

TOWN OF KENSINGTON  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING  
Kensington Town Hall  
95 Amesbury Road  
Kensington, NH 03833  
MONDAY  
June 27, 2022  
Minutes - Draft  
Meeting 6:30 pm

**In Attendance: Robert Gustafson, Robert Solomon, Joseph Pace**

**Public Comment-**

Mrs. Cindy Heal approached the podium and relayed to the board and police department that there was going to be a book sale on Old Home Day, which is August 13, 2022, and there would be a large Discovery Books Van that will be picking up any left books from the sale. She was unsure if the police department needed to know about this so wanted to let them know.

She continued with questions about the safety complex and the how the planning process was progressing. Some of the steps will be applying for Grants, an RFP for a designer and Architect, there will be a study needed, discussions on land acquisition, and a set of rough plans.

B Gustafson explained it has not been in the public yet as there is nothing to really discuss. Negotiations with the landowner on a potential building site will be done privately, but the acquisition and question to the voters could be as early as March of 2023. After the land is acquired then the building plans will be designed and any bonds will be put to a town vote hopefully by 2024.

B Gustafson and Skip Heal made plans to meet at Town Hall on Wednesday this week to install the new sign for town hall.

**DEPARTMENT HEADS:**

- Police Department –Chief Scott Cain –
  - Lock your cars, a few cars have been stolen recently, all with key fobs left inside them.
  - Property thefts are all up in the area, lock your homes
  - The Police Department will be escorting fallen soldier Losapio from Boston to Wolfboro NH, stop by and pay respects as he is coming through.
- Fire Department – Chief Jon True
  - Nothing to report from the Fire Department
- Emergency Management - Chief Jon True – appointment of FD Chief and EM Director
  - Grant funds received from GOFERR for \$41,000 the letter from the Governor has been received.
  - Appointment of Jonathan True as the Fire Chief and as the Emergency Management Director here in town.

**B Gustafson motioned to reappoint Jon True to positions of Fire Chief and Emergency Management Director, B Solomon seconded, all in favor.**

Board signed the appointments for Chief Jon True, he will see Sarah to finish the swearing in process.

- Road Manager – Matthew Armstrong-
  - Repaired sign at the corner of Drinkwater and Oak Ridge Road
  - Responded and repaired sink hole in town easement on Rose Petal Lane, also fixed broken asphalt along Rose Petal Lane
  - Roadside mowing scheduled for the week of July 4th
- Tax Collector- Carlene Wiggin- in attendance, nothing to report
- Building Inspector- Gino Rignoli- permits coming in and going out, nothing to report
- Recreation Committee- Sarah Turcott- In attendance, nothing to report

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**NEW BUSINESS:**

- Mr. Loyd-Wild Pasture Road- questions on zoning for board  
In attendance for this presentation was Attorney John Gillen, Gregory Loyd, Brooke Madden-Loyd, abutters to Wild Pasture parcel Hal and Elaine Bodwell and Bob O’Keefe.
  - Attorney Gillen laid out the housing project for the board with a presentation to the board. This will be kept with the meeting minutes.  
They asked to be put on the agenda out of frustration with the process and in his opinion, they had to initiate the discussions on how to fix the issues within the town. The modified work order went into effect on June 9, 2022. He is hoping for a better chain of command and more efficient way of handling things that may come up on this project. Due to the stop work order there has been no progress on the lot. Mr. Loyd intends to abide by the newly flagged buffer area. He would like to stump the rest of the lot then to seed the entire 5 acres.  
They are looking to move forward and work with the town and the board.  
The board agreed to remand this to Angelo Rignoli the Code Enforcement Officer and Building Inspector under his jurisdiction to oversee this matter and work directly with the landowner to resolve the issues in relation to the 25 foot buffer that is delineated on the property and any further correspondence on this project. All parties were agreeable to this determination. Gino will work on lifting the stop work order tonight and will work with the landowner on the mitigation of the 25 foot buffer. The landowners thanked the board for hearing them out and expressed that they want to abide by the rules and they will abide by them. Joe thanked the Loyd’s for coming in.
- Road Reconstruction Recommendation from Road Manager
  - Matt got in touch with one of the bidders who had extra costs in his proposal and adjusted the amounts in the section below. He recommends Bell and Flynn due to them having the best number but they were more thorough in the bid.
  - Matt commented that he might have bidded out more roads then the town can actually do this year due to costs.
  - Moulton Ridge (109,100), Brewer Road(33,940), West School Road( and Hilliard Road leaving 18k left and can be rolled over  
That would leave Hickory and Bartlett for 2023 so that there is not a cold joint in the road.  
B Solomon asked about the restrictions on spending this money on other town needs. It was explained that this money is for road reconstruction only.

