



Selectmen Meeting 6/27/2017

Approved Minutes

Present: Selectmen Louise Lavoie, Bernie O'Grady; Kathy Wile, Brenda Wiley, Pat Letourneau

Called to Order: The meeting was called to order by Louise at 7:30 PM.

Approvals:

- Noted that Payroll and Accounts Payable Manifests had been signed.
- Minutes of the June 13, 2017 BOS meeting were reviewed, a correction made to clarify the Town Hall floor is to be refinished not replaced with the gift. Bernie moved to accept the minutes as amended, second by Louise; minutes accepted as amended. Further noted that Wally should get bids for that project, he is looking to have it done in August.
- A thank you letter to the Wolf Rockers for their donation was read and signed by selectmen.

New Business:

- A sample volunteer agreement/release form had been received from Primex, to modify for Town use for the 250th celebration. It was advised that the Town already had one that had been vetted by town counsel, and could be accessed from the unofficial town website.
- Grant writer proposal should be forthcoming this week, and will offer various levels of his time commitment along with identified resources for contact.

Old Business:

- Nicole Ruggiero requested that she be allowed to expand the area that alcohol can be served at the Driving Range. Selectmen stated they cannot make a decision on that, as it relates to the original exception granted when they began to serve alcohol. The process will be to contact BOA open an application requesting an expansion of the terms of the original exception. She was advised to check with her attorney to confirm the process, and also advised that the next BOA meeting is scheduled for 7/17, and contact the clerk (Connie Lacasse) about being on the agenda.
- Bob Laroche and Barbara Devore, representing CC, presented a letter requesting the BOS accept a donation from NH Charitable Foundation for restoration of the Rail Trail. It was reviewed, and revisions requested at the previous meeting were noted and approved. Louise moved to accept a grant from NHCF of \$40,970, to be used for the restoration, repair and maintenance of the Mason Rail Trail. Bernie seconds, unanimous vote to accept the grant.
Barbara Devore thanked the Board, and added that the check should be arriving in time for the next BOS meeting and she can provide the GrantID number at that time.

Informational Items/Communication:

- Road Agent Dave Morrison had sent an update on vehicle repairs and new issues that had arisen. Selectmen decided to postpone discussion until both Dave and Charlie were able to attend, they all have a chance to get updated budget numbers from Brenda, and will set a time to meet next week once Charlie is back from vacation.

Public Forum:

- John Lewicke talked about internet service, that much of the federal funding given for remote access went up north and west, and that TDS and Fairpoint were quietly not willing to expand into each other's territory. Further general venting about internet service by multiple people present. John also said that the state has about \$36 million dollars that will be made available to cities and towns for roads and bridges. This would be in addition to the block grant, and that Mason should expect to receive approximately \$72,000.
- Barbara Devore offered that the grant for the 250th celebration, to cover cost of artists/artisans, looks likely. The draft will be sent out for review soon.

Non-Public: Roll call vote to enter non-public session by reason of RSA 91-A:3,II(c) was taken, both Bernie and Louise voting to enter non-public session at 8:10 PM to discuss abatements. Public session reconvened at 9:18 PM.

Adjourned: Louise moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Bernie; meeting was adjourned at 9:18 PM.

Next scheduled public meeting for BOS will be held Tuesday, July 11, 2017 at 7:30PM at the Mann House.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kathy Wile
Administrative Assistant