

**Town of Danbury**  
**BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES**  
**Wednesday June 1, 2022, 6:00 PM**

**PUBLIC HEARING TO SELL PROPERTY ON LITTLEFIELD RD 6:30PM**

**Members present:** Jessica Hatch, Chair, Tracy Shepard, Ruby Hill

Karen Padgett, Administrative Assistant

**Also present, Barbie Antonides, Deborah Aylward, Joseph Bruderman**

**Jessica Hatch opened the meeting at 6:05pm.**

Ruby made a motion to approve the minutes of April 20 and May 4, seconded by Tracy. Motion passed 3-0.

**Consent Agenda**

- Payroll and accounts payable
- Meeting minutes 5/18/2022
- May bank reconciliations

Jessica motioned to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Ruby. Motion passed 3-0.

**Building/Driveway Permit Applications**

- Driveway Permit – Greater NH Properties 409-022/Barry Highlands Rd

Jessica motioned to approve the driveway permit application, seconded by Tracy. Motion passed 3-0.

**Old Business**

- A follow up letter was received from Echo Glen residents regarding previous complaints that were raised about properties in Echo Glen. The Town will follow up on the previous action taken. Also, a letter will be written to the concerned citizens explaining efforts that are being taken.
- The 1<sup>st</sup> half property tax warrant (**(\$1,517,903.32)**) was signed. Tax bills were mailed on 5/27/22.
- The newspaper ads for the part time police chief position did not produce any applicants. The only applications that have been received for the Police Chief position are respondents to the Indeed.com ad. All of those applicants are from other parts of the country, not local to New Hampshire.

**New Business**

- The property owned by Turnkey Landfill of Danbury (415-057) on Walker Brook Road has potential environmental liabilities. A deed waiver document was prepared, informing the tax collector that the town will not accept the deed to the property. Jessica motioned to sign the deed waiver saying that the town does not want to accept the Turnkey Landfill, Ruby seconded. Motion passed 3-0.
- An email was received from Chris Fore regarding three large line trucks that travelled over Wiggin Road after setting poles in the new subdivision on Ragged Mountain Road. He asked that the town inform the company(BCR) that there is no thru trucking on Wiggin Road to prevent a recurrence.

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- Tracy noted that the activity on Hippie Hill is increasing and is concerned about possible happenings during bike week.
- Ruby followed up with the Police Department on the complaint she received about a pistol permit denial. The citizen has a right to file an appeal with the Superior Court.
- Jessica had a question regarding the naming of the road in the new subdivision off of Ragged Mountain Road. It is being listed by the realtor as Phelps Lane. Karen showed the approved subdivision plan, signed off by the Planning Board, that has the name of the road as Phelps Lane. After reviewing the LUZO, it was determined that the final approval on a road name is done by the Planning Board. Ruby will take it to the next meeting of the Planning Board to see if they approve of the road name.

## **Nonpublic – personnel**

At 6:49 Jessica motioned to enter into nonpublic session per

*RSA 91-A:3, II (a) The dismissal, promotion, or compensation of any public employee or the disciplining of such employee, or the investigation of any charges against him or her, unless the employee affected (1) has a right to a public meeting, and (2) requests that the meeting be open, in which case the request shall be granted.*

Motion was seconded by Tracy and passed unanimously.

At 7:18 Jessica motioned to return to public session, seconded by Ruby. Motion passed 3-0. No decisions were made, and no votes were taken.

Tracy motioned to increase pay for Robert Crisco to \$20 per hour, seconded by Ruby. Motion passed 3-0.

Jessica motioned to increase pay for cemetery worker Arron Judd to \$12/hour, seconded by and passed 3-0.

Jessica motioned to sign a deed waiver for 201-039, seconded by Ruby. Motion passed 3-0.

Jessica motioned to adopt the Part Time Police Chief job description as presented. Motion seconded by Tracy and passed unanimously.

A policy was reviewed and discussed regarding the use of deed waivers. It will be written up for the next meeting and presented for a vote.

Ruby had questions about setting the annual stipend for the cemetery sexton. The stipend is set during the budgeting process. The last time there was an increase in stipend for the sexton or the selectmen was 2015.

## **FYI**

- Septic Construction 411-040 S. Phelps
- LRPC Annual Meeting 6/29/2022 Mojalaki Country Club
- Eversource information re vegetation management score card
- Savannah post card from Jessica

Jessica motioned to adjourn at 7:26pm, seconded by Ruby. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned.

*Respectfully submitted, Karen Padgett, Administrative Assistant*

## **PUBLIC HEARING ON SALE OF LITTLEFIELD ROAD PROPERTIES**

At 6:30 Jessica Hatch opened the hearing on the proposed sale of two town owned properties on Littlefield Road.

To start, Jessica explained that at Town Meeting this year, the voters granted the Selectmen the authority to sell property that was gifted to the Town per RSA 41:14-a. The Town was given two properties on Littlefield Road(tax map 416 lots 023 and 024) in 2017. These lots are not buildable as they are mostly wetlands abutting the Danbury Bog.

The proposal is for these properties to be sold to abutters. She asked if any of the Board members had anything further to add.

She opened up the hearing to the public for comments or questions.

Deborah Aylward asked what is the net acreage of the properties that the Town owns. Each parcel is 3.3 acres.

A question was asked how the properties would be sold. Jessica stated that the proposal is for them to be offered by sealed bids to abutters.

There will be another public hearing, as required by law, on June 15 at 6:30 pm.

Jessica Hatch closed the public hearing at 6:36pm.