



**Warner Board of Selectmen
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, March 28, 2017
UNAPPROVED**

Selectman Carson opened the meeting at 6:03 pm.

In attendance: Selectman Clyde Carson - Chairman, Selectman John Dabuliewicz, Selectman Kimberley Edelman, Jim Bingham – Town Administrator

1. Skeet Shooting – Gould Road

A. Clyde said the purpose of this meeting is to collect some information regarding the activities happening on property owned by Charles and Joyce Rose. The Selectmen's interest primarily is whether there is a zoning issue in terms of is there a skeet shooting business on the Rose's property.

B. The Board began by speaking with the property owners Charles and Joyce Rose:
Charles Rose: Dick Fisher came to me and asked if he can shoot skeets on my land and I told Dick that he could. There's been no money passed to me.
John Dabuliewicz: So there is no lease.
Charles Rose: No lease.
Clyde: How often is the land used for skeet shooting.
Charles Rose: I really don't know.
Kimberley: So there is no money, no written agreement.
Charles Rose: No.

C. The Board then talked to Dick Fisher:
Clyde: Its been said you use the land for skeet shooting with friends and as an extension of your business, can you talk to that please.
Dick Fisher: It's not an extension of my business. We ask for a cost off-set donation to shoot and that's it. Unfortunately I've been taking my own money and doing it because I like them to do it and it's a good time.
Jim Bingham: Just to get some understanding, what type of business are you in now.
Dick Fisher: I have a business permit on my property for my dog kennel training business. I train bird dogs.
John: According to the record we have so far, you use the skeet shooting to train your dogs.
Dick Fisher: I have numerous properties. By the State of NH law, it costs me a lot of money each year to get my permits. I have to have written consent from my landowners if I'm using live birds, which Chuck and Joyce are one of my assignments.
John: So you have written permission from them to train your dogs there?
Dick: Yup, but I don't train on (not audible) anymore simply because there's so much recreational activity going on up there that leaves so much glass up there. I can't run dogs up there anymore, which is pretty sad. But they go out there, they have a fire pit on top of the property and they'll have a party. They can't lug their bottles out, they throw them out on the ledge.
John: So when was the last time you used it to train dogs.
Dick: Probably, I run my own dogs out there because I don't have the obligation to a client. I haven't had a client out there in probably two years.
John: So when's the last time you ran your own dogs up there.
Dick: Last fall.
John: Do you then sell those dogs as hunting dogs?
Dick: That's on my kennel business.
John: OK
Dick: I have a licensed kennel in the town.
Kimberley: Is it a commercial business
Dick: Absolutely, it cost my about \$800 to get a permit.
Kimberley: The reason I ask that is what's the name of the business.
Dick: Mink Hills Kennels
Kimberley: I looked it up on the Secretary of States business.
Dick: It comes up under Peter St. James.
Kimberley: It comes up as not active.
Dick: Yup, I don't have to register with the State of NH, I'm registered with the AKC.

Kimberley: So your a commercial business with the American Kennel Club.

Dick: Right.

Kimberley: But with the State of NH?

Dick: I don't have to have a permit with the State of NH.

Kimberley: I'm just clarifying.

Dick: I have a permit with the town, which there is numerous kennels in the town breeding and selling dogs and they do not have a permit with the town.

Clyde: Back last year some time, one of the things brought to the Boards attention was a planned event up there for Ducks Unlimited, can you talk about what was involved and how that came about.

Dick: I'm a Ducks Unlimited member with the Concord Chapter, I volunteer a lot of time with them and we did an extension event off the Concord Chapter, an unofficial more than official DU event. We turned back \$3,500 to the DU.

Clyde: In terms of the people that live in the area up there, how did you reach out to them about the event, or did you.

Dick: I guess I don't understand.

Clyde: There was an event up there and I didn't know if you took any action to reach out to them and say we are going to be doing this thing.

Dick: I've been through how many meetings with you people on posting signs, having police inspections, fire inspection. This is only the tenth time we've been down this road and every time you put stipulations. I sign the place, I put signs at the end of the road. They keep getting stolen on the day of the shoot. I've done everything you people have asked.

Jim: Just to let you know, I had a discussion with Chief Chandler this morning and he confirms you have been compliant with his request to put up appropriate signage when your having a shoot to let people who may be using the Class VI road that's near by aware that your having an event. As you know the Director of Public Works will post Class VI roads at this point basically saying they are off limits until mud season is over.

Dick: That road isn't going to be posted because Chuck maintains it.

Jim: That brings up another issue that's kind of on the side that is

Dick: I had this discussion with Timmy, I was going to open the road up for a shoot back in December and I had to go to him for permission to plow the road and he said you don't need to be here because the road isn't posted this year.

