Selectboard Meeting Minutes

Meeting Location: Town Offices  Date: August 28, 2014

Meeting Opened: 7:00 PM  Meeting Adjourned: 9:15 PM

- Jay Jacobs, Chair  present
- Charles Michal  present
- Seth Kallman  present

Selectmen voted to go into Executive Session at 7:05 PM to discuss with Chief Wayne Derosia a matter involving town personnel. Selectmen came out of Executive Session at 7:30 PM. Minutes were voted to be sealed.

Documents signed or reviewed:
Approval of the Meeting Minutes for August 21, 2014 signed by Jay and Seth. Charles abstained as he had not been present.

Review of financials.
Selectmen noted the State has introduced a new MS-434 Form to replace the old MS-4 (Revised Estimate of Revenues). Selectmen will need to work with staff (Tax Collector and Town Clerk) to establish final estimates of certain line items. The work calendar does not allow us to complete this by the State’s desired due date. Selectmen would like to hold a work session on September 9th (during polling) at which time we would complete and sign this form. Town Clerk Donna Stone is asked to provide her own estimate of line 3210 and 3220 revenues. Tax Collector Laurie Rathburn is asked to provide an estimate of tax revenues (lines 3120 through 3190).

Department Items:
Fire Department - Selectmen met with Chief Wayne Derosia of the Fire Department. Wayne reviewed records of ‘year to date incident participation’. It continues to be extremely difficult for Wayne to maintain a fully trained, responsive volunteer fire-department. Selectmen agree that Wayne works extremely hard at building and maintaining the current department. His meetings with State Fire Academy personnel at the State level remain unproductive, as the Academy continues to escalate training requirements in a manner that is forcing rural towns into an untenable situation to move toward a full-time, paid Fire Department. Jay Jacobs has been talking with Andrew Manevel about preparing a position paper on what the Town’s insurance carrier believes is the minimum necessary training for providing insurance coverage on the towns volunteers.

Highway Department – Wes Tarr updated the Board on planned paving of Prospect Street, with completion expected by October 1st. Brox Paving Company will be doing the work for the Town.

Assessing – Selectmen signed the 2014 MS-1 as prepared by Assessor Lynn Cook.

Conservation Commission – submitted meeting minutes for August 2, 2014.

Trustees of the Trust Fund – Authorization to Transfer Funds in the amount of $375.00 from the Town’s General Funds to be deposited into the Cemetery Maintenance Trust account.


Other business:
Angela reports that Allan Saari came in Tuesday requesting to see the Conservation Meeting Minutes which were not available. Angela emailed a draft of the minutes on Wednesday to Mr. Saari. He stated that the HCC has 5 days to make them available to the public “subject to review at the next meeting”. This phrase may need to be included in the Land Use Boards meeting minutes in the future. The School Board was also addressed regarding the timeliness of their minutes and have adopted the phrase as a way to notify individuals that the minutes are/or may be subject to change.
Governor’s Newsletter for August 2014.


**Upcoming Meetings:**

September 1st – Labor Day (Office Closed)

September 9th – Primary Elections

September 11th – NH DES Dam Bureau representatives; Grace Lovengood and Brian Deffoser will meet with the select Board at 7pm to discuss the Seaver Dam.