Select Board Meeting Minutes Emergency Meeting Town of Wentworth January 23, 2024

As permitted by RSA 91-A:2, II, an emergency meeting can be held with less than 24 hours' notice when the chair determines that immediate, undelayed action is imperative. Notice of an emergency meeting shall be provided as soon as practicable and employ other means that are reasonably available to inform the public that a meeting is to be held. The minutes of the emergency meeting shall clearly spell out the need for the emergency meeting.

Those present: Richard Ducheneau, Brian DuBois, and Erin Ganzel

R. Ducheneau called the meeting to order at 5:30pm.

- R. Ducheneau makes a motion to accept the following resolution as necessary to stay compliant with FEMA's National Flood Insurance Program: "Pursuant to RSA 674:57, by resolution of the Board of Selectmen, all lands designated as special flood hazard areas by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in its "Flood Insurance Study for the County of Grafton, NH" dated February 8, 2024, together with the associated Flood Insurance Rate Maps Panels 33009C0590F, 33009C0591F, 33009C0593F, 33009C0594F, 33009C0615F, 33009C0760F, 33009C0780F, 33009C0781F, 33009C0782F, 33009C0783F, 33009C0784F, 33009C0790F, 33009C0795F, 33009C0780F, and 33009C0803F dated February 8, 2024, are declared to be part of the Town of Wentworth Floodplain Development Ordinance and are hereby incorporated by reference." Seconded by B. DuBois. Both voted in the affirmative, and the motion carried.
- R. Ducheneau reports the internet service through Spectrum has been running very slowly in the Town Offices. It is necessary to get NH Broadband's Fiber Internet Service set up as soon as possible. When Arnie returns, the Select Board will discuss pursuing the offer of free internet services from NH Broadband to several of the Town's Municipal Buildings.
- R. Ducheneau makes a motion to sign into a Broadband Service Agreement with NH Broadband. Seconded by B. DuBois. Both voted in the affirmative, and the motion carried.
- B. DuBois makes a motion to organize an in-person meeting with NH Broadband to discuss the Phone services they have to offer for the Town Offices. Seconded by R. Ducheneau. Both voted in the affirmative, and the motion carried.
- **R.** Ducheneau makes a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:39pn. Seconded by **B.** DuBois. Both voted in the affirmative, and the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by: Erin D. Ganzel, Town Administrator

Arnold Scheller, Chairman

Brian DuBois

Richard Ducheneau

Town of Wentworth Sample Resolution Language and Ordinance Amendments to Adopt New FEMA FIRMs and FIS

674:57 Flood Insurance Rate Maps. – In a municipality which has enrolled in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), special flood hazard areas shall be as designated on flood insurance rate maps issued by the Federal Emergency Management Agency. Amendments to the flood insurance rate maps shall apply to local floodplain ordinances upon their adoption by resolution of the local governing body of a municipality and shall require no further action by the local legislative body. Map amendments are subject to appeal by owners and lessees of affected real property under 44 C.F.R. 67.5.

Source. 2006, 176:2, eff. May 25, 2006.

As with any amendments to an ordinance, we recommend that you also check with your municipality's attorney on these changes. We also strongly recommend that you confirm which FIRM Panels apply to your community in the FIS Report available through FEMA's Map Service Center (<u>msc.fema.gov</u>) under the Pending Products Section. Instructions for viewing can be found in the attached PDF, "How to View Pending Prelim and Current Maps and Additional Products on FEMA MSC."

1. Pursuant to RSA 674:57 above, the municipality's local governing body must adopt a resolution at a scheduled meeting to officially adopt the new FEMA maps and study. The following is sample resolution language:

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2. Once the above resolution language is adopted, the following section of the Floodplain Development Ordinance should be revised as stated in the governing body's resolution (delete text and add text):

This ordinance, adopted pursuant to the authority of RSA 674: 16, shall be known as the Town of Wentworth Floodplain Management Ordinance. The following regulations in this ordinance shall apply to all lands designated as special flood hazard areas by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in its "Flood Insurance Study for the Town of Wentworth-County of Grafton, N.H." together with the associated Flood Insurance Rate Maps-Panels 33009C0590F, 33009C0591F, 33009C0593F, 33009C0594F, 33009C0615F, 33009C0760F, 33009C0780F, 33009C0785F, 33009C0784F, 33009C0790F, 33009C0795F,

33009C0801F, 33009C0802F, and 33009C0803F, and Flood Boundary & Floodway Maps of the town-dated April 18, 1983 February 8, 2024, which are declared to be a part of this ordinance and are hereby incorporated by reference, and any subsequent revisions thereto.

3. Once the above two steps are completed, a certified copy of the resolution, which must be signed by the governing body members and dated, and a certified copy of the municipality's entire floodplain ordinance with the new maps and study dates included, must be submitted to the below contact person at the NH Floodplain Management Program no later than three weeks before February 8, 2024. The Town's Site Plan Review Regulations and Subdivision Regulations (as applicable to your community) must also be submitted.

Once the resolution is complete, it is recommended that the local governing body provide notice of this change to the public.

Any questions or further assistance, please contact:

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To whom it may concern,

Pursuant to RSA 674:57, the Select Board for the Town of Wentworth adopted the following resolution at the January 23, 2024 Select Board Meeting:

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Please contact the Select Board's office should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Richard Ducheneau Select Board Member

Brian DuBois

Select Board Member

Arnold D. Scheller Select Board Chair