



**MINUTES**  
**Selectboard Meeting**  
**Monday, October 31, 2016 Town Meeting Room**  
**6:00 PM**

**Selectmen:** Ed Thorson, Russell Smith

**Town Personnel:** Dennis Pavlicek, Town Administrator; Donna Long, Recording Secretary; Henry Thomas, Fire Chief; Wayne Whitford, Emergency Management Director; John Greenwood, Code Enforcement Officer; Bob Lee, Police Chief.

**Public:**

**1 Public Input**

a) John Greenwood

Code Enforcement Officer John Greenwood followed up with the Board regarding a complaint in Birchfield following a cease and desist order given to them from the town. It was reported that there no longer are race cars on the property but there seems to be an abundance of non-race car vehicles that are being repaired on this property. There is also concern that this property abuts wetlands. Chief Lee said that he has not been receiving any calls regarding noise from this property since they delivered the letter.

**2 Presentations/Appointments**

a) Moderator Nancy Marashio

Nancy Marashio was available to answer a question Selectman Ed Thorson had regarding voting. Mr. Thorson asked where challengers and observers are allowed to be during voting.

Ms. Marashio stated that they are two different positions. Challengers are Newbury voters, people appointed by the two parties, people appointed by the Attorney General's office or elected officials. They will

be in chairs that will be within five feet because they need to hear all of the names and addresses. Observers can be any citizen and has to be at least six feet away from the voting booths. No one is allowed near the ballot counter unless they are a ballot official.

Ms. Marashio also had two other issues to discuss. She said that when they check the machine, they use a real ballot. They noticed there might be a pile up in ballots due to the length of the ballot. If this begins to happen, she will not process the absentee ballots in to the machine due to the fold in the ballots. Secondly, the law has changed slightly in which it states, "No person shall wear any campaign material in the form of article of clothing". This is for everybody. If someone is wearing a t-shirt with the name of a candidate, they need to cover it up or take it off. If they don't, Ms. Marashio needs to stop them from voting and will need to call the Attorney General's Office.

b) Mr. Nick Van der Werff - Deed

Mr. Nick Van der Werff approached the Board regarding his deed. Mr. Pavlicek stated that he made two changes to Mr. Van der Werff's deed. He changed the date and also removed Selectwoman's name, Joy Nowell off the deed since she is not present. Mr. Pavlicek said that it would be notarized the following day and can be picked up any time after 8:30 a.m. and be brought to the registry of deeds.

**3 Regular Business**

a) Department Head Discussion

Fire Department - Thomas said that he is making phone calls to vendors but hasn't heard back from a lot of them. He said that the SCBA needs to get tested, the Holmatro machine needs to get checked and cleaned and the monitor is also due to be checked. He also said that he is ordering a 3" hose to replace hose that has been blown out. Mr. Thorson asked about the garage door that rattles. Mr. Thomas said that a rollup door will be in the budget for next year. Police Department - Lee said that they have some speed counts on Rollins Road, Old Province Road and South Road. There are times that are the most key to find people that are speeding on these three roads and they will be taking action within the next three weeks.

b) Veterans Committee

Ed Wollensack of the Veterans Committee stated that the veterans had proposed to the town to put up a flagpole at the Veterans Hall. He said that there was a slight change to the original proposed site. The new

site will now be located somewhere centered off the porch. There will also be solar lighting. Mr. Thorson said that he had no problems with this new proposed location and Mr. Smith agreed.

c) Storage Shed for Town Office

Mr. Pavlicek mentioned that Churchill Heselton from the Transfer Station asked if the town would consider putting up a small shed by the entrance of the bulkhead of the town office to store the snow blower. Mr. Smith said he fears that it won't fit in and would be an eyesore. Mr. Thorson agreed. Mr. Smith suggested putting the snow blower in the garage at Bald Sunapee and then bringing it over in a truck. Mr. Pavlicek agreed that this would be a good idea. He will talk to Churchill in the morning.

d) Solar Exemption Application

The Board of Selectmen reviewed the application for Dale and Tammy Sandy, Tax Map 020-079-136 for a solar exemption. After reviewing the application, they agree with Assessor Bernaiche's recommendation to deny the application.

e) Request for Abatement

The Board of Selectmen reviewed a request for abatement for Bruce and Sylvia Malicki. Due to an overpayment, a check will be mailed to them in the amount of \$79.

f) Transfer Station

Mr. Pavlicek asked the Board their thoughts on the hours of operation during the Christmas holiday. He recommended Christmas Eve hours being 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., closed on Christmas Day and open regular hours the Monday after the holiday. He also said that the transfer station would be open regular hours for New Year's Eve and New Year's Day. The Board approved this schedule.

31. Correspondence

31.1. Bashaw Letter

The Board received a letter from Kathy and David Bashaw of 85 High Point Road regarding the Special Exception application brought to the Zoning Board for the Fells.

31.2. NHDES

The Board received notification from the Department of

Environmental Services that Chalk Pond Water is active in the NH Public Drinking Supply Inventory database with Sunapee Hills Association listed as the owner.

31.3. James R. St. Jean

The Board discussed the fact that the cruiser sold at auction for \$7,566. This is more than they would have received with a trade in.

31.4. School Board Update

Mr. Tom Vannatta gave an update on the School Board. There are currently 1,793 kids in the Kearsarge district. The new assistant superintendent is doing a great job. The high school now has an eighth period for remediation purposes. Teachers can reach out to students if they think they need extra help, or students can take it upon themselves to contact teachers if they want extra help.

32. Approve Payroll/Payables

32.1. Payroll/Payables from October 29, 2016.

The Board approved and signed the October 29th payroll and payables.

33. Acceptance of Minutes

33.1. Selectboard Meeting Minutes of October 17, 2017

The Board approved and signed the October 17th meeting minutes.

34. Other Business

34.1. Tree Cutting Application in the Protected Shoreland

The Board approved and signed the tree cutting application for Anderson, 161 Bay Point Road.

**4 Non-Public Session**

Per RSA 91-A:3, II, a-e

- a) Thorson made a motion to go into non-public session under RSA 91-A:3, II, a at 7:18 p.m., Smith seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken - Thorson - yes, Smith - yes.

After coming out of non-public session, Smith made a motion to seal the minutes indefinitely, Thorson seconded the motion, All in favor.

**5 Budget Meeting**

a) Personnel Administration

Employee Benefits - \$5,200 – unchanged - APPROVED

b) Legal Expenses

Legal Expenses - \$23,000 – unchanged- APPROVED

c) Information Booth

Information Booth – \$7,456 – up \$261 - APPROVED

d) Other General Government

Other General Government - \$13,500 – down \$500 - APPROVED

e) Tax Anticipation Note Interest/Debt Service

Tax Anticipation Note Interest - \$100 – unchanged - APPROVED

f) Emergency Management/Health Officer

Emergency Management - \$6,917 – unchanged - APPROVED

g) Historical Society

Historical Society - \$1,000 – unchanged - APPROVED

h) Conservation Commission

Conservation Commission\$3,416 – down \$41 - APPROVED

i) Elections

Elections - \$5,215 – down \$5,777 - APPROVED

**6 Adjournment**

- a) The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Thorson made a motion to adjourn, Smith seconded the motion, All in favor.

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Ed Thorson, Selectboard Chair

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Russell Smith, Selectboard