

Boscawen Selectmen's Regular Meeting  
Final Minutes 06.28.17  
Approved on 07.26.17

**Present:** Chair Mark Varney, Selectman Bernie Davis, Selectman Roger Sanborn, Nicole Hoyt, Alan Hardy, Katie Phelps, Kevin Wyman, and Ray Fisher and Dean Hollins.

**Excused:** Pennie Vigue and Kellee Easler.

Selectman Varney opened the meeting at 4:30pm, led us in the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

**Attendees:** Bruce Crawford, John Porter, Jeff Abbe, Dean Williams, Mike Vignali.

Agricultural Commission discussion in regard to the Garden Committee. Currently they have been rototilling the community garden, everything has been going really well, they do still have room for expansion in all directions. John Porter states that as of now they have approximately 70 gardeners. We've had over 50 inches of rain. The shed project came in at approximately \$2,500.00 which was slightly under budget. The Town has really come together to work on this and the Commission would like to express thanks to the Town.

Central NH Planning Commission discussion on proposed additions to the 10 year plan for the Town of Boscawen. Alan is working closely with them. The engineer for these specific projects is under contract with the Planning Commission. Most of the plans will cover quite a bit of King Street and changes to that area including a round a bout near the Boscawen Congregational Church, added crosswalks in the areas that seem to have the greatest need for them, two benches and a street light in an area that could potentially become a bus stop area in the future, a pedestrian refuge island, a bike lane, turning lanes and work to sidewalks. This will become a Planning Board project and surely will see changes throughout that process. Mike Vignali states that the Department of Transportation will be involved in all aspects of the project every step of the way due to the fact this is a state maintained roadway. Mike also wanted to say that the round a bout will drastically cut down on speeding in that area and pedestrian crossing will be much safer. A couple of driveways will need to be re-located for this project but the impact should not be that bad.

**Accountant, Katie Phelps:** Katie requested that funds be transferred to the general account to pay the invoice for labor from Cybertron. Chairman Varney moved to transfer funds in the amount of \$7,500.00 from the Municipal IT account to the general account for payment of the invoice, Selectman Davis seconded that motion, all in favor.

**Planning and Community Development Clerk, Katie Phelps:** The Land Use department currently has two open projects. One for a building demolition at 321 Daniel Webster Highway

and one general renovation at 38 High Street. For 06.24.17 five yard sale permits were issued: 170 King Street, 29 Dustin, 53 N Main Street, 25 Jackson and 27 Jackson.

**Chief of Police, Kevin Wyman:** Kevin presented a quote for a new cruiser, white, just over \$28,000, however, we would need black which comes in at around \$27,000. He also presented two quotes for equipment for that were at \$8,831.30 and \$7,464.00 although he does plan to pull equipment from the charger to use in the new vehicle as well.

**Public Works Director, Dean Hollins:** G.M.I. has won the bid for paving project, hopefully a start date will be planned soon, and Dean also expects to receive two catch basins from the state he will use in this project.

**Fire Chief, Ray Fisher:** Ray reports that the lights at the Fire Station are much better now that they have been replaced. He also stated that Engine II and EI batteries were not working. They had to be repaired for the first time since 2003.

**Co-Administrator, Alan Hardy:** Discussion in regard to damage due to the lightning strike. The alarm system was the first thing to be found damaged, everything in both cabinets were fried except the actual alarm casing itself. They were destroyed and not able to be replaced, everything was replaced in new condition.

Two telephone systems went down. They are still not operating properly. Signs have been placed in the municipal building as well as noticed to the public via our Town website. The Police Departments phone system appears to now be in working order, however, the Administration portion of the building is still experiencing failures in there phone systems. The quotes on the two systems are \$3,700.00 each.

The computer systems. Neither server was damaged, however, all switches were completely lost. The modem was the one thing we rent and so that was replaced at no cost to the Town. Since the incident we have also lost two more computers, the Town Clerks computer and the Human Service Office computer. Both will be replaced.

Alan just received a notice from Unitil, they plan to use herbicide in the Town of Boscawen. Alan will work with the Town Clerk to get all pertinent information posted for the public. We will also have coupons here at the Town Municipal Building for residents who would rather not have the herbicide sprayed near their homes.

**Co-Administrator, Nicole Hoyt:** The Edward Thornton Trust Fund has made a donation in the amount of \$500.00 to the Parks and Recreation program for arts and crafts. A motion is needed to accept the donation. Chairman Varney moved to accept the donation, Selectman Sanborn seconded that motion, all in favor.

Nicole has also been in contact with Tracy Huckins in regard to locking in prices for propane and fuel. Fuel will currently be set at 1.71, propane has not yet been priced. Pennie Vigue is at municipal training today and will update the Board of Selectmen next week.

Public Minutes for 06.07.17 were presented for approval by the board. Chairman Varney moved to accept the minutes, Selectman Sanborn seconded that motion, all in favor.

**New Business:** Selectman Sanborn questioned how the Dollar General situation was going. Alan reports that the counsel for all three parties have spoken and put a plan into the Judge that has been approved. This essentially sends the project back to the planning process and to another public hearing. All prior approvals are null and void.

It was also asked if the Parks and Recreation had a good start to the summer season and Nicole said that it went well and the first day they had 63 children attend.

**Motion to move into non-public session per RSA 91-A: 3, II (c) at 6:33pm made by Mark Varney, and seconded by Roger Sanborn. All in favor. Roll Call: Roger Sanborn – yes, Bernie Davis – yes, Mark Varney – yes.**

**Motion to move into non-public session per RSA 91-A: 3, II (c) at 6:36pm made by Roger Sanborn, and seconded by Mark Varney. All in favor. Roll Call: Roger Sanborn – yes, Bernie Davis – yes, Mark Varney – yes.**

**Motion to leave non-public session at 6:48pm made by Mark Varney, and seconded by Roger Sanborn. All in favor. Roll Call: Roger Sanborn – yes, Bernie Davis – yes, Mark Varney – yes.**

**Motion to seal the non-public sessions minutes RSA 91-A:3, II (c) made by Mark Varney, and seconded by Bernard Davis. All in favor.**

**Motion to adjourn public session was made by Selectman Varney, seconded by Selectmen Sanborn, all in favor, adjourned at 6:48pm.**

**\*For unedited minutes please refer to The Town of Boscawen's Website**

*Respectfully submitted by Pennie G. Vigue*