

TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN
Selectmen's Business Meeting
June 07, 2017

Present: Chris Bassingthwaite, Ray Youngs, Pete Santom and Arlene Patten

Also Present: Chief Trott, Janice Thompson, Kay Bailey, Donny Adams, Kevin Gilbert, Jordan King, Omer Ahern, Jr., Kevin Kay, Paul Ducharme

Ray motioned to open the meeting at 6:00 pm, seconded by Pete and approved.

Selectmen reviewed and/or signed the following:

- Timber Intent OP #17-475-08
- Reviewed Credentials for Palmer Koelb
- Letter for OHRV Connector Trails & Crossings
- Meeting Minutes, 4/4/17 Non-Publics
- Travelers, John Neis vs Primex (email of warnings)

Chief Trott was welcomed to speak and told of normal complaints in Town which happen to be Domestic Violence. The Chief shared the races are going well. There's been a total of 5 races, 3 actually held, and 2 cancelations due to rain. "Each of the races ended by or at the scheduled hours of 22:00 (10:00pm)", said Chief Trott.

Omer Ahern, Jr., Grafton County Commissioner of District 3 was invited to speak. Mr. Ahern spoke of his accomplishments and credibility since being in office, over the last 5 months. He shared information on recent projects and ones he's presently undertaking. He expressed his thoughts and concerns on the Grafton County Nursing Home and its Employees, The Dept. of Corrections and the Inmates, along with The County Farm, having the Best Dairy Cows and one of the best working Herdsmen. It didn't matter what Mr. Ahern spoke of, you could feel his compassion, desire to thrive, and the willingness to make changes and succeed at it. The Board thanked him for his service and courtesy call.

Jordan King was invited to speak with the Select Board. The Board asked Mr. King how soon and when he thought that a Timber Cut could be done on the Town owned property (Van Deusen, and Turner Rd lots). The Board felt the monies collected from the timber cut could help compensate Mr. King for his management plan proposal and estimate. The Board asked Mr. King for his feedback, and help in prepping for the cut. They asked him to come back in two weeks for a decision.

Kevin Kay was invited to speak to the public. Mr. Kay said he understands that there's a petition in Town being passed around. This petition is to allow Residents Only at the Hamilton Field and Riverside Park. Mr. Kay spoke of a committee formed some time ago, that wanted the public to have the ability to use this resource. He felt it was necessary to share his experience with this and as former Police Chief this will be an enormous can of worms this would be to open. He said it would cause an increase in parking tickets, patrolling the area, and a revision of ordinances. Mr. Kay did mention and suggest that if the Town was in favor of this, maybe they could create a placard for each household to use. Paul Ducharme also spoke of his feelings and the liabilities with parking in these areas that are crowded.

Kay Bailey was invited to speak. Ms. Bailey shared that there will be brush/trees cut and removed from around the Fire Station/Library areas. This will allow painting to be done to the backside of the Fire Station. Jeff Ames and Craig Scheller will look at the lot lines of the property. Ms. Bailey specified that Mr. Ames would be happy to speak to The Board if they had any questions or concerns. Ray Youngs mentioned there was a lot of poison ivy behind the buildings and people should be aware. Ms. Bailey said she was aware of Bamboo, but not ivy.

The Board extended an invitation to Privilege of the Floor

The Administrative Assistant spoke of a recent estimated cost for NH Primex insurance of roughly \$28,000.00. The current insurance that the Town holds is with Travelers. for property liability and Zurich for Workers Comp. costs roughly \$60,000.00. Rick Alpers, with NH Primex met with Ms. Patten, Administrative Assistant and collected the necessary paperwork for the proposals, and addressed necessary questions and concerns she had. Mr. Alpers felt confident they could work with the Town and deliver a competitive price.

Mr. Ahern mentioned a company called NEEBCo. New England Employee Benefits Company (NEEBCo) is a leading employee benefits and insurance firm that combines advanced technology and responsive, personalized service to provide tailored market analysis and custom funding solutions for employers and employees. The Administrative Assistant was asked by The Board to check it out. Mr. Ahern gave her a contact name of Julie Libby, from the County Administrative Office who could offer some assistance with NEEBCo. New England Employee Benefits Company (NEEBCo) is a leading employee benefits and insurance firm that combines advanced technology and responsive, personalized service to provide tailored market analysis and custom funding solutions for employers and employees. Don Adams mentioned that he has seen the Town Highway trucks in the North Haverhill area. Mr. Gilbert, Road Agent quickly addressed the situation as the Town is purchasing product (5/8 Staymat and 3/4 Crushed Gravel) from Chief Crushing & Excavation, Inc. Mr. Adams shared his feelings which were neither yay nor nay on the subject.

