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BOARD MEETING MINUTES
December 5, 2019
9:00 A.M.

Selectmen Present: Daniel Baker, Robyn Bates, Charles Kenison

Mr. Baker called the meeting to order at 9 a.m.

PRIMARY:

9:00 PUBLIC COMMENT – No comment

***** APPROVE MANIFESTS**

Ms. Bates made a motion to approve the manifests. Mr. Kenison seconded. Mr. Baker – Yes, Ms. Bates - Yes, Mr. Kenison - Yes. Approved – 3-0

***** REVIEW SIGNATURE FOLDER** – The Selectmen reviewed and signed.

***** REVIEW RESPONSE - 1772 FOUNDATION GRANT LETTER OF INTENT**

Ms. Favreau shared that municipalities were not eligible to apply.

9:15 MEET WITH MARK STETSON – AVITAR ASSOCIATES – NON PUBLIC SESSION RSA 91A:3 II (e) – LEGAL

Mark Stetson shared that the property sales become the basis of the new valuations. Mr. Stetson stated that the market value according to sales has risen approximately 4%. Mr. Stetson noted that the DRA would incorporate the increase next year. Discussion was held on DRA asking that the revaluation schedules in cooperative school districts to be held at the same time. Mr. Stetson shared that the market was changing at the same rate and he didn't see any significant changes.

The Selectmen signed the DRA paperwork that Mr. Stetson needed to send in. Fitzwilliam's next revaluation would be 2022. Mr. Baker asked if there was an issue with trespassing. Mr. Stetson stated there wasn't.

At 9:16 a.m. Ms. Bates made a motion to go into non-public session under RSA 91-A:3 II(e). Mr. Kenison seconded and the motion passed 3-0. Roll Call vote: Mr. Baker – Yes, Ms. Bates - Yes, Mr. Kenison - Yes.

At 9:49 a.m. Ms. Bates made a motion to leave non-public session and seal the minutes as disclosure would adversely affect the reputation of the person other than a member of the board. Mr. Kenison seconded and the motion passed 3-0. Roll Call vote: Mr. Baker – Yes, Ms. Bates - Yes, Mr. Kenison - Yes.

10:00 MEET WITH POLICE CHIEF LEONARD DISALVO

- Review letter of concern from Phyllis Peterson - Weight Limit, No Thru Trucks and Speed Limit Signs on Rte 119 side of Richmond Road and Rhododendron Road only

Chief Leonard DiSalvo shared a sample ordinance - RSA 265-9 – and a diagram how it should be marked. A public hearing would be needed to change the ordinance. Gene Cuomo shared that the problem would be that GPS directs drivers through Richmond Road. Discussion was held on how to circumvent the traffic on Richmond Road, sign postings and what would constitute a violation, the complaint was due to speed and monitoring suggesting that speeding was minimal, reduce the speed limit – Mr. Cuomo stated the lowest would be 25 MPH, enforceable and it would be over time to see results.

Ms. Favreau asked if the RSA should be included in the ordinance. Chief DiSalvo thought to just reference the RSA. Ms. Favreau asked if we should wait and postpone the public hearing until January and in the meantime put an article in the newsletter. Mr. Baker stated if trying to change to a one-way would be beneficial to have a public hearing. Mr. Cuomo mentioned that trying to change Richmond Road to a one-way several years ago wasn't received well.

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Mr. Baker mentioned that there was a process to update GPS and Google Maps. Mr. Baker suggested the change that would be less impactful. Chief DiSalvo mentioned that the radar could be set up again if the road was changed to one-way.

Discussion was held on some roads having 2 different speed limits, missing signs and trying to coordinate the signs, speed limit change doesn't require a public hearing, changing the speed limit from 30 to 25 for all of Richmond Road. Hold a public hearing and put notice in the newsletter. The Selectmen's office would contact the companies that provide directions (GPS, Garmin, Google Maps, etc.) to request an update.

Mr. Kenison asked when the radar board show the speed. Chief DiSalvo shared that it was dependent upon the angle. It was noted that it picks up the lead car.

***** NON-PUBLIC SESSION - RSA 91-A:3 II(e) – LEGAL
- Latest Filing with the Court**

At 9:52 a.m. Ms. Bates made a motion to go into non-public session under RSA 91-A:3 II(e). Mr. Kenison seconded and the motion passed 3-0. Roll Call vote: Mr. Baker – Yes, Ms. Bates - Yes, Mr. Kenison - Yes.

At 10:08 a.m. Ms. Bates made a motion to leave non-public session and seal the minutes as disclosure would adversely affect the reputation of the person other than a member of the board. Mr. Kenison seconded and the motion passed 3-0. Roll Call vote: Mr. Baker – Yes, Ms. Bates - Yes, Mr. Kenison - Yes.

***** BUDGETS – REVIEW
- Fire & Ambulance
- Emergency Management
- Cemetery**

The Selectmen reviewed and discussed. Ms. Favreau shared that in years past, Ambulance intercept billing was paid out of the ambulance revolving fund – 50% of the annual income was transferred to the general fund for the operating costs. Ms. Favreau was concerned that the fund would be depleted because we are not generating income. Ms. Favreau asked if the invoice for unpaid transports should be paid out of the ambulance budget this year. Ms. Favreau questioned whether the ambulance fee should come out of the ambulance fund. It was noted that we are outsourcing what would have been internal. The Selectmen agreed.

ON-GOING BUSINESS:

***** STEEPLE PROJECT** - The Selectmen discussed the e-mails from Mr. Southgate regarding moldings. Ms. Bates asked if someone local does intricate work. The Selectmen agreed to reach out to the 3 local people. Discussion was held on the condition of the steeple, lantern and the clock tower. It would be expensive to take the clock tower apart. Ms. Bates suggested talking with John Fitzwilliam, Chair of the Historic District Commission to find out what would be the most impactful to restore, since the LCHIP grant didn't come through. The Selectmen agreed to look at finding someone that does salvage/restoration. It was noted that Ross Tourigny, Kerry Gagne and Wade Leventry would be contacted. Mr. Baker would follow-up with Mr. Southgate.

***** PRIME WETLANDS PROJECT**

***** AMBULANCE SERVICE**

***** SOLAR - REVIEW AMY MANZELLI EMAIL**

***** TOWN-WIDE ISSUES TO BE ADDRESSED AND THEIR ENFORCEMENT**

- Unregistered vehicles
- Debris and junk in yards

Ms. Favreau shared that Ginger Doerpholz has complained about logging done by Bradley Jacques and that he was selling cordwood. Ms. Favreau asked if the Selectmen wanted to check into or have Justin Killeen. Ms. Bates asked who could be contacted to make sure there wasn't any violation. The Selectmen would do a drive by. Ms. Favreau would contact the forester.

INFORMATION

- NHDES – Whites Grove Road and Castle Court - Map 7, Lot 7 – *For Information Only*
- Cheshire County Board of Commissioners Proposed 2020 Budget

Meeting Schedule:

- 9:00 a.m. - Thursday, December 5, 2019
- 7:00 p.m. - Wednesday, December 11, 2019
- 9:00 a.m. - Thursday, December 19, 2019

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Ms. Bates made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:03 a.m. Mr. Kenison seconded and the motion passed. 3-0

Submitted by:

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Secretary to the Board of Selectmen

Daniel Baker, Chairman

Robyn Bates

Charles Kenison
Board of Selectmen