# TOWN OF ALLENSTOWN Select Board Meeting 16 School Street Allenstown, New Hampshire 03275 September 10, 2018

#### **Call to Order**

The Allenstown Select Board Meeting of September 10, 2018 was called to order by Vice Chairman Sandy McKenney at 6:00 p.m. Vice Chair McKenney called for the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **Roll Call**

Present on the Board: Sandy McKenney, Dave Eaton

Allenstown staff: Derik Goodine, Town Administrator; Debbie Bender, Finance Director; Ronnie Pelissier, Road Agent; Shawn Murray, Fire Chief; Michael O'Meara

Others present: Michael Frascinella, Chad Pelissier, Claudette Verville, Armand Verville, Jim Bianco, Jason Dennis, Victor Ranfos

#### **Citizens' Comments**

There were no Citizens' Comments.

#### **Holiday Acres Purchase and Sales Agreement**

Vice Chair McKenney stated that the Board will hold a special meeting Thursday, September 13<sup>th</sup> when all three Board members can be present to make a full Board decision on the extension of the Holiday Acres Purchase and Sales Agreement.

On motion of Mr. Eaton, duly seconded by Vice Chair McKenney, it was voted unanimously to extend the current extension deadline to September 21, 2018 because the current extension expires on September 14, 2018.

#### **Fire Alarm Boxes**

Vice Chair McKenney stated that the Fire Alarm Boxes were discussed at a previous meeting but no vote was taken regarding their disposition. She said that Fire Chief Murray had presented a plan to give them to the Fire Association to be sold at a fundraiser.

Mr. Eaton stated that they discussed giving one to the Historical Society – one box and one ticker-tape machine.

Ms. McKenney said that a resident had called her to ask about getting one.

Mr. Pelissier said that he wants one for Ferry Street and one for Mark Boisvert at the Highway Garage.

Chief Murray stated that several boxes are stored at the Fire Department, but they are from Pittsfield, not Allenstown. He said that eleven boxes were removed from telephone poles in Allenstown, but they

were purchased for \$75 each by the company which removed them. This purchase offset the non-budgeted expense of removing the boxes. He continued, saying that there are six Town-owned boxes remaining, one at each of the following locations: Police Department, Fire Department, Library, Rec Building, Town Hall and Highway Department. He said that there are two or three other street boxes to come out but the Town will have to pay to have them removed. He said that the one at the Highway Department cannot be removed until an alarm system is installed there.

Vice Chair McKenney said that any boxes that are available should be given to those asking for them.

Mr. Eaton asked Chief Murray to get a price for the removal of those which are mounted on poles.

Chief Murray agreed to do that.

Mr. Pelissier said that a resident on River Road has asked if the Town will chip in to take down a tree on Town-owned property. The tree is large and healthy.

Vice Chair McKenney said that if the tree were dead, they might consider it, but not if it is healthy.

Mr. Pelissier reported that Highway Department employees made all necessary repairs to the red 2001 Ford except for the windshield, which they paid someone to repair. The repairs had been estimated at \$1,000, but by making the repairs themselves, the only cost was about \$200 for the windshield.

Mr. Goodine said that, in spite of an exhaustive search of the minutes, they were not able to locate meeting minutes at which a vote was taken regarding the plow at the Fire Department.

Mr. Pelissier said that if Fire Department personnel are available to help during a storm, that is fine, but he understands that a call takes priority.

Mr. Pelissier reported that there is enough money left in the budget to pave one-half of Mt. Delight Road. Two bids were received. Advanced Excavating & Paving came in with the lower bid and thus will do the job.

#### **Town Administrator's Report**

Mr. Goodine stated that the Board members had received the expense reports and that the revenue reports are still to come. He said that he and Ms. Bender have been working on the budget.

Mr. Goodine reminded the Board members of the Senior Center Open House on September 20, 2018.

Mr. Goodine referred to an item on the Consent Calendar relating to the lawsuit against Public Service of New Hampshire. He said that an expert witness on the value of electrical assets, Mr. George E. Sansoucy, has been retained to represent the 40 towns in the lawsuit. He said that in an earlier suit, several towns each retained experts, and it was agreed to hire one expert to represent all towns.

Ms. Bender spoke about the revised wage scale, saying that salaries as of January 1<sup>st</sup> will be in effect until April 1<sup>st</sup> when all adjustments will be made. The effect on the budget is \$3,000.

#### **Consent Calendar, Minutes and Manifests**

On motion of Mr. Eaton, duly seconded by Vice Chair McKenney, it was voted unanimously to approve the Consent Calendar of September 10, 2018.as

On motion of Mr. Eaton, duly seconded by Vice Chair McKenney, it was voted unanimously to approve the Accounts Payable and Payroll Manifests as listed on the September 10, 2018 agenda.

On motion of Mr. Eaton, duly seconded by Vice Chair McKenney, it was voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the August 22, 2018 BOS meeting, as amended, with a correction by Mr. Goodine.

On motion of Mr. Eaton, duly seconded by Vice Chair McKenney, it was voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the August 27, 2018 meeting.

On motion of Mr. Eaton, duly seconded by Vice Chair McKenney, it was voted unanimously to approve the minutes of Non-Public Session I of August 22, 2018.

On motion of Mr. Eaton, duly seconded by Vice Chair McKenney, it was voted unanimously to approve the minutes of Non-Public Session II of August 22, 2018.

On motion of Mr. Eaton, duly seconded by Vice Chair McKenney, it was voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the Non-Public Session of August 27, 2018.

On motion of Mr. Eaton, duly seconded by Vice Chair McKenney, it was voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the Non-Public Session of September 4, 2018.

On motion of Mr. Eaton, duly seconded by Vice Chair McKenney, it was voted unanimously to enter into Non-Public Session in accordance with RSA 91-A:3, II (a) at 6:43 p.m.

On motion of Mr. Eaton, duly seconded by Vice Chair McKenney, it was voted unanimously to return to public session at 7:08 p.m.

On motion of Mr. Eaton, duly seconded by Vice Chair McKenney, it was voted unanimously to seal the minutes of the Non-Public Session as they might adversely affect someone not a member of the Board.

On motion of Mr. Eaton, duly seconded by Vice Chair McKenney, it was voted unanimously to adjourn at 7:10 p.m.

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### Signature Page

Original Approval:		
RYAN CARTER, Chair	DATE	
SANDRA MCKENNEY, Vice Chair	DATE	
DAVID EATON, Member	DATE	

Amendment Approvals:		
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