

TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN
Selectmen's Meeting of March 3, 2015

Present: Steve Davis, Pete Santom, Dave McMullen and Deb Vlk

Also Present: Francis Muzzey, Rob McClay, Palmer Koelb, Duane Brown, John Meade, John DeSorbo, Donna King, Leslie Backstrom, Janice Thompson, Kay Baily, Mark Richardson and William Cass.

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

Chief Kay reported heavy caseloads and cruiser was doing fine. He requested a Non-Public Meeting.

John Meade and John DeSorbo seeking permission from Selectmen to open up the railroad bed on East Side for OHRV traffic. They are seeking permission from landowners also. This will be on a preliminary basis only to see how this succeeds and will be asking permission to further use the snowmobile trail system that is established thru the Baker River Snowmobile Club. Dave made a motion to accept this permission and seconded by Pete.

Steve made a motion to go into non-public session at 6:19PM to discuss Police Dept. issues. Selectmen's Meeting was back in session at 6:30PM with Steve announcing no decisions were made.

Mark Richardson discussed the common bridge, stating that the State will still not fund the money for the effort to build a covered bridge. They will be putting out bids for the removal in May and expect during the middle of the summer for the dismantling of the bridge, with replacement of I-beams and a workable pedestrian bridge. They will work with the town to transfer ownership of the state roads over to the town. John Meade made a proposal before the floor that if the covered bridge that has been acquired, if brought to Wentworth, would the State be willing to put it in place. Mr. Richardson will take this proposal back to committee and get back to the Selectmen at a further date.

Steve Welch brought forth to the Board that the political signs placed up by the school will have to be removed according to RSA 664:17. Chief Kay will remove the signs and hold a week after the town meeting. Steve will be setting up for the town meeting at 4:30PM on March 9th. He will need the microphone for the school meeting.

Privilege of the floor.

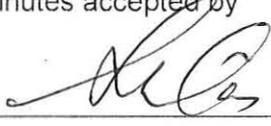
The Board reviewed and signed the following:

- Payroll and Vendor payments
- Minutes of Meeting of Feb 17, 2015

Steve motioned to adjourn the public meeting at 7:17 pm, seconded by Dave and approved.

Respectfully submitted by Deb Vlk

Minutes accepted by

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TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN
Non- Public Minutes (1) of March 03, 2015 Meeting

Present: Steve Davis, Pete Santom, Dave McMullen, and Deb Vlk

Also Present: Kevin Kay

Non-Public Meeting 1

At 6:19 pm, Steve 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. This exemption shall extend to any application for assistance or tax abatement or waiver of a fee, fine, or other levy, if based on inability to pay or poverty of the applicant, seconded by Pete and approved.

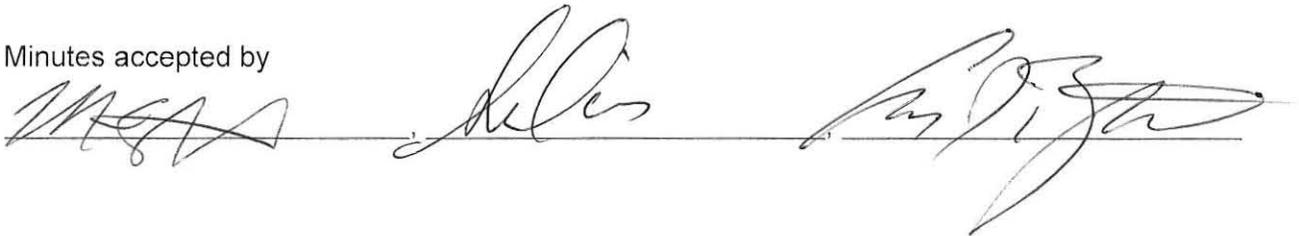
The Board discussed Police Dept staffing.

No decisions were made.

