

**Minutes of Haverhill Selectboard Regular Meeting
Monday June 12, 2017
6:00 PM**

Draft subject to review, correction and approval at the next meeting.

Board Members Present: Wayne Fortier, Tom Friel, Chris Luurtsema, Fred Garofalo.

Excused: Mike Bonanno

Town Manager: Jo Lacaillade

Members of the Public Present: Darwin Clogston, Raymond Thayer, Tracia & Rod O'Shana, Stuart McDanolds, Howard Hatch (arrived at 7:10), and Ed Ballam, Journal Opinion.

Call Meeting to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

Agenda Approval: Chris Luurtsema made a motion to approve the agenda as written; that motion was seconded by Fred Garofalo and the carried unanimously.

Consent Agenda: Fred Garofalo made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda; seconded by Chris Luurtsema and carried unanimously.

Scheduled Public Appearances:

➤ **Rod & Tracia O'Shana - Current Use Penalties and Interest**

The O'Shana's submitted a letter asking the Town to abate the accrued penalty and interest on a current use penalty but stated at the meeting they also feel the penalty itself was too high. Tom Friel suggested that the O'Shana's hire an independent assessor to appeal the Town's appraisal. TM Lacaillade stated that the penalty is beyond the time allowed by law to be appealed but that the Board can abate for any reason. The Board will seek information from their assessor regarding the calculation of the penalty.

➤ **Master Plan Volunteer Appointments**

The current Master Plan was last revised in 2008 and requires revision from volunteers who wish to assist. A list of volunteers was created at Town Meeting and Ed Ballam will be contacting those who signed up to verify their interest in helping, as the Planning Board has already approved the list. Fred Garofalo made a motion to accept the list of volunteers who signed up to assist in the Haverhill Master Plan. This motion was seconded by Chris Luurtsema and carried unanimously.

Town Manager's Report: The Town Managers report covered the following topics: Attended the Crime Watch meeting on 5/31/2017, Benton Fire Contract , a meeting with Laurie Melanson regarding the community garden; the hiring of a new Tax Collector and operations of that office

in the interim; monthly management team meeting; Tire and Electronic collection; a meeting with Maryann Aldrich to go over new programs that they want to offer to the community that could benefit employees and a review of our new health insurance policy; revisions to the road maintenance policies; and the traffic study.

Pending (Old) Business:

➤ **Airport Road Property**

Road Agent McDanolds stated he suggested the 50' by 50' dimensions discussed last meeting to allow the required large machinery to access the cistern/drainage mechanism for maintenance. It was agreed that these dimensions would need to be added to the deed. TM Lacaillade is to set up a meeting with Doug, Stuart, Selectmen Garofalo and herself. The Board would like to solidify this proposed plan at the next meeting and have Doug Henson present to do so.

➤ **Daly Property**

The Town attorney suggested allowing the property to be sold at a reduced rate in order to help facilitate the sale of this house. Current taxes owed are over \$30,000 not including interest and penalties. Fred Garofalo made a motion stating that the Town will accept a \$45,000 payment at the time of closing if the property is sold. Tom Friel seconded this motion and it carried unanimously.

New Business:

➤ **PFOA's - Fred Garofalo**

Fred Garofalo wanted to put PFOA testing on the Board's radar, as other surrounding towns currently test landfills water sources for this chemical. After inquiring a few different environmental agencies concern PFOA testing, Fred was told that this testing may be coming to the Haverhill area, but a time could not be determined yet. A PFOA test would cost the Town \$500 per test.

Commission/Committee Reports: None at this time.

Correspondence:

Correspondence included a Granite State Power Link letter dated 6/5/17 discussing the proposed project, and a thank you letter from the Good Sheppard Food Pantry.

Comments of the Public: Raymond Thayer questioned whether one could post land in current use. TM Lacaillade clarified that you can, but there are exceptions. He expressed frustration about overdue taxes and nothing being done about it.

Howard Hatch voiced his frustration with an incident at his business that the police responded to; he said that he is having trouble getting a status of the situation.

There was a concern regarding state trucks using Clark Pond Road and causing damage to the road was briefly discussed. TM Lacaillade stated she needed to check the rules to see if the State

may be exempt from the posting. Chairman Fortier will make a call to determine what can be done to prevent damage and whether State Trucks are exempt from following this rule.

Comments of the Town Manager: None at this time.

Comments of Selectboard Members: None at this time.

Adjourn Meeting: A motion was made by Tom Friel to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Fred Garofalo and carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:40.

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