



TOWN OF NEW LONDON, NEW HAMPSHIRE

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BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES February 26, 2018 6:00 PM

PRESENT:

G. William Helm, Jr., Chairman
Nancy Rollins, Selectman
Janet Kidder, Selectman
Kim Hallquist, Town Administrator

ALSO PRESENT:

John Raby, *Intertown Record*
Phyllis Piotrow, Town of New London resident

Chair Helm called the meeting to order at 6:00PM.

Public Comments

Phyllis Piotrow asked whether there were any places in town that have specific regulations prohibiting the presence of guns. She also made a recommendation on who to dedicate the town report to for next year.

New Business

Consider transfer of funds from Town Buildings CRF to complete fire station repairs.

The financial information wasn't available for the meeting. This will be deferred until the next meeting.

Consider appointment of David Royle to the Planning Board.

Selectman Rollins stated that Mr. Royle is interested in being on the Planning Board and understands this would be as an alternate. Mr. Royle has lived in New London for 50+ years and has served on other committees as well. He has an interest in planning and has recently worked with age friendly communities.

Selectman Kidder feels that Mr. Royle would be a great addition and he cares about the community. She feels input should be obtained from Paul Gorman the Chair of the Planning Board, as well.

The appointment will be considered after Town Meeting in March when all committee appointments will be considered.

Town Administrators Report

Kim Hallquist provided the following report:

- Public Works Director Search – Ms. Hallquist reported that the deadline for submitting applications is Friday. There are twelve applicants so far.

There will be two committees, one is the Expert Committee and the other is a citizens committee. The Expert Committee will consist of 3 or 4 public works directors that will look at resumes and select the ones that they think are best to be interviewed by the Citizens Committee. The Citizens Committee will then select their first, second and third choices and those candidates will go before the Selectmen for a final interview.

The goal is to hire by May 2018 so that the successful candidate can work with Richard Lee prior to his departure at the end of June. The earliest the Citizens Committee can meet is the end of March and then the Selectmen could do their interviews the beginning of April. These are non-public interviews.

Phyllis Piotrow asked who would negotiate the salary for this position. The Selectmen decide this and once it is done it will be disclosed.

- Ms. Hallquist attended the Edna McKenna Community Corrections Center grand opening in Boscawen. The Center looks nice and corrections officials are optimistic it will help with recidivism among the inmate population.
- Colby-Sawyer College offered the town the use of the Sawyer Center for town meeting, however the location is set far in advance, and will take place at the Kearsarge Learning Campus/Outing Club as it has in the past. Ms. Hallquist thanked the college for the offer.
- Ms. Hallquist distributed the warrant with selectmen's town meeting assignments; asking if anyone would like to change their assignment to let her know.
- Ms. Hallquist distributed a copy of the audit report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017. If there are questions, she can put it on the next agenda to discuss.
- Ms. Hallquist noted that Gary Faccone will be doing a town wide cleanup day and has asked that he be allowed to close the municipal parking lot on Main Street on May 5th as a staging area and for volunteers to bring the collected trash at the end of the day. Mr. Faccone expects about 100 people collecting trash along road sides. At the end of the day, all of the bags of trash will be piled there to show the amount of trash that gets tossed along the sides of the roads. Ms. Hallquist spoke with Richard Lee about this and he doesn't have a problem with this. The Board noted that May 5th is Colby-Sawyer College graduation weekend and the Hospital is having an event at Clarke's as part of its 100th anniversary celebration, so it was felt this would not be a good weekend to do this. Another date will be chosen. Selectman Rollins suggested that Mr. Faccone speak with Dan Wolf at the New London Inn to see if they have any events that might need the parking lot, or that would be impacted by having trash piled up on a Saturday.
- Chair Helm asked Selectman Kidder about plans to celebrate the Centennial for Whipple Memorial Town Hall. Selectman Kidder noted that she has contacted Jim Perkins to see what dates were good and she is waiting to hear back.

Meeting Minutes

IT WAS MOVED (Nancy Rollins) AND SECONDED (Janet Kidder) to approve the minutes, with spelling corrections, of the January 31, 2018, February 5, 2018 and February 14, 2018 meetings. THE MOTION WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

IT WAS MOVED (Janet Kidder) AND SECONDED (Nancy Rollins) to enter into a nonpublic session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II (a): the dismissal, promotion, or compensation of any public employee or the disciplining of such employee.

Roll call vote: Helm: Yes, Kidder: Yes, Rollins: Yes

The Board entered nonpublic session at 6:30 PM.

The Board reentered the public session at 7:15 PM.

IT WAS MOVED (Janet Kidder) AND SECONDED (Nancy Rollins) to seal the nonpublic session meeting minutes. THE MOTION WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

Items to be signed

- Payroll Authorization Voucher
- Accounts Payable Voucher
- Certification of Posting
- Sewer Easement and Betterment Assessment
- Eversource – Pole Licenses
- Applications for Veteran Tax Credit
- March Birthday Cards
- Applications To Use Town Property
 - ✓ Whipple Hall on May 24 – 27, 2018 from 10:00 am to 9:30 pm for “One Man Show by Andrew Miller” by Judy Lowe for the Sunapee Kearsarge Intercommunity Theatre.
 - ✓ Whipple Hall on Saturday, May 12, 2018 from 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm for Simon Brooks Storyteller Children’s Event by Nicole Southworth for the Center for the Arts.
 - ✓ Whipple Hall on Saturday & Sunday, October 6 & 7, 2018 from 9:00 am to 8:00 pm for Open Studios Art Event by Nicole Southworth for the Center for the Arts.
 - ✓ Sydney Crook Conf. Room, Town Common/Bandstand, NL Inn Common & Little Common on Wednesday to Monday, August 1 – 6, 2018 for the entire day for the NL Hospital Days by Lisa Cohen for the NL Hospital.

Applications Approved &/or Denied

Building Permits

- Jennifer Esten, 881 Pleasant Street, TM 036-003-000. Commercial interior set up for new tenant. BP 18-003 Approved 2/6/18
- Edgar Condict Jr., 65 Gould Street, TM 085-008-000. Install 8.32kw roof top solar array. BP 18-005 Approved 2/6/18
- Edward Hoyt & Maureen Connolly, 95 Rowell Hill Road, TM 123-030-000. Reroof & interior renovations. BP 18-006 Approved 2/8/18
- Brent & Ann Kern, 58 Westside Drive, TM 055-012-003. Add dormer & master bed/bath over garage. BP 18-008 Approved 2/21/18
- Matthew Rockacy, 38 Ponds Edge Lane, TM 106-013-006. Existing deck converted to screen porch. BP 18-009 Approved 2/14/18
- Morgan Point LLC, 12 Lovering Lane, TM 048-059-000. Existing deck converted to bakery space. BP 18-0010 Approved 2/20/18

The Board voted to adjourn the meeting at 7:28 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Trina Dawson, Recording Secretary
Town of New London