, and traffic will be directed around it. On October 11, gravel is scheduled, then black top. Beauregard Equipment has been very gracious - they extended excavator usage without extra charge, as there were still some usable hours remaining. Francis motioned, seconded by Steve, that the office write a thank you letter with our payment check. Bobby asked that we consider them for future projects such as Beech Hill. Steve stated that the road is looking good.

Board of Selectmen authorized payment to Dubois & King for Piper Payment Application #3. Francis resigned the approval copy and re-dated it. Approval for check next week.

Francis stated that he will sign the check to K & R Portable Toilets because Randy Morrison is not present. Francis stated that for the record he objects to the Town paying for these costs until such time as a park usage fee is instituted.

Donna asked if Bobby had or will have a chance to look at fallen trees on East Side hill. Bobby stated that he will take care of fallen/dead trees by winter.

Donna King and Ellie Murray discussed Ballot clerk pay. Donna stated that both Ballot clerks and Supervisors of the check list should be paid \$9.00/hr. Donna stated that she and Janet discussed back in November this issue, and it was at that time, and still is \$9.00/hr. Francis suggested the office not combine ballot clerk pay with other pay such as treasurer pay, that the checks be written separately. The Board agreed that they will revisit this subject next week when Randy Morrison is available.

Donna gave an update regarding the deeded bankrupt property. She has received direction from Legal. Legal has said that the bankruptcy, Chapter 13 was dismissed. Legal will draft deed paperwork.

Randy Rugar discussed State requirements for supplies needed at the Transfer Station. Steve Davis will look into obtaining some of the things on the list, and then we will determine which items will still

need to be purchased. Steve also offered to discuss safety instructions regarding lifting as well as other safety measures.

Francis Muzzey asked that Randy Rugar do an Inspection within a month to see if these safety measures are in place. Randy agreed.

Steve announced that Spear Memorial Pharmacy has inquiry as to whether the Town would entertain the possibility of utilizing the Town Offices to hold a Flu Clinic (a one day event) if so, they will present a formal request. Motioned by Francis and seconded by Steve that the Town will support a formal request

Steve discussed his email exchange with Carol Miller (Director of Broadband Technology for DRED) regarding a broadband meeting. Steve requested info regarding the process for funding the expansion of coverage area in Wentworth. She mentioned the scheduled meeting at Wentworth School on 10-14-10.

Steve gave a report on the weight amounts as reported by Cassella regarding MSW and C&D for 2009 and 2010 to date. Steve would like Cassella, Witcher and maybe a couple of others to give input on these figures.

Francis moved to go into a non-public session at 7:15 pm per RSA 91-A:3, II c, to discuss matters which if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of a person, seconded by Steve and approved. Francis moved to come out of non-public session at 7:35 pm, seconded by Steve and approved. Francis and Steve will research a resident's tax payment history and research mail delivery through the Warren Post Office.

Francis moved to go into a non-public session at 7:40 pm per RSA 91-A:3, II c, to discuss matters which if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of a person, seconded by Steve and approved. Francis moved to come out of non-public session at 8:00 pm, seconded by Steve and approved. Selectmen approved a welfare request for assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine Stover

Minutes accepted by _____, _____, and _____

**TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
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Minutes September 28, 2010 Meeting

Present: Francis Muzzey, Steve Davis, Catherine Stover

Also Present: Thomas Toomey

Francis moved to go into a non-public session at 7:15 pm per RSA 91-A:3, II c, to discuss matters which if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of a person, seconded by Steve and approved. Francis moved to come out of non-public session at 7:35 pm, seconded by Steve and approved. Francis and Steve will research a resident's tax payment history and research mail delivery through the Warren Post Office.

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**TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN**

Minutes September 28, 2010 (NP 2) Meeting

Present: Francis Muzzey, Steve Davis, Catherine Stover

Francis moved to go into a non-public session at 7:40 pm per RSA 91-A:3, II c, to discuss matters which if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of a person, seconded by Steve and approved. Francis moved to come out of non-public session at 8:00 pm, seconded by Steve and approved. Selectmen approved a welfare request for assistance.

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