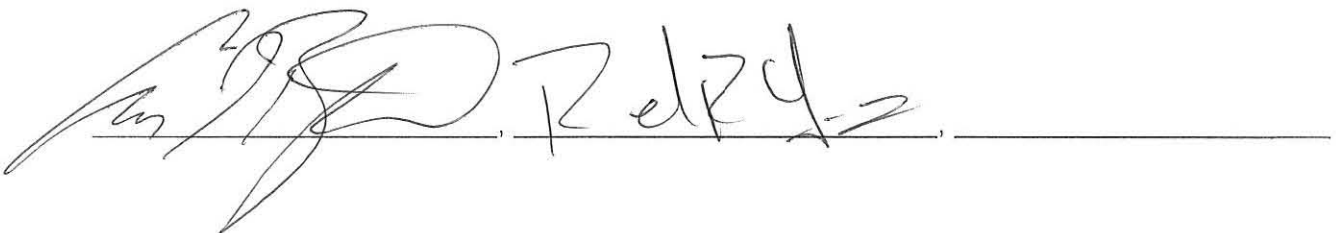
Non-Public Meeting #1

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Ray motioned to adjourn at 7:07 pm and seconded by Chris and approved.

Respectfully Submitted by Arlene Patten

Minutes accepted by:



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TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN
Selectmen's Working Meeting
June 14, 2017

Present:

Also Present:

No Meeting was Held

Respectfully Submitted by Arlene Patten

TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN
Selectmen's Business Meeting
June 21, 2017

Present: Chris Bassingthwaite, Ray Youngs, Pete Santom and Arlene Patten

Also Present: Chief Trott, Janice Thompson, Kay Bailey, Rick Alpers, Robert Durfee, George Morrill, Morgan & Tracy Currier

Chris motioned to open the meeting at 6:00 pm, seconded by Pete and approved.

Selectmen reviewed and/or signed the following:

- Employee & Vendor Checks
- NH Primex Quote, Rick Alpers
- Water Testing Results for Wentworth
- Lien waiver-deceased 13-6-2-44
- Abatement 13-6-2-44
- Deed Waivers 2-5-4, 12-2-1
- Business Meeting Minutes
- Warrant for Unlicensed Dogs

The Select Board Members reviewed a recent, and quite impressive proposal/quote with NH Primex. Chris thanked Chief Trott for his persistence with looking into NH Primex and also thanked the Admin. Assistant, Arlene Patten for her steadfast and unwavering attention to detail in preparing the necessary documents, for the Property Liability/Workers Comp. coverage. The quote came in at a much lower rate, surprisingly, with an incredible amount of savings of roughly \$34,000.00 to the Town. The quote discussion and presentation will be given by Rick Alpers, later this evening.

Select Board Ray asked the Chief for a follow up on Officer Todd Eck and his employment/training with the Police Dept. Chief Trott said that Officer Eck will be doing more one on one training and coverage, before being released on his own.

Chief Trott was welcomed to speak and gave a status update. The Chief mentioned that in the near future he would be providing a detailed descriptive, weekly activity report. He spoke of recent inspections on the Hamilton Field/Swim Hole and Riverside Park.

The Chief noted that during His inspections he found that there were no trash containers at either of the parks. Kevin Gilbert will look into this and bring two 55 gal. barrels to the locations this next week. One near the outhouse at Hamilton Park, and one near the picnic table at Riverside. It was also mentioned by the Chief that the Riverside Park fence (corner) is still damaged from a previously removed tree during cleanup by Randy Morrison. The Administrative Assistant will contact Palmer Koelb with the Parks & Rec Committee for a discussion of getting information and possibly having this fixed.

The Board welcomed Rick Alpers, Risk Management Consultant with NH Primex to the floor to speak of the recent proposal/quote for Property & Liability and Worker's Comp. Insurance.

Mr. Alpers spoke of His excitement with The Town of Wentworth's interest in partnering with Primex. He mentioned the many advantages to Partnering with them, including; trained services, proven & efficient claims team approach, access to Primex legal counsel, engaged risk management team, education & training, performance review accessibility, and option of January or July renewal process.

He discussed the advantages of the Primex Workers Compensation program including; exclusive partnership with Best Doctors Occupational Health Institute, proactive claims management, in person contact with injured workers, and \$2 million employer liability limit.

NH Primex Workers' Compensation (WC) is a clear choice. Primex offers a history of financial stability and pricing. Members share in both the collective cost of their mutual risk and the benefits of good experience over a long period of time. The safety of pooling lies in Primex's commitment to continually ensure the expense and coverage that remains competitive and at the lowest possible costs. They also offer an extensive WC Risk management training and educational opportunities to help reduce the cost of risk. Either on site or at their training facility they provide guidance and consultation.

