# SEPTEMBER 16, 2020 6 P.M. TOWN HALL

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**PRESENT:** E. B. Beattie, Chairman; L. Gargiulo, Vice Chairman; M. R. Lane, Selectman; L. A. Ruest, Town Administrator; L. Jordan, Town Secretary

## GOVERNOR'S PROCLAMATION FOR AM/PM JANITORIAL SALES AND SVC., INC.

State Representatives Jason Janvrin and Aboul Khan were present to acknowledge AM/PM Janitorial Sales and Service, Inc. for 50 years in business and present a proclamation from Governor Chris Sununu. AP/PM opened for business on September 1<sup>st</sup>, 1970.

## CONGRATULATIONS TO POLICE CHIEF R. DIRSA FOR 25 YEARS OF SERVICE

The Chairman applauded Police Chief Robert Dirsa for 25 years of service. He was hired in 1995, 1996 promoted to Lieutenant and assumed the rank of Police Chief in March 2000.

# PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

## **Bandstand Roof Replacement**

Lyn Stan, Chair of Parks and Recreation, and Pam Fitzgerald spoke regarding project proposals for this repair. Glen Aldrich, Brown Road, spoke to the maintenance and condition of the Bandstand. Pressure washing took off external mold; unfortunately, the mold rooted into the cedar shingles and they have degraded.

Alan Ganz, Surrey Lane, understands that wood shakes should last 100 years if properly maintained, but these only lasted 20 years. J. Carnes & Son offered a free asphalt roof. Emergency funds are not appropriate for this in his opinion.

The Chair asked for cost estimates and about the offer by J. Carnes & Son. The bandstand was it was with cedar shakes, which the Recreation Commission prefers to maintain, and J. Carnes only works with architectural/asphalt shingles. P. Fitzgerald feels that the price is very competitive at \$14,500 and includes copper, ice shield under the roof and stainless-steel nails.

Beverly Mutrie, Brown Road, pointed out the cedar shingles were also put on the school house, and reminded the Board it is vital have the air breather mesh under the shingles. A metal roof is rated for about 50 years. P. Fitzgerald priced out a metal roof for \$23,800.

L. Gargiulo asked about fund raising to pay for the roof. P. Fitzgerald says Parks and Recreation has a revolving account, but they prefer to use it for other activities like Seniors Helping Seniors. T. Beattie, Drinkwater Road, spoke to the Bandstand being a prized piece of the iconic look of the Common. M. Sikorski suggested a composite faux cedar shake as a fourth alternative. M. Lane thinks splitting the cost between the Town and the Recreation Commission and private fund raising is a good plan.

A number of individuals offered private donations for a cedar roof. P. Fitzgerald stated that they have \$26,404.49 in their account, and the Parks and Recreation has a \$21,000 a year budget.

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\$17,000 is reserved. Chair advises to get word out about fundraising and donations for the roof, and a News and Announcements can be posted to the Town web site. The Chair stated the Board will take this matter under advisement, and recommends more fundraising and returning to discuss at a future meeting.

# **Castleberry Fairs**

Castleberry Fairs would like to add another weekend on Columbus Day weekend and L. Stan seeks authorization from the Board for this event. The Police Chief has no issues with these dates.

**MOTION:** To approve the dates for Castleberry Fairs adding during Columbus Day weekend.

MOTION: L. GARGIULO SECOND: M. LANE

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## NOVEMBER GENERAL ELECTIONS- POLLING STATION SETUP & LOGISTICS

Moderator J.P. Pontibrand presented proposed improvements and changes to the logistics for the next election to the Board. He is primarily recommending reversing the direction of traffic and adding more handicap parking spots. He discussed the details of the ramp configuration, adding canopies, and adding a staff break space at the Public Safety Building. He presented a document with diagrams.

L. Gargiulo proposed covering the ramps with a canopy in case of inclement weather. The Town Administrator will inquire to the ramp company about a cover. Current cost for rental is \$2,600. The Board thinks that, long term, the school is a better place for the election.

## ROAD AGENT- CORE SERVICES/INVOICE MONTHLY REPORT

The Board of Selectmen acknowledged the monthly report as outlined in his invoice for services rendered.

**MOTION:** To approve the July core services and monthly invoice of the Road Agent as presented.

MOTION: L. GARGIULO SECOND: M. LANE

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## KING STREET CULVERT

Easements must be approved before this work can proceed to New Hampshire Department of Environment Services (NH DES) approval. The Town Administrator stated that this is currently under review with Town Counsel. The Town Engineer may not send the document forward

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without the easement landowner approval. The Town Administrator will research if there is an expedited review process.

**MOTION**: To approve payment from Budget 574 for Brimmer Lane Emergency Highway Project Worksheet for emergency culvert replacement.

MOTION: L. GARGIULO SECOND: M. LANE

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**MOTION:** To approve the Non-Emergency Highway Project Worksheet for work on Curtis Road/Blake Lane and payment from Budget 574 of \$2,220 to clean out the existing culvert and install a beaver gate.

