

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

**Minutes
August 5, 2008 Meeting**

Present: Randy Morrison, Francis Muzzey and Janet Woolner

Also Present: Gini Gove, Ellie Murray, Carol Freidrich, Mary & Carl Saras

Randy moved to open the meeting at 6:07 pm, seconded by Francis and approved.

Randy moved to accept the July 29, 2008 Minutes, seconded by Francis and approved.

Selectmen will visit the site and review the Driveway permits for Proulx and will review application again next week. Selectmen signed Current Use Change Forms for Menfi M/L 13-04-22 and Black M/L 04-02-43. The also signed a Tax Lien Redemption for Dustin M/L 05-08-28.

Randy moved, and seconded by Francis, to approved closing Atwell Hill Rd for the digging of a trench on Thursday from 10-11 am.

Selectmen authorized the Road Agent to purchase steel-toed boots not to exceed (\$125.00).

Selectmen agreed to accept the lateral file cabinet from the Brownson's.

Carol Friedrich updated Selectmen on the Grafton County Jail Project. She said there might be a revote after the lawsuit has been heard. The County is exploring all sorts of energy sources.

Francis moved go into non-public at 7:45 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. This was seconded by Randy and approved. Francis moved to come out of non-public session at 8:02 pm seconded by Randy. Selectmen discussed the auditor information received this week.

Randy moved, was seconded by Francis; and approved to adjourn the meeting at 8:14 pm;

Respectfully submitted,

Janet E. Woolner

Minutes accepted by _____, _____, and _____

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**TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
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**Minutes
August 12, 2008 Meeting**

Present: Palmer Koelb, Randy Morrison, Francis Muzzey and Deb Koelb

Also Present: Chief Kevin Kay, Gini Gove, Jeff Ames, Eugene Garrett, Janice & John Thompson, Dawn Gove, and Eric Maki

Palmer moved to open the meeting at 6:01 pm, seconded by Randy and approved by Francis.

Francis moved to accept the August 5, 2008 Minutes, seconded by Randy and approved.

Chief Kevin Kay stated that if he is out of town and another is left in charge, he will let the Board know in writing. Kevin advised the cruiser is basically done. He will get as close to the \$32,500 as he can. It was noted by the Selectmen that floor mats, spotlight, and items listed, as "more needed" will be taken from Capital Reserve, up to \$28,000. Motion was made by Francis and seconded by Palmer. Regarding the pistol permit, money does not get held by the Police Dept but will be given to the Selectmen to go into the General Fund, to be used later, per Town Meeting Warrant Article.

The Selectmen noted that Bobby Cass was asked to attend this meeting because of several issues that needed to be discussed. He was not here.

Jeff Ames wants to know if transfer of \$213,750 was made for the fire truck from the Trust Fund into the Town's checking account. In addition, Jeff noted that the Town of Warren is writing a letter to the State regarding the fire hydrant on the Wentworth/Warren line, as it was a State job.

Four Permits to Excavate were signed for the Proulx subdivision on East Side Road. Selectmen signed the letter to Conklin & Reynolds (Kingsbury property, M/L# 05-07-17). The septic design for Pollock (M/L#12-01-04) was signed, dated, and stamped. The DRA Application for Reimbursement to Towns was signed.

Income Limits for Elderly exemption tax credits was discussed. Francis read the RSA 72:39b rules and regs regarding modifications, and this must be brought up as a Public Meeting 15 days before the Town Meeting to change the figures. Palmer would like to see this increased from \$13,000 to \$20,000 for a single person.

A number of posts need to be replaced at the Town Common. The new ones are locked underneath the Bandstand. A total of nine hours of community service by town youth will be used to install and paint the posts. Kevin will work with several town youths on this project.

There has been a complaint that there are brush and tree branches in the roadway on Atwell Hill Road, which are scratching vehicles. Bobby will be asked to trim these back.

John and Janice Thompson were in attendance to discuss the Abatement received on their property (M/L# 08-02-08), which was in error. Francis will work out the correct figures with Janet, and they will be issued an additional refund check.

The passing of Bob Murray was brought up for discussion by the Board. The Selectmen will send a donation of \$50 to the Moosilauke Lodge #63 in Warren. A motion was made by Francis and seconded by Palmer.

