

TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN

Selectmen's Meeting
of November 13, 2018
Town Elections

Present: Morgan Currier, Raymond Youngs

Also Present: Chief Trott, Tracy Currier, Kevin Gilbert, Janice Thompson, Kay Bailey, George Morrill, Palmer Koelb, ~~Steven~~ Davis,

Stephen

Ray Youngs motioned to open the meeting at 6:02 pm, seconded by Morgan Currier and approved.

George Morrill reported that Francis Muzzey sent his apologies but he would have to withdraw his offer to help the SelectBoard due to a fall. He was doing well but would be away from the meetings for the immediate future.

Chief Trott gave his report for Wentworth Police Department (WPD):

WPD conducted a department assist with the Massachusetts Department of Children and Family Services pertaining to a background investigation regarding a family being considering for adoption qualification.

WPD also assisted NH DCYF with two active ongoing investigations regarding concerns surrounding two Wentworth juveniles. The matter is active and remains under investigation.

WPD was advised of a Reckless Operation complaint on a vehicle heading into Wentworth from Rumney. WPD attempted to located the vehicle but the vehicle was not located in Wentworth.

WPD was contacted by a Wentworth resident regarding an abandoned vehicle and a request was made to have the vehicle towed at the property owners request. This has been an ongoing issue and the property owner has done his due diligence in attempting to work with the owner of the vehicle but without a positive end result. Arrangement have been made to have the vehicle removed in accordance to state statute.

With the assistance of the Wentworth Highway Department the remainder of the town, with the exception of two roads, now have signage advising of the winter road ban.

WPD took a criminal mischief report the night prior to Halloween. Unknown subjects had smashed a mailbox off of its post belonging to a Wentworth resident. A report was taken and WPD received no other reports.

The WPD took an animal complaint and a complaint pertaining to the illegal use of OHRV's on North Dorchester Road. The involved parties were contacted and warned about both complaints. They assured the WPD that there would be no further issues with the animals or the OHRVs.

The Board of Selectmen (BOS): Steve Davis was sworn in as the third Selectmen, taking Doug Campbell's empty seat.

There was a discussion on decreasing the Administrative Assistant position to 32 hours with individual benefits. The town agreed that it made sense to try this since the position is currently vacant. The advertisement for the position would be changed to reflect the decrease in hours.

A discussion was also held regarding taping the town meetings. As a new board will be voted in in the March elections, it was decided to table the subject until that time.

It was reported that Morgan Currier, Ray Youngs, Chief Jeff Ames, and Kevin Gilbert met with Chris Fournier from HEB Engineering on 9 November to discuss the Cross Road Bridge project. The Town is now waiting for a proposal from HEB regarding the project. Also discussed that HEB advised that a H&H study would still need to be done at Frescoln to receive money from FEMA for the repairs to the culvert.

Ray Youngs signed payroll from previous meeting.

Highway Department: Road Agent Kevin Gilbert reported that the roads are good. BOS concurred on the Road Agent purchasing sand from Chiefs, as they are \$1 less than Warren Gravel for delivered material. Highway department will order approx 2K worth of sand for this winter.

BOS also approved the Road Agent to fix the brakes on the International truck, as the truck is needed. Cost will be approx 4K.

BOS reported that the river testing was discussed with the health officer, who did look for signs of camping groups along the river. No evidence was found. The next step is finding out when the next testing is due and deciding if the town wants to test sooner.

Chief Trott notified the BOS that on Sunday the 11th there was no heat in the building. He called the company currently dealing with the furnace and the company came in and made repairs/adjustments. BOS agreed that Chief made the correct decision.

The Board extended an invitation to Privilege of the Floor:

The BOS will meet on Nov 20th at 5:00 pm for a working meeting.

Non-Public Meeting #1

At 6:46 pm, Ray motioned to go into a Non-Public Meeting - per **RSA 91-A:3, II(c)** – Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person, other than a member of the body or agency itself, unless such person requests an open meeting. The motion was seconded by Morgan and approved. The Selectmen used this time to bring Steve Davis up-to-date on personnel issues that the BOS is currently dealing with. Ray motioned to come out of the Non-Public at 7:23 pm, seconded by Morgan and approved.

Morgan motioned **to return into a Public Session at 7:25**, seconded by Ray and approved.
Steve motioned to close the meeting at 7:26, seconded by Ray and approved.

Respectfully Submitted by Morgan Currier

Minutes accepted by:

Three handwritten signatures are written over a horizontal line. The first signature on the left is cursive and appears to be 'Steve'. The middle signature is also cursive and appears to be 'Ray'. The signature on the right is cursive and appears to be 'Morgan'.