The total road reconstruction at Bell and Flynn costs will total \$204,765. There is \$22,000 left from road reconstruction from last year. Total that can be used is roughly \$222,000 for 2022.

B Solomon has concerns with spending the funds with what might be coming in the next year. Would it benefit the town to not spend as much this year? They can ask for less next year as well.

**B Solomon motioned to accept the Bell and Flynn bid in an amount to not exceed \$205,000 with the modified scope of work, B Gustafson seconded, all in favor.**

- **Cemetery Forms-** new forms for plots- J Pace asked if there were any comments from the public on the forms, there were but they did not attend tonight. Jacquelyn informed the board that there might be other forms that are needed. There was a tutorial on setting the stones so that was a great event, and they are hoping to get some reset next spring. The board is in line with the suggested form and the board appreciated the collaboration. They will be coming to the board with some cemetery regulations in the next few weeks. Not a legal requirement by the state but leads to more clarity. B Gustafson commented that the trustees are doing a great job.
- **Financial Policy renewals-** the board reviewed the Financial Policy forms for deposits this enables the town employees to make deposits. This is form that needs to be reviewed and renewed annually by April 30<sup>th</sup>. The Financial Policy does not have to be renewed yearly.

**B Solomon made a motion to approve the deposits permissions for Carlene Wiggin, Kathleen Felch, Linda Buxton and Sarah Wiggin, B Gustafson seconded, all in favor.**

- Current Use – Rice
  - The board reviewed the current use release for \$16,200 for 182 Drinkwater Road M12 L46-1

**B Solomon motioned to approve the tax of \$16,200 for Land Use Change Tax (LUCT) for M 12 L 46-1p, B Gustafson seconded all in favor.**

**This entire amount will be placed in the Conservation Commission fund due to the recent warrant article that was approved in March of 2022.**

- Abatement- Campground-registered camper M 17 110-115 41.00 M 17 110-103 \$59
  - **B Gustafson moved to abate \$41 from M 17 Lot 110-115 B Solomon seconded, all in favor.**
  - **B Gustafson moved to abate \$59 from M 17 Lot 110-103 B Solomon Seconded all in favor.**

- Timber Tax Warrant

- Map 9 L 13-2 off of Wild Pasture Road for \$856.71

**B Solomon motioned to approve the levy the timber tax \$856.71 for M 9 Lot 13-2, B Gustafson seconded, all in favor.**

Kathleen Felch:

- PA-28 Inventory form- This is a DRA required form. The board reviewed the form and **B Solomon motioned to not use the Inventory Forms and to sign the PA 28 form, B Gustafson seconded all in favor.**
- Removal of boundary stones from roadside at 41 Muddy Pond Road, the board reviewed the letter and signed it. The resident will be sent the letter advising them to return the stones to the wall.

- Grange Hall Permit for Kensington Library- Permittee Dana Donovan,  
**B Solomon made a motion to approve the use of the Grange Hall on August 15, B Gustafson seconded, all in favor.**

The board reviewed and signed the bills and payroll presented.

- Approval of Board Minutes- **June 6 and June 15, 2022**  
**B Solomon made a motion to approve the minutes of June 6<sup>th</sup> and June 15<sup>th</sup>, seconded by B Gustafson, all in favor.**

Bob updated the board to the schedule for Old Home Day on August 13, 2022, the schedule will be presented to the public once it is finalized.

**Confirmed the dates for the upcoming meetings**

- **Next Meeting Dates –July 11 & July 25**  
**August 8<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>**  
**September 12<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>**  
**October 3<sup>rd</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>**

B Gustafson will be working on installing the new sign on Wednesday this week.

There might be a small building committee formed to address the building needs.

**B Gustafson motioned to adjourn at 8:03pm, B Solomon seconded, all in favor.**

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen T Felch