Steve motioned to adjourn the Non-Public meeting at 6:30 pm, seconded by Pete and approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Deb Vlk

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TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN
Minutes of Selectmen's Meeting of March 10, 2015

Present:

Also Present:

TOWN MEETING DAY, THE WAS NO SELECTMEN'S MEETING HELD.

Respectfully submitted by Catherine Stover

TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN
Selectmen's Meeting of March 17, 2015

Present: Steve Davis, Pete Santom, Chris Bassingthwaite and Catherine Stover

Also Present: Ellie Murray, Francis Muzzey, Kay Bailey, Palmer Koelb, Chief Kevin Kay,

Chris Bassingthwaite was sworn in as Selectmen.

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

Donna presented the Board with a document for the Board's review and approval that she act as Town Clerk/Tax Collector.

Pete nominated Steve Davis as Chairman, seconded by Chris and approved.

Steve stated they need to discuss when they will schedule a Bridge meeting. Steve proposed meeting on March 28, pending input from Steve Welch. Steve will contact Steve Welch.

Steve summarized to Chris some of the procedures in place such as Selectmen's orders and payroll.

Chris said he was approached regarding usage of the Town Common. Chris stated that he is familiar with Town Commons being used for the general public, but asked for the Board to explain why there is a requirement to fill out a form to request to use the Town Common. Francis stated that they established an Event Application for use on/at Town owned property, to allow someone to schedule an event without conflicting with someone else scheduling use. Palmer spoke of the liability associated with unlocking the gazebo, and stated that doing so would create an "invitational nuisance". Steve suggested they wait until having input from the town's insurance company and legal. The Board decided to vote on Chris' motion at the next business meeting after they have taken input from the public.

Chief Kay introduced Dean Hanson, of Perfect Wings Motorsports, who is the new manager and promoter of the Raceway. The raceway is still owned by the same owner as last year, Si Allen. He gave the Board a copy of the racing schedule. He also hopes to possibly run on some Saturdays, following approval from the Board. He has reviewed contacting the Fire Department, Ambulance and Police Department for the events. The Board discussed regulations and postings. Francis asked if there were to be any serious altercations of the previous schedule that they discuss with the campground. The Board reviewed and signed the license application.

Chief Kay gave a Police Department status update. The cruiser situation is being looked at. He is also looking towards reviewing his rooster, and may need to put an ad out to begin looking. He is working at keeping the case load above water. The Board thanked him for his input.

Donna asked the Board for permission to have George Morrill remain on her staff as Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector. The Board approved.

Francis requested the Board appoint an ex-officio for the Planning Board. Pete Santom stated he would do so.

Francis read and presented a letter to the Board in regards to discontinuing plowing/maintaining Mica Mine Drive Road, and requested a response from the Board within 30 days.

Francis requested 3 copies of the Planning Board regulations, double sided to give to new members.

The Board review and/or signed the following:

- Minutes of March 3
- Warrant for LUCT for Godfrey, M/L 5-6-1, 5-6-1-1, 5-6-1-2
- Abatement for White, M/L 13-6-2-B13
- Veterans applications (2)
- MS-232
- 2015 Warren Wentworth Ambulance agreement
- Intent to Cut for Palmer M/L 5-1-6 & Kinder M/L 1-3-6
- Warrant for Timber Cut for Anderson, Newbert, Ames

Steve stated that FEMA has accepted the Town's Hazardous Mitigation Plan.

Steve motioned to go into a Non-Public meeting at 7:29 pm, 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. This exemption shall extend to any application for assistance or tax abatement or waiver of a fee, fine, or other levy, if based on inability to pay or poverty of the applicant, seconded by Pete and approved. The Board reviewed a request from a Welfare applicant to write a letter of recommendation of financial need to their Utility Company. The Board directed the office to write a letter. No other decisions were made.

Steve motioned to come out of the non-public meeting at 7:40 pm, seconded by Pete and approved.

Steve motioned to adjourn the public meeting at 7:45 pm, seconded by Pete and approved.

