

Board of Selectmen  
Meeting Minutes  
September 8, 2021

Present: James C. Bailey, Chairman; Meleny Nagy, Selectwoman; Iris Campbell, Selectwoman; Laura Buono, Town Administrator.

In Attendance: Marianne Hammond, John Hammond, Laurie Jutzi, Sara Edie, Riche' Colcombe, Bryan Beebe, Gary Sparks, Robyn Payson, Susan White, Ed Sauer, Adam Charette, Melinda Gehris, Nancy Egner.

Chairman Bailey called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

1. **OPEN SESSION**

*There was no public comment during Open Session.*

2. **PARTNERS FARM SUBDIVISION REVOCATION – BOARD VOTE**

After holding the two required public hearings during previous meetings, Chairman Bailey moved to approve the partial revocation for the infrastructure for Partners Farm Subdivisions as requested by the property owner and in conjunction with the Planning Board approval of the subdivision revocation. Motion was seconded by Selectwoman Nagy. A vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

3. **SCOTT YEATON RE: GRIMES FIELD**

Scott Yeaton met with the Selectmen to discuss the playground equipment in association with the pricing that he had brought forward in April. Currently the slide that has a hole in it has been closed off as a warning for people not to use it. A discussion ensued with regard to the reason the slide that the Lions Club wanted to donate will not fit on the structure we currently own. Selectwoman Nagy brought up a letter sent by the Lions Club with regard to the slide and said that because Mr. Bosse had brought up a donation of a slide that he said had been ordered, it delayed any further discussion as far as moving forward with anything else. She said she feels the things that were printed in his newspaper make it look as though no one in the Town was doing anything about the situation however, research had been done on the product they thought had been ordered by the Club. This was discussed further. Chairman Bailey said he didn't know that the part being offered wasn't the original part which would have fit on our structure. Ordering parts off of the original price list was discussed as well. Mr. Yeaton will meet with Mr. Bosse and double measure the structure bolts against the specs the Lions Club provided and will make contact with Game Time as well.

Mr. Yeaton also said there is a porta potty unit that has had various repairs made to it to cover a hole in the unit however, vandals consistently punch through it and/or burn it off. He said because of that, it can no longer hold a repair and will need to be and will be replaced.

#### **4. PLANNING BOARD RE: COMMERCIAL DISTRICT SIDEWALK DISCUSSION**

Members of the Planning Board were in attendance for a joint meeting with the Board to review information with regard to whether or not the Town can require a sidewalk to be added to the Dominos site plan which is in front of the Planning Board at this time. There had been discussion during the Planning Board Meetings in which there was interest in requiring new development to build sidewalks as part of their approval. Robyn Payson had received information from NHDOT since this particular project is on a State road. The concern from NHDOT is that this particular sidewalk has nothing to connect the sidewalk to and there isn't an appropriate or approved crossing location. These items were briefly discussed. Ms. Payson said our Town Attorney also noted that since it's not currently in our site plan regulations, sidewalks cannot be required. Chairman Bailey said he was the one on the Planning Board to bring this forward and said he won't fight Town Counsel but feels we should meet with NHDOT to find out what we can expect moving forward and what we can do moving forward on Sate roads. Ms. Payson will work at setting a meeting up in the future with regard to this.

#### **5. OTHER BUSINESS**

*Highway Foreman* – Chairman Bailey announced that the Board interviewed candidates for the Highway Foreman/Road Agent position and have appointed Ernie Butler to fill that position.

*Confirmatory Deed* – Ms. Buono presented the Board with a Confirmatory Deed for 8 Raccoon Alley which was sold by the Town at auction in 2019. She said that the Notary who notarized the Quit Claim Deed that the Board signed at that time, did not date her signature. Since the buyers are now selling that property, the closing company is requiring a Confirmatory Deed for the purpose of confirming that sale. The Board signed the document.

*Fuel Pricing* – Ms. Buono provided the Board with a list of companies who have submitted pricing for the 2021/22 heating season. The prices submitted were:

<u>Company Name</u>	<u>Propane</u>	<u>Oil</u>	<u>Diesel</u>
Ciardelli Fuel Co.	\$1.399/gal	\$2.399/gal	\$2.449/gal (cost + \$0.15)
Dead River	\$1.729/gal	\$2.399/gal	\$2.649/gal
Irving	\$1.699/gal	\$2.489/gal	\$2.504/gal
Vaillancourt Fuel	\$1.659/gal	\$2.539/gal	\$2.769/gal

Based on the pricing, Chairman Bailey moved to award the contracts for propane, oil, and diesel to Ciardelli Fuel Company. Motion was seconded by Selectwoman Nagy. A vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

#### **6. LONG TERM PROJECTS**

*2 Bridge Street* – Ms. Buono said she received an email from Zander Kempf who is the investor interested in the Town's property as well as 8 Bridge Street. Mr. Kempf would like to get together with the Board to discuss a proposition in hopes of bringing these two buildings up to be fully operational with a total of 8 apartment units and 7 retail spaces. The Board is interested in meeting

with Mr. Kempf and a suggestion was made to also invite the owner of 8 Bridge in at the same time since it would be a joint venture to make it work.

Woods Woolen Mill – Ms. Buono said that after many years of working on the Woods Woolen Mill site and thanks to various parties, the EPA has approved taking the main building down. She said they are just waiting for the information to come forward as to when the work will be done.

Parking Regulations – Ms. Buono said that now that Mr. Butler has taken over the Highway Department, the parking regulations discussions will resume so we can have something in place for the Board to approve for this winter.

## **7. MANIFEST MOTION**

Chairman Bailey moved to authorize the Selectmen to sign check numbers 016970 - 017003 a/k/a Vouchers 35 & 36 in the amount of \$179,598.89 (includes 221 direct deposit stubs) and Accounts Payable Check numbers 025776 – 025854 a/k/a Vouchers 25 in the amount of \$1,085,879.84. Motion was seconded by Selectwoman Campbell. A vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

\*\* A/P Payable checks include payment to HDSD in the amount of \$987,530.67

## **8. CONSENT AGENDA**

Chairman Bailey moved to approve the Consent Agenda for August 25, 2021. Motion was seconded by Selectwoman Nagy. A vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

- Timber Tax Abatement Map 999 Lot 001 - \$1,299.26
- Veterans Tax Credit – Map 24 Lot 17
- Cemetery Lot Deed – Bennett/Strate

## **9. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Chairman Bailey moved to approve the Selectmen's Minutes of August 25, 2021. Motion was seconded by Selectwoman Nagy. A vote was taken. Motion passed with two in favor and one (Selectwoman Campbell) abstaining.

## **10. ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman Bailey moved to adjourn at 7:26 p.m. Motion was seconded by Selectwoman Nagy. A vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

A true record.

Laura Buono  
Town Administrator

Approved by:  
Hillsborough Selectboard

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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James C. Bailey III, Chairman

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Meleny Nagy, Selectwoman

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Iris Campbell, Selectwoman