NH Primex Property & Liability Program has over 30 years of Risk Management Excellence in Service to NH members. This program has been established since 1988, and is the program of choice for cost effective, service-driven risk financing for local government entities throughout the State.

The Property & Liability program includes liability, property, boiler & machinery, crime, public official scheduled bond and volunteer medical accidents. In service fire truck and ambulance valuations based on replacement cost at no additional, automatic acquisition up to \$25 million for buildings and \$10 million for licensed vehicles and mobile equipment, schedule of exposures only need to be updated once a year, and volunteer medical accident payments up to \$10,000. per accident on a discretionary basis. A couple of other areas of mention were, Center for Public Sector Advancement (Human Resource Consulting) and The Foundry (a resource in learning).

Primex recently rolled out a loss prevention group that combines their existing consulting capacity with additional legal support to assist with the workplace challenges.

Combined with these advantages in the proposal presentation, and Primex's innovative commitment to service, we hope to have a long term relationship and a solution to the many challenges we face as a Municipality.

The Board thanked Rick Alpers for his support and efforts in getting us the best savings with NH Primex. Property & Liability quote effective date July 1, 2017, Net Contribution: \$14,930. and Workers Compensation quote effective date July 1, 2017, Net Contribution: \$11,881, combined total of \$26,811.00 annual cost.

The Select Board Chair, Chris Bassingthwaite made a motion to accept NH Primex as our new Insurance carrier for Property & Liability and Worker's Compensation coverage, seconded by Pete Santom and approved.

The Board will be signing the Loss Mitigation Agreement, and will be contractually bound to all of the terms and conditions of Primex Risk Management Pool Membership during the term of this program, July 1, 2017 - June 30, 2018 when the renewal process will be considered, at that time.

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Robert H. Durfee, Vice President of DuBois & King, Inc. was invited to speak of the NH State Bridge Aid Program for Wentworth's Frescoln Bridge Project. Mr. Durfee spoke of his prior accomplishments, and jobs he's had with the Town of Wentworth. He sat down, hands folded, and asked The Board what they wanted him for at this meeting. Pete asked him to give a ballpark estimate and discuss the project for 2020, if he was interested. Mr. Durfee commented on the actions that the Town must take and processes that should be understood before moving ahead with the project. He proceeded to discuss the different phases, such as; the reimbursement process including the design, construction, and engineering costs and the selection of consultant process. He offered to send the Administrative Assistant the necessary paperwork to help. Mr. Durfee was open to questions. The Board thanked him for his time.

The Board shared a Health Alert on mosquitos, and discussed an Air Quality Survey. They discussed Vegetation Control Service, Inc. who will be in the area applying selectively herbicides to undesirable vegetation growing within power line rights of way corridors located in the community. The Administrative Assistant will be posting information on the Town's Webpage.

Ms. Kay Bailey asked for permission to put balloons on the sign post at the end of her road as a marker for a party. Chris motioned to allow her to place balloons and Pete seconded and approved.

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Tracy & Morgan Currier / Personal Matter

The Board listened to the Curriers speak of their desires and reasons for moving to Wentworth. Tracy continued and discussed his interest for the available Selectmen position, and asked for their consideration. The Board reviewed his letter of interest. His accomplishments are remarkable. His management and leadership skills are quite impressive. The Board told them they would be making a decision for replacement soon and thanked Mr. & Mrs. Currier for their time and welcomed them to the Town of Wentworth.

Chris motioned to come out of the Non- Public, seconded by Ray and approved.

The Board motioned to go back into a Public Session and said the meeting was not considered Non-Public, therefore the information shared could have been opened to the public.

Ray motioned to adjourn at 7:25 pm and seconded by Chris and approved.

Respectfully Submitted by Arlene Patten

Minutes accepted by:



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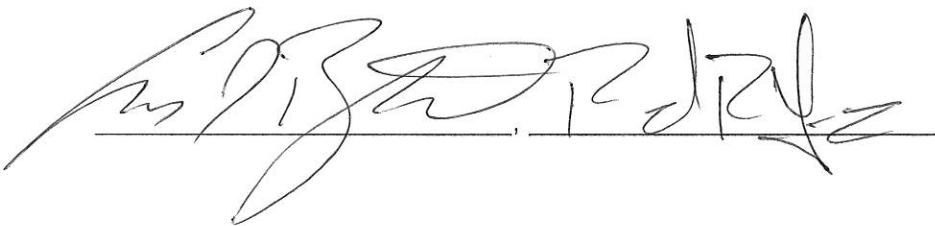
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Selectmen's Working Meeting
June 28, 2017

Present:

Also Present:

No Meeting was Held

Respectfully Submitted by Arlene Patten