



**Board of Selectmen Meeting
Town Office
Wednesday, 8/7/2019 – Approved 8/21/19
6:00 PM**

MINUTES

Present: Selectmen: Bob Hamilton, Roberta Oeser, Karl Pruter, Executive Secretary Michele Christian, Finance Director Laurie May Members of the community: Sharon Rasku, Holly Koski, Debra Qualey, Roniele Hamilton, Judy Unger-Clark, Craig Clark, Bette Comerford, Jim Qualey, Tim Rousseau, Ron Osimo, Arthur & Lauralei Knight.

CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was opened at 5:30. Roberta made a motion to enter a nonpublic session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3 II (a) for personnel, seconded by Karl. Roll Call Vote: Bob – yes, Roberta – yes, Karl – yes. Approved 3-0-0. The Board returned to public session at 6:03 and opened the public meeting at 6:08 with the Pledge of Allegiance.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Selectmen's Announcements – Karl announced that the Farmer's Market will be held Thursday from 3-6 PM on the West Rindge Common.

Citizen's Forum

Tim Rousseau was at the planning board meeting last night and he stated that Tim Halliday's property across from his. He stated that there is a cease and desist order in motion and it sounds like it is going to get cleared up. He stated that there aren't any permits that have been obtained and there are not any wetlands encroachment permits. He wants to know what the town has done on this issue. Bob stated that he spoke with Dave Duvernay and the site is being cleaned up. It was stated at the Planning Board meeting that this is a DES issue. Tim Rousseau stated that he probably should file a complaint with DES as an abutter. He asked if the State of NH is an abutter to the Halliday property. Roberta stated that the state is not considered an abutter because of the road. Bob stated that a two week notice should be given if there is an infraction of the use of

land and after that fines should be imposed. Rousseau stated that he wants to know what went on prior to the cease and desist order. He also wants to know how Halliday was able to work on the land without permits. Roberta stated that you can clear you land and get it ready for sale. Rousseau said that the work goes beyond clearing the land for sale. Roberta stated that a site engineer will have to go in and delineate the setbacks from the wetlands. Roni Hamilton stated that Rousseau should be put on the agenda for the next planning board meeting. Roberta stated that it is not a planning board issue it is a code enforcement issue.

Jim Qualey stated that the Board can't give Mr. Rousseau legal advice and that he should consult a lawyer. Roberta stated that Mr. Rousseau has a three family on his property and that he did not have a permit for a multi-family. Mr. Rousseau said that he purchased a non-conforming multi-family home. He went before the ZBA and was allowed a variance for the 3.25 acres to bring it up to code. He updated the home and the property.

Holly Koski asked if the Planning Director had sent a letter with regard to this to the Selectmen. They have not yet received anything from the Planning Department.

Changes to the Consent Agenda - A special events form was added to the consent agenda.

Bob made a motion to add the special events permit to the consent agenda seconded by Roberta. Approved 3-0-0

1. Consent Agenda

2. Approval of:

- **Minutes 8/7/19**
- **Payroll 8/1/19, 8/8/19**
- **Accounts payable 8/1/19, 8/8/19**

Roberta made a motion to approve the consent agenda as well as the special events permit, seconded by Karl. Approved 3-0-0

Old Business:

a) Paving Budget Transfer

Roberta made a motion to transfer \$16,000.00 from the paving projects to the wage pool line item, seconded by Karl. Approved 3-0-0

Bob said that Chief Anair spoke to him about the transfer that was made in the police department budget. There was \$10,000 taken from the wages line and \$5,000 from benefits and put them into the wage pool. The Chief would like to reverse those figures

and take \$5,000 from wages and \$10,000 from benefits. Roberta stated that the department heads need to know that they cannot overspend their operating budget. Roberta said that they should leave it the way it is. Roberta stated that the Chief cannot spend the wages and benefits in his operating budget. Bob said that he confirmed this with the Chief.

Bob made a motion that the transfers be changed to \$5,000 from wages and \$10,000 from benefits, seconded by Roberta. Approved 3-0-0

Bob said that the Chief had a budget that was approved by the BAC, the BOS and the voters and he doesn't want to be held responsible if he goes over budget because of the \$15,000 that was taken. Roberta said that he cannot over spend his operating budget.

b) Advertising for Town Clerk

Bob stated that we would be looking for a part-time temporary assistant town clerk with the expectation for this candidate to run in March for the full-time position. This position would require the candidate to be Rindge residents. Roberta stated there can only be one deputy but there can be an assistant. Bob stated that he would rather not know who the candidates are. The last date for the applications would be August 30th.

3) New Business

a) Motor Vehicle rebate request

There is a request for a motor vehicle rebate that came from Nancy Martin the town clerk. The price was adjusted on the vehicle after the registration went through. Roberta made a motion to approve a refund of \$230.54 to Rosemary Couture, seconded by Karl. Approved 3-0-0

Committee Updates/Information/Communications

Roberta asked where we are LED lighting. Bob stated that Pat Martin is working on it.

The Tour de Common had 80 runners and no rain this year. Karl stated that the soccer is opening and there is a possibility of a British soccer training camp. The playscape is being worked on. They are going to paint the bus from yellow to white.

Other Business

Laurie said that if we go over on the budget DRA has said that we can request money from the unassigned fund balance.

Roberta made a motion to adjourn seconded by Bob. Approved 3-0-0

Adjournment 7:00 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Michele Christian

Executive Secretary