MOTION: L. GARGIULO SECOND: M. LANE

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# FALL HOUSEHOLD WASTE COLLECTION DAY (October 17, 2020, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.)

The Board discussed expanding the billable hours for the fall household waste collection day per request of E.L.M. Services. The Board approved up to six (6) billable hours. The Board reviewed and approved the Residential Recycling and Solid Waste Service flyer as presented by the Town Administrator. The Board decided not to accept mattresses and box springs at this collection.

# FIRE CHIEF, AMBULANCE, EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT-MONTHLY REPORT

The Board of Selectmen acknowledged the monthly report submitted by Fire Chief J. Lord.

**Grant Programs Directorate – Assistance to Firefighters Grant:** The Board reviewed the information on the award for the grant funds for FEMA GO Grant Programs Directorate's Fiscal Year 2019 Assistance to Firefighters Grants.

# POLICE CHIEF, ANIMAL CONTROL - MONTHLY REPORT

The Board of Selectmen acknowledged the monthly report submitted by the Police Chief R. Dirsa. The Police Chief presented a picture of the antennae for the communications system. Currently, there is power and securing issue and a manlift will need to be rented to properly secure the tower. He presented a price of \$4,934.84 to rent the lift and do the repairs, and half of the cost is the lift rental. The Town has already reserved \$25,000 for the project in the communications fund and furthermore Police Department has a grant to fund this work. The Chief seeks direction and authorization for this project, which also assists Fire Department equipment. The Board authorized the Police Chief to proceed work on the police radio antennae as funding is already appropriated.

# BUILDING INSPECTOR, CODE COMPLIANCE, HEALTH OFFICER -

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## MONTHLY REPORT

The Board of Selectmen acknowledged the monthly report submitted by the Building Inspector.

# **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Christopher and Laurie Dawe, Prescott Lane, state a neighbor started a deforestation project which is generating what he feels is an unreasonable amount of noise nuisance. The neighborhood is jointly complaining about this for about 14 months now and there seems to be no end date to the project. Additionally, the project has infringed on his land, including removing one of his trees, and the abutter has placed a 25-foot slash pile on his fence. The neighbor has a personal backhoe utilized in this work.

Beverly Mutrie, Brown Road, commented that in the 1980s her husband had an ordinance passed with the Planning Board to eliminate an abutting sawmill which presented similar noise issues.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

The Board acknowledged the Consent Agenda items:

Monthly Financial Reports of Bookkeeper, Treasurer, Tax Collector

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

General Fund Balance: \$2,027,266.98

## ACCOUNTS PAYABLE/ PAYROLL/ TREASURER/ TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

## **WARRANT(S):**

Bookkeeper	Payroll Warrant #518	\$642.80
	Payroll Warrant #519	\$20,662.60
	Accounts Payable Warrant #735	\$53.25
	Accounts Payable Warrant #736	\$753,658.37
	Accounts Payable Warrant #737	\$5,424.77
Treasurer	Check Warrant Report #2020-5	Checks 1197-1205

**MOTION:** To approve the warrants as presented above.

MOTION: M. LANE SECOND: E. BEATTIE

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#### SOLID WASTE ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS – FIRST DRAFT

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The Board Reviewed information as presented by the Town Administrator. The Board reviewed new language regarding acceptable items for recycling, corrugated cardboard wording will be changed from 2x2 to "manageable bundles", etc. Trucks were discussed, and how to pick up the corrugated cardboard to save the Town money. The red bin of previous years was mentioned as it limited the amount of recycling allowed at curbside. The new ordinance reflects the changes to fees for tires, mattress/box springs, etc. E. Beattie suggested to charge an even \$3, instead of \$2.25, per tire. The Board took the information under advisement, will speak to Town Counsel, and will take a second read at the next meeting.

#### OTHER SELECTMEN'S OLD BUSINESS

#### OLD BUSINESS PUBLIC COMMENT

T. Beattie, Drinkwater Road, asked about the slate roof contract and repairs needed to the front steps.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

# RETURN OF SCHOOL DISTRICT FUNDS (LAS & WHS)

The Board reviewed an email from M. Ferreira, Business Administrator, which stated that Hampton Falls School District anticipates returning \$341,179 to the Town and Winnacunnet anticipates returning \$84,911.75.

**NEW BUSINESS PUBLIC COMMENT:** No comments were heard at this time.

## REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES: 8/24/2020 & 9/2/2020

**MOTION:** To approve the minutes of August 24, 2020 and September 2, 2020 as written.

MOTION: L. Gargiulo SECOND: M. Lane

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**PUBLIC COMMENT:** No public comment was heard at this time.

**MOTION:** To adjourn the meeting at 8:06 p.m.

MOTION: L. Gargiulo SECOND: M. Lane

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Next Selectmen's Meeting - Wednesday, October 7, 2020, 6:00 p.m., Town Hall