

TOWN OF KENSINGTON
BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING
Kensington Town Hall
95 Amesbury Road
Kensington, NH 03833
MONDAY
September 25, 2017
Meeting Minutes -approved 10/02/2017
6:30pm

In Attendance: Norman DeBoisbriand, Robert Wadleigh, Linda Blood

CITIZEN'S FORUM –

Bob Beckman introduced himself and explained his background to the board. He is concerned about the large maple tree in the middle of the Kensington Cemetery and explained that it is dangerous. It has damaged his plots due to seepage and cleaning them only lasted a year. He contacted a member of the cemetery trustees and met at the cemetery to view the damage, and it has not been taken down or repaired yet. He is here to see if the board can do anything about this issue, and asked if they could do something about it soon. Fred Bloomberg explained that the whole tree needs to come down because it is hollow in the middle. The board will set up a meeting with all of the trustees to discuss what will need to be done.

DEPARTMENT HEADS:

- Police Department –Chief Scott Sanders stated that he is waiting for the quote from Foss on the cruiser lease to be able to complete his budget.
- Fire Department – Fire Department Members- Scott MacDougall explained that he had brought the board information on a new washing machine and would like to use some of the money left in the budget to purchase it. It will be a hefty sum, but there is more than enough money in the budget to cover it. The board saw no issues with him getting quotes together. He will try to have the quotes back to the board for the next meeting.
Norman explained that they had received a letter of resignation from Matt Andrews, and after much thought he is leaving the fire department. Scott and Paul were both aware of the resignation. Scott MacDougall has contacted Dave Buxton to meet and discuss the fire ponds and what ones they need to do the work on, they are also looking to do cisterns throughout town, where needed, and need estimates on it. There are some ponds that are not accessible due to not having easements, so those will be worked on further to gain the easements or rights to cross property if needed.
- Road Manager – David Buxton- was not in attendance, but Bob updated the board. He believes that David has one quote on the road repairs, and will get him to contact the fire department to work on the quotes needed for the fire ponds.
- Emergency Management- Chief Scott Sanders- Norman reported that they received an estimate for the audio visual and hopes to secure the final estimate this week. He will call and schedule a meeting.
- Tax Collector- Carlene Wiggin-nothing to report
- Town Clerk – Dawn Frost-not in attendance
- Recreation Department-not in attendance

- Conservation Commission –not in attendance; Norman updated everyone that Casella has suspended the project on the Bodwell's properties within town. There was no indication in the letter if they would start back up again or if this is going to be suspended long term.
- Sawyer Kensington Trust-not in attendance
- Treasurer- Michael Schwotzer-not in attendance
- Other Department Heads

Plan NH Charrette- there will be a meeting here on Wednesday night at 7pm for all department heads, the committee will update them on the progress and explain what they are hoping to do.

NEW BUSINESS

Comstar Write Offs- will be done later.

Park Permits- Track Meet- The Kensington Elementary School will be hosting a track meet on October 4, 2017 from 3-6pm. Chief Sanders informed the board that they have been contacted and due to the runners having to access Trundle Bed Lane, so they have decided that the road will be closed for a portion of the time. Lili had called and stated that there was a small section of the area that the runners used that was not mowed this year, Kathy was asked to contact Harold to see if that could be done.

Linda made a motion to approve the application for the Kensington track meet on October 4, 2017, Bob seconded, all in favor.

Appointment for Cemetery Trustee- Joan Webber will be resigning from her position as of tonight, she passed the board her letter of resignation. There was no reason for the resignation, just that she was resigning. Linda asked her how long she has served as a cemetery trustee, and she has been on the board maybe five years. Norman explained that Fred Bloomberg has been nominated by the committee to fill in. **Norman made a motion approve the appointment for Fred Bloomberg to the Cemetery Trustees, Bob seconded, all in favor.**

Trails Committee- There are two interested people in being part of the trail committee. Kathy will reach out to the current members and let them know that there is interest and see where they are in the process.

Open Air Permit- Pinnacle Leadership Foundation turned in an application for an open-air assembly for a Halloween Gathering on October 28th, from 3pm-8pm at Alnoba. Chief Sanders was asked if they had contacted him to see if a detail was needed, and he has not been contacted yet. **Bob motioned to approve the permit for the gathering on October 28th conditionally and for them to contact the police department to see if a detail is needed for the event, Norman seconded, all in favor.**

Trash Stickers-Kathy explained that there is a need for more stickers and the board reviewed the quote and signed off on the quote. The board okayed the ordering of the 32,000 stickers for the town trash collection. Norman explained that there are counterfeit stickers for the town that have been printed up on duct tape, the residence has been putting out at least 10 bags weekly, and if this continues the board will be taking action.

OLD BUSINESS:

Town and Kensington Sawyer Trust Agreement review-nothing from the Trust yet for the board to review.

Fire Department -Follow up with Exeter-nothing to report this week.

Budget Committee- Fred Feldman expressed that he is interested in helping out this year and Kathy has posted a notice for members on the website. Kathy will make up some signs for interest in the budget committee to be placed at the town hall.

Bills and Mail were reviewed and signed off on.

Non-Public RSA 91-A:3, II(a,b,c,l)

Norman motioned to go into nonpublic session at 7:09pm, Bob seconded all in favor.

Norman motioned to leave non-public session at 8:37pm, and seal the minutes permanently, Bob seconded, all in favor.

• **Next Meeting Date – Moved to October 9, 2017 6:30pm; and October 23, 2017 6:30pm.**

The board agreed to move the meeting dates in October to the 2nd and 4th weeks due to having 5 weeks in October.

Bob motioned to move the October meeting dates to 10/9 & 10/23, Norman seconded, all in favor.

Norman motioned to approve the following meeting minutes: August 28; September 11 and September 19, Bob seconded, all in favor.

Norman motioned to adjourn at 8:39pm, Bob seconded, all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen T Felch