Respectfully submitted by Catherine Stover

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TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN
Non- Public Minutes (1) of March 17, 2015 Meeting

Present: Steve Davis, Pete Santom, Chris Bassingthwaite and Catherine Stover

Also Present: Welfare Applicant

Non-Public Meeting 1

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TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN
Selectmen's Meeting of March 31, 2015

Present: Steve Davis, Pete Santom, Chris Bassingthwaite and Catherine Stover

Also Present: Chief Kevin Kay, Ellie Murray, Francis Muzzey, Kay Bailey, Palmer & Deb Koelb, Melisa Farrell, Ricky Farrell, Makenzie Farrell, John Comeau

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

Steve asked the Board if there were any needed modifications to the agenda. He stated he would like to add an item after the Town Common usage discussion to review the minutes of the meeting that was held Saturday, March 28, unless Chris would like to postpone the subject for a week so that he could review as he was not at the meeting. Chris stated he would like to have the opportunity to review the minutes and the Board decided to discuss the subject at next week's meeting.

Steve asked that the copy of the video recording from Saturday meeting be downloaded to the office computer, to have for Chris for review.

Chief Kay reported that the new cruiser will need to be ordered soon. He will give the Board the information for review, and he discussed with the Board the dealerships he is working with. The Board also discussed with Chief Kay past working experience with Meredith Ford.

Chief Kay stated he has received and reviewed a letter from DOT regarding DOT coming in to look at resetting the speed limit on RT 25a. He stated they are trying to increase the speed limit. He feels the scheduling of a meeting at any time would be fine. Chris asked if he would be giving input, Chief Kay said he would.

Chief Kay said they are getting caught up in cases, trying to close some stuff out. Officer Hill has been assisting. Chief Kay discussed increases in pay for patrol. Right now they are \$17.00 per hour for officers; he recommends \$20/hr for fully certified officers, and \$18/hr for those partially certified. Chief Kay said it does not impact the budget. Steve asked where other towns were at. Chief Kay stated we are not at the bottom, but at the lower end of the range. The Board approved the increase as long as it stays within the budget.

The Board discussed the Town Common gazebo usage. Chris said his motion would be to open the gazebo to the public. Steve said the motion was open and accepted. Chris also stated that he would like to also continue to have Event Applications used for group gatherings larger than 30 in attendance. Francis asked what about smaller groups. Chris said they would not need a permit. Palmer stated he wished to correct the title, it is not a gazebo, it is a bandstand. Steve stated the motion has been made and seconded. Steve stated by order of the Board of Selectmen the lock will be removed. Palmer said he will take the lock off. Steve stated that the Board will need to have the combination to the lower area, Palmer stated the chairs belong to the band and there was a discussion regarding whether the electric outlets below are up to code. Steve made a motion to have the electrical be inspected; the Board seconded and approved the motion. Chris asked Palmer about square dancing at the Town Hall and asked if there was an Event Application. Palmer said it was done years ago. Chris asked that if none was found, if he would fill out a new application. Palmer said he would.

The Board reviewed and approved the Warrant to recommit taxes for the Tax Collector, Donna King. Steve stated there will be a tax increase on the next billing due to the school budget increase. Kay Bailey asked for clarification of which billing the increase will be on. Steve said on the next billing.

Steve discussed a document addressed to Nancy Mayville, of the DOT regarding the Town's request for State Bridge Aid for the Frescoln and Rowentown Bridges. Steve discussed the Engineering study to be done.

Steve discussed an Event Application received from Jen Meade for use of the Town Hall on April 18th, 10 am – 11:30 am, for a meeting of Friends of the Town Bridge. The Board waived the usage fees. The Board reviewed and discussed an Event Application received for the use of the Town Hall on April 18th, from 7 pm – 10 pm. The Board waived the usage fees, and Ellie stated she would assist in letting the groups in and out of the Town Hall.

