

TOWN OF KENSINGTON
BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING
Kensington Town Hall
95 Amesbury Road
Kensington, NH 03833
MONDAY
September 11, 2017
Meeting Minutes-Draft
6:30pm

In Attendance: Norman DeBoisbriand, Robert Wadleigh, Linda Blood

Norman motioned to open the public session at 6:33pm, Bob seconded all in favor.

CITIZEN'S FORUM –

DEPARTMENT HEADS:

- Police Department –Chief Scott Sanders reported that he had been to a meeting to discuss the lack in radio communication accessibility within the area towns. All radios that were purchased have already been programed and with the implementation of the new system they will all need to be reprogramed, because there is an issue with some Motorola radios. If the towns need to purchase new radios they may do so at a 50% discount. The state might need to step in due to the fact that the towns have already paid out to have the radios reprogramed. He explained that Kensington might need to buy one new radio in the price range of \$2,000. Chief Sanders was very vocal at the meeting that the state should be pushing the vendors to allow the radios to be purchased at cost. There might also be another opportunity to have another vendor to purchase the radios from. The board questioned why Motorola didn't see that this could be an issue. They had the coverage maps and knew that there would be some issues but did not know the extent of it. The maps were not given out to the Sheriff's department before the switch over, and the Chiefs were upset that Motorola is not doing all that they can to correct the issues. Chief Sanders reported that his department was audited from the state and Kensington is in the top tier of the best town's. They needed to do one policy and a few small things. They reviewed the handling and storage procedures, which would be Toni's job, and he explained that she did a remarkable job.

- Fire Department – Fire Department Members-Scott MacDougall reported that it has been quiet. He had a glitch within the reporting module and they are all caught up now and everything is working well.

- Road Manager – David Buxton reported that the drainage on Osgood Road will be complete tomorrow. He explained that there is an issue with the plowing at the salt shed and he thinks that possibly paving the area to the opening of the shed will help. They would like to pave from Route 107 through the gate 12-14 feet wide so that there is a better base. He explained that when the lot was traded to the town it was prepped for the building but should have gone a few feet further. He would like to get the department heads together for winter paving before the season starts so that there is no issue about who is doing what for the snow season.

Norman stated that the paving in the Town Hall parking lot should have a gravel shoulder installed, Dave will get ahold of Matrix tonight to see what can be done.

Bob stated that he talked to Christian and the pipe will have to stay in the Tannery Way subdivision due to the supporting system, and he informed him that the letter from the Alteration of Terrain stated that the town was to keep the easements clean of debris as well as evasive species and he has some concerns about this. The board approved for him to contact the representative at the bureau with questions. David explained that the burden should fall on the current land owner before it is deeded to the town. The road would have to go to town vote to get excepted, which would be at least a year after it is completed. If it is not kept clean then the Selectmen could

not agree to support the article. Dave asked if a letter could be drawn up to the planning board that indicates what the current board is requesting, and that it is directed to the Planning Board and future members so that the letter is kept in perpetuity. This letter should explain that the board would like the Planning Board to keep in mind the costs of upkeep when approving projects within the town.

- Emergency Management- Chief Scott Sanders reported that he has been working with the area Emergency Management representative and has been talking to Alex and is now getting the emails to keep him informed. The smaller grant that Bob had for the TV and the rest of the things are coming in soon. He will finish that one out for the town.

- Tax Collector- Carlene Wiggin- nothing to report.

- Town Clerk – Dawn Frost-not in attendance.

- Recreation Department- Holly reported that she remembered that there was a discussion and there was an official policy in the books for billing and the town hadn't been following them in the past and when she came in with the amounts figured last year on the posted information, the leagues were shocked and didn't want to pay that amount. The board will be continuing the discussion about what to do in the future on the billing, as well as fees.

The Town trick or treat will be October 31, 2017 from 5-7pm and Holly was asking if there was anything reported to the police department.

Bradford Ski Trip will need to be coordinated by someone else this year and the recreation department will be looking into it.

The Lacrosse Team has been billed and there was some damage done to the fields and the Trust will be looking into fixing it, as well as the fields from the baseball teams usage.

- Conservation Commission –not in attendance

- Sawyer Kensington Trust-not in attendance

- Treasurer- Michael Schwotzer-not in attendance

- Other Department Heads

Charrette- minutes were turned into Kathy which were posted to the PlanNH page on the website. Jim Webber agreed to be the representative to the Board of Selectmen for the Charrette.

NEW BUSINESS:

Comstar Write Offs- there was a hardship given to the board for the ambulance, the write offs will be discussed at the next meeting.

Town Road Use Permit- for a Cycling event and have been proactive on working with the Town and Police department in the past. **Bob made a motion to approve the permit for King Challenge for October 21, 2017, Norman seconded, all in favor.**

Park Permits- Norman asked whenever there is a permit for the field rentals or user fees the recreation department should be given a copy. **Norman made a motion to approve the Seacoast United pending the insurance certificate, Bob seconded, all in favor.**

Norman made a motion to approve the CMS vs EHS Softball game for September 28, 2017, Bob seconded, all in favor.

Norman made a motion to approve the pavilion use for Beams on September 23, 2017, Bob seconded, all in favor.

Trustee appointment- there were two members of the trust fund in attendance and the appointee was not able to make the meeting, but they are happy to have him. **Linda made a motion to appoint Shawn Smith as a Trustee, Bob seconded, all in favor.**

OLD BUSINESS:

Town and Kensington Sawyer Trust Agreement review- Norman updated the board that he had talked to Bruce about the agreement, and he agreed that the agreement would terminate at the end of 10 years. There is a question of if it will expire at the end of this year or when the park was finished. The trust wants to renegotiate the agreement, and the board will get some information from the trust on their expectations that they can review hopefully at the next meeting.

Air Testing- the board has scheduled the six-month air test that will be next week. This testing will continue for the next few years to ensure a safe environment for the employees.

Audio Visual for Main Hall-Norman met with a company from Portsmouth for an audio-visual sound system for the Meeting Hall area, and a tv for the office area, that will keep the residents updated on town events. They will be coming back with a quote at the beginning of next week. There was a quote already received for \$21, 000. This company will not have to go into the ceiling to mount the speakers and they can be programmed to isolate a certain area. There will be an automatic screen with a projector mounted in the ceiling, so that there can be training sessions conducted here, and the ability to use a power point. In the future, the meetings could also be streamed live to the residents. Mr. Webber asked about the acoustics in the town hall, and they talked about microphones on the head table and one for the person speaking. The key in a room such as this would be having the speakers in front or behind the speakers and they can target the areas that have issues.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Lambert Letter- Board okay with sending out letter to Mr. Lambert.
The board reviewed the bills presented and signed them.

Norman made a motion to approve the following minutes:

January 2, 16, 23, 2017 and February 6, 13, 16, 20, 23, 2017

March 6, 13, 20, 23, 2017 and April 3, 2017

Bob seconded, all in favor.

- Non Public Session- RSA91A:3, II (a,b,c,d,e,i,l) if needed

Norman made a motion to go into non-public at 7:35pm, Bob seconded, all in favor. Legal and personnel issues were discussed. Norman made a motion to leave non-public and permanently seal at 8:26pm, Bob seconded, all in favor.

The board discussed the need to start looking for members to serve on the Budget Committee, they will post for anyone with interest to contact the town hall.

There have been some calls about residents wanting to help out with the Trail Committee, the board will add this to the agenda for next meeting.

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Norman made a motion to leave public session at 8:30pm, Bob seconded, all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathleen T Felch

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