

TOWN OF DANBURY - Board of Selectmen

Meeting Minutes Wednesday, October 2, 2019 6:15 pm

Members Present: Jessica Hatch, Chair
 James Phelps
 Lyn England
Administrative Assistant Karen Padgett

Appointments **6:15 Dan Hudnut,**
 Barton Mayer, Town Attorney

Also present Tim Martin, Wilmot Road Agent
 Jeremy Cornell, Danbury Road Agent

Chairwoman Hatch opened the meeting at 6:15pm

See attached notes for the meeting on the New Canada Road Easement meeting

Checks/Applications/Signatures

- **Payroll and accounts payable** were signed.
- Jessica motioned to accept the **minutes of 9/18** seconded by Lyn. Motion passed 3-0.
- Jim motioned to sign a **corrected Land Use Change Tax for Tancrede** in the amount of \$2,200. The previously signed document has a typographical error. Motion was seconded by Jessica, passed unanimously and the revised LUCT was signed.
- **Building Permits -**
 - 28-2019B Suckling 416-019 26 Reed Hill Rd/ New Home Construction.** Jim motioned to approve, Lyn second. All in favor.
 - 33-2019B DeRobertis 409-044 96 Waukeena Lake Rd/ 12 x 20 addition and new porch.** Jim motioned to approve, Jessica second, all in favor.
 - 34-2019B Gates 410-036 8' x 10' porch addition.** Jim motioned to approve, Jessica second, all in favor.
 - 35-2019B Scanlan 413-021 Walker Brook Rd/ post and beam sugar house.** Jim motioned to approve, Jessica second, all in favor.
 - 36-2019B Connors 411-081 313 Ragged Mountain Rd/ new deck with ramp.** Jim motioned to approve, Jessica second, all in favor.
- Jessica made a motion to sign a **timber tax bill for Jim Phelps \$7,800.40** for operation **19-111-11-T**, 32 Wiggin Rd. Motion was seconded by Lyn and passed 2-0 with Jim abstaining.
- **Purchase order for the Fire Department** for \$1795 for the annual air pack and hydraulic tool service. Lyn motioned to approve the purchase order, seconded by Jessica. Motion passed 3-0.
- **Purchase order for the Highway Department** for \$1,339 for winter chains for the plow trucks. These are on sale. Motion made by Jessica to sign the purchase order, seconded by Jim. Motion passed 3-0.

Old Business:

- The absolute auction of three tax deeded property is scheduled for October 26, 2019. Brochures and ad samples have been received from JSJ auctions. Locks have been changed and JSJ has the keys to show the properties if requested.
- Two letters from Doug Colby were delivered just prior to the Selectmen's meeting. The first is a right to know request for information and the meeting recording pertaining to the cease and desist order for construction being done a Dick's Store without seeking site plan review from the Planning Board. Karen will respond to the right to know request. The letter asks that all decisions be rescinded that involve Selectmen Phelps. The other letter, presumably sent to several entities - Danbury Planning Board, the Zoning Board of Adjustments, The NHDOT Commissioner and the NH Food Licensing Bureau, with a complaint regarding the Danbury Country Store. These letters were given to the town attorney.
- No action was taken on the ongoing building permit revision.
- No action was taken on the highway garage issue re letter from Fire Department

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- Courtesy notices were sent to a few property owners regarding building without a building permit. Additional violations were mentioned and three more letters will be sent.
- Karen met with Roy Boyer of Waste Management to discuss the solid waste contract renewal. In his initial proposal, the haul fee will drop, but the disposal per ton will increase about 3.5% annually. Waste Management would also like the opportunity to bid on our recycling. He will attend the 10/16 Selectmen's meeting to talk with the Board.

New Business:

- No action was taken on the assessing officials ballot for officers as the Board is not familiar with any of the candidates.
- There was a forest fire September 22, 2019 at US Route 4 Forest Fire Warden Mert Austin submitted payroll for those who worked the fire that amounted to \$301.77. This amount will not be submitted to the state for reimbursement because it was an accidental fire with known cause and responsibility.
- The State budget has passed and revenue sharing figures along with municipal aid has been established for this year. \$16,544.50 will be paid on 10/15/19.

At 7:10 Jim made a motion to go into nonpublic session per **RSA 91-A:3, II (c) Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person, other than a member of the public body itself, unless such person requests an open meeting. This exemption shall extend to any application for assistance or tax abatement or waiver of a fee, fine, or other levy, if based on inability to pay or poverty of the applicant.** Motion was seconded by Jessica and all in favor.

At 7:34 the Board came out of non public session by motion of Jim, second by Jessica with all in favor. No decisions were made and no votes taken.

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- John Dickinson, owner of 406-154 on Hemlock Lane phoned regarding the courtesy notice that was sent regarding the RV on his property. He is currently working with a septic designer and as soon as that is complete he will submit a building permit application.
- Karen is working on completing the MS-1 All steps have been completed on the town's end to set the tax rate. The school portion of documentation has not yet been submitted to the NH Department of Revenue. Once that is done the state will apportion the school part of the tax rate and we can proceed.
- A new address has been assigned by E-9-1-1 at the request of the town to the Jenkins property on Waukeena Lake Rd. The address is 431 Waukeena Lake Rd.
- A Right to Know request has been received from attorney Allison Ambrose, representing Peter and Bonnie Ladd, for all governmental records of the town regarding the state bridge replacement project #16303 carrying US Route 4 over the Rail Trail. Jessica stated that most of the records are state records, not records produced by the town. Karen will respond to the right to know request will all information the town has.

FYI/REVIEW

- State surplus auction
- NHMA special legislative bulletin
- Foreclosure auction notice 42 School Pond Rd
- Monthly property sales - August

At 8:15 pm Lyn made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Jessica. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned. The next meeting of the Board of Selectmen will be Wednesday, October 16 at 6 pm.

Respectfully submitted Karen Padgett, Administrative Assistant