The Board reviewed and discussed Septic Design for Camp Pemi, M/L 04-03-06. The Board stamped and signed the design which will be sent to the State.

The Board reviewed and/or signed the following:

- Minutes of March 3 & March 17
- Abatement for Wilms regarding a timber tax penalty
- Intent to Cut for Brady M/L 13-04-06 & Van Norden, M/L 5-8-20
- Report of Cut Warrant for Conkey M/L 12-01-04
- letter to Arthur Stout regarding East Side Road

The Board discussed John Emery's request to place an ad to add a 3rd highway employee, and requested to ask him to come in and discuss with the board the need for a third employee. Steve stated he wishes John to give the Board a detailed daily task list for what John thinks 3 people will do from May through September.

Ellie stated there are quite a few pot holes on East Side road. Steve said there has been no repair work done yet, but realizes that the trees cause issues and the Board discussed the need to remove some of the trees. Steve stated the town needs to come up with a 10 year plan for repairing the roads. Steve stated that they need to talk to the Fire Department and Highway Department about doing a training of maintenance of Thayer Bridge, past Vlk Mtn road. Steve asked that this be added to the New Business section of the Agenda to speak with John and Jeff Ames about bridge maintenance.

Steve motioned to go into a Non-Public Meeting at 7:00 pm, per RSA 91-A:3, II(e) – Consideration or negotiation of pending claims or litigation which has been threatened in writing or filed against the public body or any subdivision thereof, or against any member thereof because of his or her membership in such public body, until the claim or litigation has been fully adjudicated or otherwise settled. Any application filed for tax abatement, pursuant to law, with anybody or board shall not constitute a threatened or filed litigation against any public body for the purposes of this subparagraph, seconded by Pete and approved. The Board discussed 2 legal matters and discussed input received from legal. Steve motioned to come out of the Non-Public meeting at 7:10 pm, seconded by Chris and approved.

Steve motioned to go into a Non-Public Meeting at 7:11 pm, RSA 91-A:3, II(g) Consideration of security-related issues bearing on the immediate safety of security personnel or inmates at the county correctional facilities by county correctional superintendents or their designees, seconded by Pete and approved. The Board met with Chief Kay to discuss a police matter. No decisions were made. Steve motioned to come out of the Non-Public meeting at 7:15 pm, seconded by Chris and approved.

Chris motioned to adjourn the public meeting at 7:15 pm, seconded by Steve and Pete and approved.

Respectfully submitted by Catherine Stover

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Respectfully submitted,
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TOWN OF WENTWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN
Non- Public Minutes (2) of March 31, 2015 Meeting

Present: Steve Davis, Pete Santom, Chris Bassingthwaite and Catherine Stover

Also Present: Chief Kevin Kay

Non-Public Meeting 2

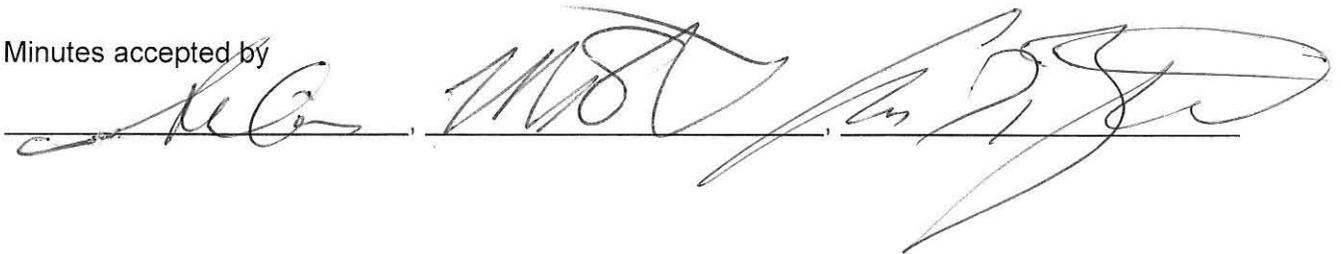
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