

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

**Minutes
December 22, 2009**

No meeting

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

Minutes December 1, 2009

Present: Randy Morrison, Francis Muzzey, Steve Davis, and Janet Woolner
Also Present: Gini Gove, Palmer Koelb, Chief Kevin Kay, Ellie Murray, Randy Rugar,
Bobby Cass, and Larry King

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

Bobby discussed the beaver situation in south Wentworth and advised he has again talked with Fish and Game and the trapper from Hebron. The concerns are a property owner will not allow access on their property. Francis said there is not a lay out of the town maintained Road (Rowentown Rd is believed to be a three rod road). Bobby said we can trap on the lower side of the road. Selectmen requested the trapper get the permit first before proceeding with the trapping.

Chief Kay also talked to the Fish and Game officer about the beaver problem. The Chief said there is currently a heavy work load in the police department.

Francis moved to accept the November 24, 2009 minutes, seconded by Randy and approved.

Selectmen discussed the new highway applicant and agreed to pay him \$12.00 per hour if he accepts the temporary winter position and there will be a 90 day performance review.

Selectmen stated the new Transfer Station charges will go into effect after the first of the year (1-1-10). They also discussed tire charges and will review this again next week.

Kerry Weatherbee and Dennis Ford from NH DOT talked with the Board about the section of North Dorchester Road that is maintained by the State in the summer only (per RSA 230:4). The Town maintains the road in the winter. Dennis provided paperwork and maps including a straight line diagram explaining some of the issues and questions regarding the right-of-way and agreement on the maintenance.

Francis also asked him about beavers on a class five road. Fish and Game are responsible for getting the permit. We can notify the property owner that if he doesn't allow permission to access the property, they will be responsible for any and all damages incurred by the beavers.

Donna talked with the Selectmen about increasing her budget for the deputy town clerk/tax collector. Randy moved to accept the \$45,750 amount seconded by Steve and approved.

Randy moved to award the town report printing to Skowhegan Press and Francis agreed do the cover. This was seconded by Steve and approved.

Selectmen discussed the tax rate. Steve moved to add \$100,000 from the unreserved fund balance and add to the overlay. Randy and Francis refused to agree or second the motion. Randy moved to accept the \$14.73 tax rate, seconded by Francis and approved. Steve Davis then left the meeting at approximately 8:05 pm.

Francis moved to go into Non-public session at 8:15 pm per RSA 91-A:3, II (b) to discuss hiring a public employee, seconded by Randy and approved. Francis moved to come out of non-public session at 8:30 pm, seconded by Randy and approved.

Selectmen talked with Randy Rugar and he accepted the temporary winter highway position at \$12.00/hr. This is pending a criminal background check and alcohol drug test.

Francis moved to go into Non-public session again at 8:31 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 Randy and approved. Randy moved to come out of non-public session at 8:40 pm, seconded by Francis and approved. No decisions were made.

Randy moved to adjourn the meeting 8:40 pm, seconded by Francis and approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet E. Woolner

Minutes accepted by _____, _____, and _____

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Non-public Minutes (1) December 1, 2009

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Also Present: Randy Rugar

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**TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
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Non-public Minutes (2) December 1, 2009

Present: Randy Morrison, Francis Muzzey, Steve Davis, and Janet Woolner
Also Present:

Francis moved to go into Non-public session again at 8:31 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 Randy and approved. Randy moved to come out of non-public session at 8:40 pm, seconded by Francis and approved. No decisions were made.

Respectfully submitted,

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**TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
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Minutes December 8, 2009

Present: Francis Muzzey, Steve Davis, and Janet Woolner
Also Present: Gini Gove, Chief Kevin Kay, Ellie Murray, Kenyon Karl, Chip Strata,
Larry King, Donna King and Sara Anderson

Francis moved to open the meeting at 6:04 pm, seconded by Steve and approved.

Chief Kay advised he called the highway department out yesterday for sanding and the cruiser had repairs completed last week. Selectmen authorized Chief Kay to purchase the second taser at \$850 for the Police Department.

Francis moved to accept the December 1, 2009 minutes and non-public minutes (x2), seconded by Steve and approved.

Selectmen mentioned they met with the Department of Revenue Administration last Wednesday and set the tax rate at \$14.66 per thousand. Tax bills are scheduled to go out this Thursday.

Selectmen discussed the cover for the Town Report and will review more options and requested a quotation for color on the cover.

Chief Kay advised there is a Public Health Network Coordinator at the Mid State Health facility in Plymouth (536-1731) and would be available as a resource for the town.

Carol Bont from No Cty discussed Capital Improvement Plans and provided a slide show explaining the process.

Donna King asked if someone can replace the light bulbs in her office. She also mentioned the sensor light outside on the building needs to be repaired.

The Town Clerk advised she can renew registrations now by mail each month for the people that have signed up. If they want to do this, it will cost \$1.00 for renewals. She will have signup sheets available and will put information on the web site and in the newspaper.

