

**Selectmen's Meeting Minutes**  
**Tuesday, August 20, 2013**

Present: Chairman Krieger, Selectman Ives and Selectman Bowles.

Also present: State Senator John Reagan, Fire Chief Rick Wright and Road Agent Dave Rice.

Chairman Krieger called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

- I. Selectman Ives moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, August 13, 2013 as written. Seconded by Selectman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.
  
- II. Chairman Krieger recognized Senator Reagan and thanked him for attending the meeting.
  - a. Senator Reagan asked the Board if they have anything in particular the Board wanted to discuss with him. Chairman Krieger explained that the Town will soon be facing whether or not 106 will be widened. Senator Reagan said that is handled by the DOT and it has to be in the plan. He said he doesn't think a special piece of legislation for that would fly because then everybody would say what about my town. Chairman Krieger said he understands it would be a huge bill for this to happen and the Town doesn't have the money to help with a project like that. Selectman Bowles said he understood that a project like this could be moved up the roster if there is private money coming in, he said that there are a lot more state roads in the area that need more attention than widening the road. Selectman Bowles said that the projections for traffic on 106 that were done back in the 90's were way off; everyday traffic has not increased as much as anticipated. Selectman Bowles said they are looking for things like the two intersections in town that have had deaths as the kinds of things they want to see moved up the roster.
  - b. Chairman Krieger asked if there has been any feedback on the high speed tolls. Senator Reagan said they already knew it would work, it's been working in New Jersey and in Hampton.
  - c. Selectman Ives explained that during the last race they had a command center set up, state police, track people, town fire and police, and other state agencies; everyone worked well together. He explained that they will do it again at the next race.
  - d. Senator Reagan said that they brought the budget in with a 3% increase with realistic revenue numbers. Senator Reagan said the state is in pretty good condition.
  - e. The Board thanked Senator Reagan for coming in. Senator Reagan said that he is available anytime to come in or by phone or email.
  
- III. The Board met with Road Agent Dave Rice.
  - a. Mr. Rice said they are working on some of the dirt roads and getting ready to do Hemlock Hill and Plateau Ridge. Chairman Krieger asked if Mr. Rice will need help with flagging. Mr. Rice said that the guys were pretty upset about flagging on Mudgett Hill Road. Selectman Bowles said that they can't do the paving and they generally aren't off doing anything else so flagging can be part of what they do. Chairman Krieger said that if they are running behind on other projects and need help Dave needs to let the Selectmen know. Mr. Rice said they are not running

behind, if everything works out they should have Hemlock Hill and Plateau Ridge paved by the 30<sup>th</sup> and then it's shoulder gravel there and on a couple of other town roads like Lower Ridge Road. Chairman Krieger said Lower Ridge needs to be fixed as soon as possible.

- b. Mr. Rice said one of the trucks needs to go in to get a rear main seal fixed its leaking pretty good.
- c. Mr. Rice said that the price for salt went up a little bit. He said they've been dealing with International so they are staying with them.
- d. Chairman Krieger said that they received a letter from a resident on Village Road regarding drainage on her property. Mr. Rice said they aren't responsible for a culvert in the driveway but they are going to repave the swale and incorporate her apron into it. Chairman Krieger asked Mr. Rice to contact the property owner and let her know what they intend to do.
- e. Mr. Rice spoke to someone about getting his pickup lettered.

IV. The Board met with Fire Chief Rick Wright.

- a. Chief Wright explained that he received an appraisal for the old engine 2 from Lakes Region Fire Apparatus.
- b. Chief Wright said they had pump and cistern training the previous night. He said they filled all the cisterns. There were two that were down over 5000 gallons each. Selectman Bowles asked if that would be from evaporation. Chief Wright said he would think there is a leak because of the amount of water, he was told they were full when they were built but he wasn't there. He explained that from this point on they will keep track of it.
- c. Chief Wright explained that as requested by the Board a couple of weeks ago, they inspected the food vendors at Old Home Day and everything was good.
- d. Chief Wright said they are expecting Chichester to sign the lease agreement tonight.
- e. Chief Wright explained that Mike Souther, scuba diver, went down and checked the pipe and strainer at the Village Road dry hydrant. Chief Wright said that they believe the problem is at the underground elbow where the vertical & horizontal pipes meet. Chief Wright said it will need to be excavated from the parking lot. Chairman Krieger asked if this is something the highway department can do. Selectman Bowles said no but Mike Labonte has a mini excavator. Selectman Ives said that Jim McNeil has a bobcat and might be able to do it. Selectman Ives also suggested Kenny Magoon. Selectman Bowles told Chief Wright to get either Jim or Mike if neither of them is available give Kenny Magoon a call. Chief Wright asked if they want him to get prices. The Board agreed.
- f. Chief Wright said that he will be starting an EMT-B class on September 9.
- g. Chief Wright said that the deadline for the Fire Department Deputy Chief position has passed and they have four applications. Chief Wright asked Selectman Ives to assist him with the interview process. He explained that they would like to have the position filled by September 1, 2013.
- h. Chief Wright said that Mike Souther and Steve Roy needed to be thanked for helping the Town out. Chairman Krieger agreed and said he didn't realize Paul and Darlene Johnson of Best Septic pumped the tank at Station 2 for free during the

rages. Chief Wright said he didn't know until a few days ago when he called asking about a bill. The Board thanks them for their generous donation.

- i. Selectman Ives said that he mentioned to Chief Wright that it's not necessary to attend their meeting every week. Selectman Bowles said that they generally like to see department heads twice a month; he said that it's nice to see the whole group for Board of Permit, the second Tuesday of each month.

V. The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

- a. The Board received a memo from Upton & Hatfield regarding Fairpoint Litigation. The board will each get a copy and review the questions.
- b. The Board received copies of memos from Fire Chief Wright which they discussed earlier.
- c. The Board received a copy of a memo that went to Map 59, Lot 56 property owners from the Code Enforcement Office regarding issues at that property with the renters.
- d. The Board received a copy of a letter from a Village Road property owner regarding the drainage ditch on the side of her property. The Board discussed it earlier with Mr. Rice.
- e. The Board received five (5) overdue ambulance bills for their review. Selectman Bowles made a motion to send the following ambulance bills to collection; account 2506 in the amount of \$673.60, account 2138 in the amount of \$138.88, account 2026 in the amount of \$477.11, account 1914 in the amount of \$115.50, account in the amount of \$495.90. Seconded by Selectman Ives. All in favor. Motion carried.
- f. The Board received a copy of the John O. Cate Van Association Meetings Minutes for May 30 and June 24.
- g. The Board received a NH Bar Association Foreclosure Relief Clinic notification.
- h. The Board received a scholarship thank you.

VI. The Board received the reminder that Tuesday, August 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm the Board is meeting with Government Policy Solutions and NHMS regarding the GACIT hearings.

Selectman Ives moved to adjourn at 6:47 P.M. Seconded by Selectman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.

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Robert P. Krieger, *Chairman*

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Steven R. Ives, Selectman

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Dustin J. Bowles, Selectman