Palmer discussed having beer at the August 30th Oktoberfest on the Town Common. He asked for the opinion of the other Board members regarding a one-time change to the policy of no alcoholic substances in public places. Kevin said we need a license from the Liquor Commission, or we can consider BYOB as an option. Gini suggested having the beer kept under the Bandstand as a control measure. Palmer will find out about the licensing. We will look at the old Minutes from a year ago when this issue was discussed. It is felt that permission was granted at that time to have beer at the 2008 Oktoberfest.

Dawn Gove and Eric Maki were here to discuss the Saunders Hill Bridge. Some of the cross members/beams need to be replaced, but this bridge is in line for a major update in 2011, when the State will have money available. Per the recommendation of DOT, the Town has closed the bridge to vehicular traffic although it has not been barricaded. The Selectmen need to find the engineer previously involved to size the replacement beams, and Palmer will follow up on this. Then the Highway Dept will work with a welder to add supplemental beams in the hopes to appease DOT until the scheduled update. The State will pay for 80% of the repairs during the update, but in the meantime, the Town is responsible. This bridge is the only access to homes on Saunders Hill Road, and the bridge CANNOT be closed for this very reason. Palmer will call Nancy tomorrow and ask her to come speak at next week's Selectmen's meeting.

Eugene was here to speak about the purchase of 1,000 Transfer Station stickers, also for use at the town parks. The stickers will be distributed by Janet and by Chief Kevin Kay. The first sticker will be free to each family, with a \$1 charge per additional sticker. Each numbered sticker will have a name and address. A motion was moved by Palmer to approve the stickers, seconded by Randy.

The Selectmen decided that Eugene would pick up the brush at the Town Hall. He will be reimbursed.

Francis moved to go into non-public session at 8:01 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. This was seconded by Randy and approved by Palmer. Randy moved to come out of non-public session at 8:13 pm. This was seconded by Palmer and approved by Francis

Randy moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:16 pm; this was seconded by Francis and approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah E. Koelb

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**TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
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**Minutes
August 19, 2008 Meeting**

Present: Palmer Koelb, Randy Morrison, Francis Muzzey and Janet Woolner

Also Present: Chief Kevin Kay, Bobby Cass, Gini Gove, Jeff Ames, Nancy Mayville from DOT and John Thompson

Randy moved to open the meeting at 6:03 pm, seconded by Palmer and approved.

Bobby received quotes for springs and Selectmen requested the parts be picked up by the highway department. Roadside mowing was discussed and more quotes are needed. Selectmen will get additional quotes for the concrete pads too. Bobby said Allen would be doing cold patch this week. Bobby discussed the work on Atwell Hill and he will be working there next week. He said he did not believe trees and brush needed to be trimmed or cut on the road. The highway department will confirm next week when the file cabinet can be picked up.

Selectmen recognized Judy Pease (who passed away this week) for her service to the Town of Wentworth. She was a teacher in the elementary school, a volunteer on the Fire Department, served meals on wheels, and worked with children and the elderly here in the area.

Nancy Mayville from DOT discussed the closure of Saunders Hill Bridge with those present. Saunders Hill Bridge is scheduled for 80/20 match of funds in 2012. She presented a couple options, one for a temporary fix now so the bridge could be used. The State may be able to pay for some of the repairs now if the Town replaces ½ of the six stringers providing this repair is permanent and would allow the bridge to reopen with the six-ton limit. She discussed the bridge replacement as well as ways to fund the work. Selectmen will contact suggested engineers for recommendations and a design.

Francis moved to accept the August 12, 2008 Minutes, seconded by Randy and approved. Selectmen signed MS-1, MS-4 and MS-5 Reports, and Intent to Cut for Saras, M/L 05-01-04.

Selectmen approved a septic design for Welch M/L 13-03-19. Frances moved to spend up to \$200 for the Administrative Assistant to attend a workshop, seconded by Randy and approved.

Selectmen authorized a partial payment of \$6,000 and requested another letter sent to Graham and Graham asking again for the information promised by Jeff Graham when he met with the Selectmen on 3/18/08 and again on 7/15/08.

