

# TOWN OF DANBURY - Board of Selectmen

## Meeting Minutes

Wednesday , September 19, 2018 6:00 pm

### Members Present:

James Phelps  
Jessica Hatch  
Lyn England arriving late  
Karen Padgett

Administrative Assistant

### APPOINTMENTS

**GEALY 6:30 PM**  
**GIBERSON 7:00PM**

### CHECKS/APPLICATIONS/SIGNATURES

- **Payroll and accounts payable** were signed.
- Jim made a motion to approve the **minutes of 9/5**, seconded by Jessica. Motion passed unanimously.
- August bank reconciliations were signed.
- Jessica made a motion to sign a **building permit 15-2018B for Ronald and Christine Benoit, map 406 lot 040**, for a shed on Brookside Lane. Motion was seconded by Jim and passed unanimously.
- Jessica made a motion to sign a **building permit for Richard Patten, map 406 lot 077, for a new house and shop on Partridge Lane**. Motion was seconded by Jim and passed unanimously.
- Jim made a motion to sign a **purchase order** to Franks Auto for **Fire Department** rescue vehicle air conditioning work in the amount of **\$1,273.20**. Motion seconded by Jessica and passed unanimously.
- Jessica motioned to sign an **Intent to Cut** for Tracy and Michael Feinauer, **map 403 lot 027** on Forbes Mountain Road. Motion was seconded by Jim and passed unanimously.
- Jessica made a motion to approve **driveway permit # 2018-4-T for map 416 lot 062 , Ragged Mountain Resort**, seconded by Lyn. Motion passed 2-0 with Jim Phelps abstaining.

### HIGHWAY/ROAD AGENT CORNELL(NOT PRESENT)

- The **2005** truck is at Reed Truck Services to fix an electrical issue. The truck was randomly shutting off while Noel was driving down the road.
- The Backhoe is at Nortrax having repairs done that will be covered under warranty. Huntoon Excavation transported it to Nortrax.
- Road Agent Cornell is concerned about winter plowing on Railroad Drive. One property owner has been parking vehicles in the road right of way near the rail trail. In the past the road was plowed with the pick up, but Cornell wants to use the one of the plow trucks. Also, he is working with the new owners at the end of the road for a turn around. The Selectboard asked Karen to write a letter to the homeowner asking them to move any vehicles parked in the road right of way.
- The Morton Salt bid was reviewed. Granite State Minerals won the state bid for salt. The Road Agent is waiting on Cargill pricing before placing order.

### OLD BUSINESS

- An email reply was received from Dan Hudnut of Wagner Forest Management with the property owner's response regarding the New Canada Rd plowing turnaround. The Board reviewed the email, will do some research about other options for a turnaround and discuss at the next Selectmen's meeting.
- John Tauriello of Wallace Building Products emailed regarding the placement of a building on the property without a building permit. He is working on a property swap with the abutting landowner and the building permit application should be forthcoming.
- Scott McClory of Lilac Lane is requesting that on the day of the auction of the 2 tax deeded properties on the road that the road be closed to traffic. The Selectboard agreed that this is a good idea. Parking will be on Bohonon Road.

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## NEW BUSINESS

- The Board reviewed and answered a list of Danbury addressing discrepancies and questions submitted by Jeannie Cadarette, a NH E 9-1-1 Field Representative. Karen will submit the responses.
- A resident on Wild Meadow came in to the office on 9/14 to complain that the grading of the road had caused her car to have a flat tire. She inquired as to when the road would be paved.
- The State surplus auction will be on 10/20/18. At this time the Selectmen do not know of any surplus items that could be taken to auction.
- The Board reviewed a document provided by Tricia Taylor, Tax Collector, referencing a recent court case. The case involved the constitutionality of a town keeping the excess proceeds from a sale of tax deeded property that the municipality has owned for more than three years.

## WILLIAM GEALY

Mr. Gealy came in with a few more questions for the Board regarding the property at 9 Lilac Lane which was taken by tax deed in 2016 and will be auctioned off on October 13. He asked if the town had received any notification from Citizen's Bank that the mortgage had been released. Lyn told him that this is not a notice the Town would receive. Karen noted that she had not seen any mortgage release on the Merrimack County Registry of Deeds webpage. Other questions he had pertaining to the auction procedures were answered by the Board of Selectmen.

## MICHAEL GIBERSON

Mr. Giberson came in to discuss making payment arrangements to repurchase his tax deeded property at 10 Hemlock Lane. The Board agreed to a repayment plan. Karen will prepare the documents for signatures for the next meeting.

## SELECTMEN

- Jessica stated that the Board will be working with the Planning Board on October 9 in a work session on land use issues involving campers, accessory dwelling units and work force housing.
- There is now a key to the Fire Station in the Selectmen's office.
- Jim will be serving as requested on the 3 member NHDOT bridge commission for the replacement of the US Route 4 bridge over the rail trail. He has not heard if Chief Austin or Road Agent Cornell have agreed to serve on the commission.
- The dogs on Gould Hill Rd are still barking. The nearby residents are not happy.
- Road Agent Cornell has been in discussions with an official of the elementary school about the way the parking lot should be plowed. Jim suggested that it might be time look into the school district taking responsibility for the plowing. He will make some phone calls to see if other schools are plowed by the district.
- Lyn asked if the paperwork for the American Legion had been sent to Dan Phelps. Jim provided an address for the paperwork to be sent to Mr. Phelps. She also asked if the Legion had been permanently exempted from completing the paperwork, because no one ever remembers having filed the documents with the town.

## ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

- Will be out of office for NHMA Budget and Finance workshop tomorrow to be held in Lincoln.
- Karen reported that damage had been done at the transfer station to the new railings built by Jim Larkin when Naughton hauling was switching out containers.

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## FYI

- NASD to return use \$1 million of fund balance to reduce tax rate
- Letters written to Bliss and Wallace BP re no building permits
- Meet the candidates at George Heaton 9/28 5:30pm
- ZBA notice of hearing on Clarke special exception 9/27/18
- Health Trust public hearing notice
- Ragged Mt Resort alteration of terrain permit application for parking lot
- Assessing officials ballot
- School Funding forum 9/27 6pm Mascoma High School

At 7:30 pm Jim made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Jessica. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted Karen Padgett, Administrative Assistant