

**Minutes of Haverhill Selectboard Regular Meeting  
Monday June 25, 2018  
6:00 PM**

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

**Board Members Present:** Wayne Fortier, Tom Friel, and Fred Garofalo.

**Board Members Absent:** Chris Luurtsema and Darwin Clogston.

**Town Manager:** Jo Lacaillade

**Town Administrative Assistant/Finance Officer:** Jennifer Collins

**Members of the Public Present:** Howard Hatch, Greg Mathieson, Don Hammond, Lynn Wheeler, Samantha Blanchard, Evelyn Elms, Margo Longacre, Gary Hebert, Tina Hebert, Russell Haney, Michelle Haney, Dawn Lavoie, Michael Lavoie and Ed Ballam for the Journal Opinion.

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

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Agenda Approval:** Tom Friel made a motion to approve the agenda as written. Fred Garofalo seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**Consent Agenda:** Fred Garofalo made a motion to approve the minutes from the work session held on 5/24/18 as well as the minutes for the previous Selectboard meeting on 6/11/18. Tom Friel seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. A recommended change the verbiage on the work session minutes was requested by Dawn Lavoie. Tom Friel made a motion to approve the recommended verbiage to the work session minutes pending a review of the audio tape and it carried unanimously.

**Scheduled Public Appearances**

- **Lynn Wheeler & Sam Catterall – Town Yard Sale Food Vendors:** The Town-wide yard sale will take place on September 1<sup>st</sup> and the committee would like to host food trucks to supplement the amount of money raised to fund the VFW playground. The committee needs to raise \$8,500 in order to show they will be able to maintain the playground after it is built. The playground is being funded by a Kaboom grant. The Board stated if the Food Trucks will be located at the VFW field for the event, a lane will need to be kept clear for emergency vehicles. Chairman Fortier reminded the committee that food truck vendors will need to complete an application and submit proof of insurance. Town Manager Lacaillade will email Samantha Catterall the application to provide to the vendors.
  
- **Greg Mathieson – Flags:** Greg Mathieson suggested if the flags in front of Town

buildings/statues are not lit at night, then they should get taken down at the end of the day as a courtesy.

Greg also suggested that the Town provide an annual award for either Employee of the Year or Volunteer of the Year, to promote stronger work ethic. The Board would like to entertain this idea and Greg will put together an outline to get the ball rolling.

**Town Manager's Report:** Chairman Fortier and TM Lacaillade met with a group of individuals including Senator Giuda to discuss the rail trail. Senator Giuda has requested the original paperwork regarding the rail trail, as it has not been located yet. The Beautification Group met and provided the Town with new flower arrangements and custom plant hangers throughout Woodsville. Plants will be distributed in North Haverhill soon. The EOP met and will continue meeting until the Emergency Operation Plan is updated. The tax-deeded auction was held on 6/22/18 and ran smoothly and every lot sold. Steve Tegu has agreed to be the Clerk of the Work for Lily Pond Road beginning the week of 6/25/18. Household Hazardous Waste day will take place 7/14/18 from 8am-12pm at the Clifford Memorial Building.

#### **Pending (Old) Business:**

- **Powder House Hill Survey Bids:** Two bids came in for the survey. DuBois & King submitted a bid for \$9,999 and Ray Sayborn submitted a bid for \$6,200-\$6,500. Sayborn stated he will be able to begin the survey in August. Tom Friel made a motion to accept Ray Sayborn's bid which will be under \$6,500. Fred Garofalo seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

#### **New Business:**

- **Veteran Credits:** The Board received recommendations for veteran credits from Tim Northcott based on criteria and the requirements to receive such credits. Tom Friel made a motion to approve the recommendations provided by Tim. Fred Garofalo seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**Commission/Committee Reports:** A three-car train on wooden tracks was purchased with donated money by the Rec Committee and will be installed on Railroad Park soon.

**Correspondence:** A letter was received from Russ and Michelle Haney regarding their interest in purchasing another lot in the business park adjacent to the lot they currently own in order to open a storage facility. The asking price for the 3.18-acre lot is \$19,500 and the Haney's have made an offer of \$8,000. The Haney's will not require any employees for the storage facility; one of the current stipulations when purchasing a business park lot. Howard Hatch spoke against the sale, as he feels the \$8,000 offer is too low. Tom Friel made a motion to accept the Haney's offer of \$8,000 for Lot 6C in the business park without a sewer hookup. Fred Garofalo seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

A copy of the letter that Senator Giuda sent to DOT requesting the original agreement with the Town of Haverhill and the rail trail was received. A letter from George Sansousy was received

with appeals regarding PSNH for tax years 2014, 2015 and 2016. The legislative bulletin was also received.

**Comments of the Public:** A concern was voiced regarding Ray Sayborn receiving information that hasn't been proven accurate about Powder House Hill. Comments were made about the longevity of the Powder House issue.

**Comments of the Town Manager:** None at this time.

**Comments of the Finance Officer/Administrative Asst.:** A Rental Application was received to use the Robert Clifford Building for an event to fundraise funeral expense for the family of Daniel Wyman. The applicant has requested a reduced rental fee or a fee waiver. Fred Garofalo made a motion to waive the rental fee. Tom Friel seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Woodsville Ambulance submitted their contract with the amount that was approved previously. Fred Garofalo made a motion approve the contract and Tom seconded it. The motion carried unanimously.

Every property listed at the tax-deed auction was bid on and the total amount of bids for the day added up to \$329,950.00. There are two bidders that no longer want the properties that they bid on. The auction company generally states if there is a back-up bidder, arrangements can be made to sell the unwanted property to them. It's up to the Board what to do if there is no back-up bidder. One property is a mobile-home only and had a bid of \$17,000. The other property is a piece of property on Briar Hill Road with a bid of \$15,000 but has a back-up bidder who has not been contacted yet. The Board would like the second bidder to be contacted to ask if they'd like to purchase. The Board would like the auction company to contact the bidder who is no longer interested to negotiate a deal.

Kudos were given in appreciation for all of the hard work that went into the auction.

**Meeting Adjourn:** Fred Garofalo made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:11PM. Tom Friel seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**Comments of Selectboard Members:**

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