Randy moved to go into non-public session at 8:15 pm per RSA 91-A:3, II (d) to discuss the consideration of the purchase, sale or lease of real or personal property which if discussed in public, would likely benefit a party or parties whose interests are adverse to those of the general community. This was seconded by Francis and approved by Palmer. Palmer moved to come out on non-public session at 8:25 pm, seconded by Randy and approved by Francis. No decisions were made.

Francis moved to go into non-public session at 8:30 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. This was seconded by Randy and approved by Palmer. Randy moved to come out of non-public session at 8:45 pm. This was seconded by Palmer and approved by Francis. Selectmen discussed a payroll issue.

Randy moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 pm; this was seconded by Francis and approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet E. Woolner

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**TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
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**Non Public Minutes (1)
August 19, 2008 Meeting**

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Also Present:

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**Non-Public Minutes (2)
August 19, 2008 Meeting**

Present: Palmer Koelb, Randy Morrison, Francis Muzzey and Janet Woolner

Also Present: Chief Kevin Kay

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Selectmen discussed a payroll issue.

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**TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
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**Minutes
August 26, 2008 Meeting**

Present: Palmer Koelb, Randy Morrison, and Francis Muzzey

Also Present: Chief Kevin Kay, Gini Gove, Ellie Murray, George Morrill, Carol Friedrich, Mary Davis, Dawn Gove & Eric Maki, Roy Ames, and Walter Rebele, III-Pine Haven Campground

Randy moved to open the meeting at 6:05 pm, seconded by Palmer and approved.

Selectmen swore in Stephen Welch as School Board Moderator. They signed a letter to Jeffery A. Graham, DES form for M/L 11-09-02 for the Town garage, and approved a Veterans credit for McNulty M/L11-04-32.

Police Chief Kay advised Stephen Hilbrunner has resigned from the Police Department and has turned in his equipment and keys. Chief Kay would like to present a plaque to Officer Hilbrunner for his long service to the town. The Chief discussed dog warrants for those not registering their dogs. He also said the Racetrack Detail is causing a problem. There were three races run after the 10:00 pm deadline and ended at 10:50 pm or 10:55 pm. Chief Kay reminded everyone that school is open this week.

Selectmen have concerns about the students (not residents) from a local school using the town parks. The Chief will investigate the usage.

Palmer recognized Police Chief Kay for participating in the community service project with local youth.

Carol Frederick asked if the town had a plan for oil assistance for this year. Selectmen said there was some money in the Town budget and others are referred to other agencies.

Mary Davis showed all the new signs for voting. Selectmen swore in George Morrill to be a democratic ballot clerk.

Letters were signed for 12 firms requesting plans and recommendations on the Engineering of the Saunders Bridge, as well as the Release Form for Protective Well Radii for the highway garage well.

Fire Chief Roy Ames inquired about the status of the Pease property. He said the Fire Department has an interest in purchasing the property and will talk with the heirs. Francis moved to support the Fire Dept in the efforts to purchase additional property for a Fire Station. This was seconded by Randy and approved by Palmer.

Walter Rebel talked to Selectmen and said he was disappointed that the Race Track permit had been altered by the Fire Marshall and requested the Selectmen get involved to encourage the Racetrack to abide by the original agreement to start the last race before 10 pm and end racing by 10:30 pm.

Selectmen authorized Ellie Murray to attend the North Cty Council August 9, 2008.

Randy moved to accept the August 19, 2008 Minutes and Non-Public Meeting, seconded by Palmer and approved by Francis.

Francis moved to go into non-public session at 8:08 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. This was seconded by Palmer and approved by Randy. Randy moved to come out of non-public session at 8:35 pm. This was seconded by Francis and approved by Palmer. Selectmen discussed a personnel issue, and it was agreed to discuss specific items with this employee.

Randy moved to go into non-public session at 8:36 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. This was seconded by Palmer and approved by Francis. Francis moved to come out of non-public session at 8:54 pm. This was seconded by Palmer and approved by Randy. Police department equipment was discussed.

Francis moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 pm; this was seconded by Palmer and approved.

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Selectmen agreed to discuss specific written items with this employee.

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