

Town of Boscawen
Board of Selectmen
Final Minutes
Wednesday, June 27, 2018 at 5:00pm

In attendance: Mark Varney, Roger Sanborn, Katie Phelps, Kevin Wyman, Ray Fisher, Dean Hollins, Kellee Easler, Nicole Hoyt, Sarah Gerlack, John Keegan and Lorrie Carey

Chairman Mark Varney opened the meeting with the pledge of allegiance at 5:00pm and a moment of silence.

Co-administrator Nicole Hoyt questioned to see if there were any items that should be removed from the Consent portion of the agenda. The Board made a motion to approve the consent agenda.

Chairman Mark Varney made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Selectman Roger Sanborn seconded. All in favor.

Scheduled Speakers:

John Keegan from the Agricultural Committee came to address the Board today about naming the community garden after Ken Marshall and will be named the Ken Marshall Memorial Garden. The family has been very supportive and has been providing the information needed to have this happen. They will present it during Old Home week. Jim Bode was also an active member of the Community Garden and he has recently passed. The Agricultural Committee is adding a memorial bench in his honor with a little garden spot in the shade to enjoy. John also wanted to update the Board of the use of the community garden this year. Out of 60 plots 50 are in use this year. That is an increase from the past years. John wants to thank Roger Sanborn and Tom Giovagnoli for their help with equipment and donation of manure. John said it has really become a community project.

Chairman Mark Varney made a motion to name the Community Garden the Ken Marshall Memorial Garden. Selectman Roger Sanborn seconded. All in favor.

Lorrie Carrey came to the Board to thank the Town and the Police Department for sending a police officer down to the summer park program and talking to the kids about drug safety and what to do if they found something they think may be drug related. Lorrie also wanted to let the Board know that during her walks down to the park on Depot Street there is a swastika painted on the side walk and was hoping that it could get cleaned up.

Lorrie wanted to let the Board know of a backpack food program Merrimack Valley School District is teaming up with Friends of Forgotten Children for the kids at Boscawen Elementary School. The MVDS has done this program in Penacook and it has been successful. They provide kids with a backpack with food for them to eat from for the weekend. There was 30 kids from Penacook Elementary School that took part of the program last year and this year they are expanding it to Boscawen Elementary. They will be looking for Donations and Volunteers.

Lorrie wanted to share with the Board the Consumer Confidence report from the Penacook Boscawen Water Precinct. They met with the Department of Environmental Services and were made aware of a grant application made for Woody Hollow Cooperation. The Water Precinct is

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working on getting their grant for the trust money that is available and that will be done in 2019. The Precinct has been working on various options for Water Street which could cost up to 1.2 million dollars. With all the new developments being built in the Town there is concern with the water capacity and well capacity. They have a few permits for well sites behind the Veterans Cemetery. They would like to be made aware when new developments are being built in Town to keep an eye on the usage. Kellee Easler responded that her office notifies PBWP of all Site Plan and Subdivisions and confirmed that she would like me to continue to send emails to Lorrie, Shawn & Bruce Crawford and Lorrie said yes. Chairman Mark Varney asked Lorrie if the Town was all set with receiving data from Pennichuck for the sewer bills. Nicole mentioned that she has been in contact with Pennichuck and Avitar and they are working on a process to receive the readings for the sewer bills. Avitar is contacting them to get the final details. One of the issues that is coming up is Pennichuck is not giving out reads for final sewer bills won't send the Town closing readings for real estate sales. Nicole was asking if there is a way for the Precinct to give out permission for them to give out the information. Lorrie said that they had a meeting on Monday with Pennichuck and she has a whole list of questions to answer for them and that was one of the questions but at this time realtors will not have same day access for a final read. There are a lot of new policies that are being put in place that they have never had so there will be an adjustment period for everyone. Mark Varney has asked about the house on North Main Street that had some problems arise over the winter. They have looked back to see when the problem started to happen and it happen when North Main Street was paved. They will need permission from the state before they do anything on the state road unless they are able to come up from Park Street. Lorrie said it is at the top of the list. If you need to get ahold of someone at Pennichuck you can call the Water Precinct number and press 1 or call Pennichuck at 1-800-553-5191.

Staff Presentation and Feedback:

Fire Chief Ray Fisher wanted to report that there is a gas can on the roof of Bob Hardy's House on North Main Street and wanted to have someone contact him to let him know.