Francis moved to go into non-public session at 7:48 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 Steve and approved. Francis moved to come out of non-public session at 7:58 pm, seconded by Steve and approved.

Francis moved to go into non-public session at 8:00 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 8:02 pm, seconded by Steve and approved. Selectmen discussed a personnel issue.

Francis moved to go into non-public session at 8:05 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 8:24 pm, seconded by Steve and approved. Selectmen discussed a personnel issue.

Francis moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 pm, seconded by Steve and approved.

Respectfully submitted,

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Non-public Minutes (1) December 8, 2009

Present: Francis Muzzey, Steve Davis, and Janet Woolner
Also Present: Sara Anderson

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Non-public Minutes (2) December 8, 2009

Present: Francis Muzzey, Steve Davis, and Janet Woolner
Also Present:

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Non-Public Minutes (3) December 8, 2009

Present: Francis Muzzey, Steve Davis, and Janet Woolner
Also Present

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Francis moved to go into non-public session at 8:05 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 8:24 pm, seconded by Steve and approved. Selectmen discussed a personnel issue.

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

Minutes December 15, 2009

Present: Francis Muzzey, Steve Davis, Randy Morrison, and Janet Woolner

Also Present: Police Chief Kevin Kay, Ellie Murray, John Vlk, Eugene Garrett, Palmer Koelb, Bobby Cass and Bob Durfee

Francis moved to open the meeting at 6:02 pm, seconded by Randy and approved.

The Highway Road Agent discussed recent repairs needed on the trucks.

Police Chief Kay discussed the reasons for handling police details through a revolving fund. He also said there has been an increase in 911 dispatch calls.

Steve Davis moved to put a warrant article in for the 2010 Town Meeting for a revolving fund to account for this income and expense. This was seconded by Randy and approved. Francis Muzzey said he was not in favor of this warrant article. Steve said he would do the warrant article.

Francis moved to accept the December 8, 2009 minutes and non-public minutes (x2), seconded by Steve and approved

Selectmen signed abatements for Michel Rev Trust, ML 12-01-04, and penalty abatements for M/L 04-02-28, M/L 10-05-01, M/L 10-04-06, M/L 1-03-08, and M/L 05-07-02, 05-07-10 & M/L 5-7-11A.

Bob Durfee discussed additional bridge design costs for the next phase. Steve moved to approve the additional cost for the Saunders Hill Bridge design phase of \$14,957, seconded by Francis and approved by Randy. Randy approved the base bid on the project, with the understanding the Town is not obligated to pay the extra paving cost of the road to Rte 25 which also includes new ditching and new bridge rail.

Francis moved to go into Non-public session at 8:12 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 8:23 pm, seconded by Randy and approved. Selectmen discussed a personnel issue.

Francis moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 pm, seconded by Steve and approved.

Respectfully submitted,

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**TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
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Minutes December 29, 2009

Present: Francis Muzzey, Steve Davis, Randy Morrison, and Janet Woolner

Also Present: Chief Kevin Kay, Ellie Murray, Palmer Koelb, Eugene Garrett, Gini Gove
and Donna King

Francis moved to open the meeting at 6:08, seconded by Steve and approved.

Police Chief Kay stated the town has a new agreement with The Upper Valley Humane Society for this year. Francis moved to sign the Animal Agreement, seconded by Randy and approved.

Selectmen signed the Municipal Assessment Data Sheet Certificate for DRA.

Selectmen approved a septic design for Palumbo M/L 5-3-17.

Selectmen signed abatements for Palmer M/L 05-01-06, Gove M/L08-05-03, Degroat M/L 11-07-33, Fileau M/L 13-03-21, and Stevens M/L 08-10-05. They also signed Intents to Cut for Arden Forest M/L 1-2-15, 1-2-22, & 1-2-12; True M/L 04-08-02,3,14,20; and White Nat'l Forest M/L 14-01-01.

Francis moved to go into non-public per RSA 91-A:33, II (e) at 7:25 pm to discuss pending or threatened litigation against the Town or Town officials, Board Members or employees, seconded by Steve and approved by Randy. Francis moved to come out of non-public session at 8:15 pm, seconded by Randy and approved. Selectmen discussed a pending law suit.

Francis moved to go into non-public session at 8:16 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 8:25 pm, seconded by Randy and approved. Selectmen discussed a personnel issue.

Steve moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:34 pm, seconded by Randy and approved.

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Non-public Minutes (1) December 29, 2009

Present: Francis Muzzey, Steve Davis, Randy Morrison, and Janet Woolner

Also Present:

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Non-public Minutes (2) December 29, 2009

Present: Francis Muzzey, Steve Davis, Randy Morrison, and Janet Woolner

Also Present

Francis moved to go into non-public session at 8:16 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 8:25 pm, seconded by Randy and approved. Selectmen discussed a personnel issue.

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