Ray reported that on Saturday they were at a Fire Drill in Webster and they were having problems with the front suck on the fire engine #2 and were unable to get water from it. Ray called around and they are able to get it changed in the lakes region. Ray presented the Board with a quotes for \$1,400.00 for decals for the trailer and the gator for the fire department. The Board will work with Katie to see where in the budget that would come from.

Public Works Director Dean Hollins updated the Board about the lights down at the Boscawen Park. The lights were delivered and installed with help from Mike warren on Monday. Dean went by at dusk and they were nice and bright.

Dean that is may be time to replace the backhoe after having more complications this past week with it.

Dean wanted to thank the Board and Town employees for the cookout and plaque on Friday. He

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has received several potential employees for the two open positions that are open in Public Works.

Dean received a donation of \$500.00 to replace shrubs in a family cemetery plot.

Chairman Mark Varney made a motion to accept the \$500.00 donation for the care of the cemetery plot. Selectman Roger Sanborn seconded. All in favor.

Finance Officer Katie Phelps presented the Board with a \$50 donation for Old Home Day Committee.

Chairman Mark Varney made a motion to accept the donation of \$50 for the Old Home Day Committee. Selectman Roger Sanborn seconded. All in favor.

Katie informed the Board that Checkmate is starting to charge a delivery charge for shipping the payroll checks. There are only about five live checks that are printed out each week. One of the options would be for the Town to purchase a laser printer for \$225.00 and print out the checks from the office. It cost \$35 for 3,500 checks from Checkmate.

Chairman Mark Varney made a motion for the Town to purchase a laser printer for no more than \$250.00. Selectman Roger Sanborn seconded. All in favor.

Co-Administrator Nicole Hoyt presented the Board with a donation of \$900.00 for the Parks and Recreation Summer Concerts from Infinite Health Chiropractic

Chairman Mark Varney made a motion to accept the \$900.00 donation for the Park and Recreation Summer Concerts from Infinite Health Chiropractic. Selectman Roger Sanborn seconded. All in favor.

Nicole mentioned to the Board that the Parks and Rec. Committee would like to get a banner made up to advertise the summer concerts.

Nicole presented the Board with and Thank you card from the Northern Rail Trail and the American Diabetes Association for the donations made from the Town.

Nicole presented the Board with an abatement for signature. The abatement is for the property that Comcast surrendered near the transfer station in the amount of \$472.00.

Selectman Roger Sanborn made a motion to accept the abatement in the amount of \$472.00. Chairman Mark Varney seconded. All in favor.

Nicole received a notice of foreclosure on a house on North Main Street. She also got a call from

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Pattu Kesavan today and wanted to know if the Town was interested in buying the property that he owns at Kesavan Drive on North Main Street for \$200,000.00. The Board made no decisions and inquired if the abutted business may be interested. Kellee Easler mentioned that she had met with the property manager a few weeks ago and he was given 30 days to address the violations on the property. She has not received a call back. At this point the Board said to reach out to the property owner and let him know of the violations. Nicole will provide Kellee with all the contact information.

Old Business:

Nicole did not attend the meeting that the Peacock Academy Committee came to. Nicole has listened to the meeting and wanted to know if the Board wanted clarification on any part of the conversation. Nicole mentioned that the appointments need to be redone for the committee. The committee is made up of three members. Linda Maloof was appointed by the Board of Selectmen her term is up , Rebecca Rolfe Sutherland is a descendant and Polly Dawson was chosen from the Historical Society and she will check with them if they want her to continue. The Board has chosen to continue the discussion on appointing a member at the next Board of Selectmen Meeting. Mark would like to have clarification on the meaning of premises in the decree and what that includes. If that includes landscaping. Nicole mentioned it also says signs. Does that mean signs on the building or parking lot signs? Nicole did mention that during that meeting they approved the benches and waived the public notice and unfortunately that is not legal and they will have to hold a public notice so the benches are not approved.

Chairman Mark Varney made a motion to approve the nonpublic minutes #1 - #3, Selectman Roger Sanborn seconded. All in favor.

Chairman Mark Varney made a motion to go into nonpublic RSA 91-A: 3, II (c). Selectman Roger Sanborn Seconded. All in favor.

Selectman Roger Sanborn a motion come out of nonpublic RSA 91-A: 3, II (c) and seal the minutes. Chairman Mark Varney Seconded. All in favor.

Selectman Roger Sanborn made a motion to adjourn the public meeting at 6:30pm. Chairman Mark Varney seconded. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted by Sarah Gerlack