Jim: Ok, that's a little different from what he told me. There is a policy where Class VI roads, if your going to do any type of plowing, excavation etc. any type of what you may refer as improvement on Class VI roads, you need to get Board approval or permission before moving forward with that.

Dick: One of the meetings we had this was discussed, Allan Brown was on the Board and he made it very clear it's not Board of Selectmen approval, it's the Road Agent approval.

Jim: It can be either.

Dick: Right, I've been going to Timmy anytime I want to do anything to the road.

Jim: Tim definitely mentioned that you invested some time, effort and money to keep the road open. And as long as you keep going to Tim and he's fine with what your doing, your meeting your obligation. When you say you run your dogs up there, can you explain that a little bit?

Dick: I train bird dogs. One of the things I have to have, discussing with Fish & Game this year because they are changing the way they are doing things. I try to make sure that I'm above and beyond because I have a reputation, I like to keep things extremely clean. I have clients and I don't want to have an issue with a client dog with Fish & Game so I really, I'm one of the 4 people that comply in this state out of 200. I have to pay Fish & Game to use Chuck's land. (Dick showed something to the Board, not identified).

Jim: At what point in the training cycle for a puppy you start acclimating them to the sounds of guns going off and such.

Dick: I start at 4 weeks old.

John: (showed Dick an ad from a magazine from 2016 that shows a cost).

Dick: That's what the Ducks charge, basically I get the cost for the (not audible), the food, I do everything (too much background noise).

John: Is it a donation or a required fee.

Dick: I don't know how to answer that, they post a fee and the money goes to the Ducks.

Jim: Where do the Ducks spend it.

Dick: They are the largest conservation group in the world.

D. Clyde asked for comments from Michael Amaral: Michael said he would like Jason (last name unclear) to speak first and then Michael will follow-up. Jason is representing Michael, his wife and someone else, the name were not audible.

- E. Jason said most of what he will be saying is included in the letter that was sent to the Selectmen. He wanted to draw attention to what has been heard of people being charged to shoot a round of skeet. There have been events detailed in the letter that don't appear to be donation days and he even charges non-shooters. Jason said he provided 4 flyers for events. Back in 2010 Mr. Fisher's attorney said he doesn't have a formal course therefore it's not subject to Warner's regulations. Jason said some of the flyers talk about how he has a great course with challenging shots. Jason said there is no doubt this activity is subject to the zoning ordinance and other land use regulations. Jason also said that it is important to his clients that Gould Road is not plowed in the winter, they use it for winter activities. They are asking for the permission to plow be rescinded in the future and the mud season strictly enforced.
- F. Michael Amaral is before the Selectmen with his wife Lori Terwilliger, his neighbors Bob and Katherine Humphrey and their friend and attorney Jason. He regrets that this issue is taking more of this Board's time and Jim's time. A skeet shooting conflict is a land use disagreement. We mean no ill will to either Chuck or Joyce Rose, we mean no disrespect to the Board or Mr. Fisher. Michael empathized this is not a personal dispute. He said he moved into his house on Waldron Hill in 1989, Bob Humphrey has been in his house even longer. We did not move in next to a skeet shooting course, it just recently moved in next to us. It was pointed out in a letter to the Board the shooting on the Rose parcel on Waldron Hill is very different from ordinary backyard shooting. Michael said his home, like others, is a single largest investment, the skeet shooting not only diminishes their enjoyment of their property, they also feel the skeet shooting effects their resale value.

Michael said Dick's statement of no lease conflicts with his statement he made to the Board of Selectmen a year ago. In meeting minutes Dick said he leased the property from Mr. Rose. Michael said when he first moved to Warner he ran his sled dogs on Gould Road, now it's not possible. Mr. Fisher and Mr. Rose say the shooting is purely recreational. Why would the town give preference for a new recreational use over the traditional winter uses that have been occurring on Gould Road for the past 25 years. Michael doesn't understand why the plowing of the Class VI road is allowed. The shooting is disruptive to the neighborhood, it took him 30 minutes to get 28 signatures on a petition from neighbors to bring this before the Board. We are not the only ones who think the shooting is disruptive. Michael said every shot gun shell contains an ounce of lead, and every box of shells contains 1.6 pounds of lead, every round of skeet shooting deposits 6 pounds of lead. This lead is effecting the wildlife and ground water. Michael doesn't understand how the Rose's can allow this contamination on their property.

John said he received a phone call from Mike Bux who operates the Blueberry Farm on Waldron Hill, he supports Dick's undertakings and that he wanted to make sure that was on the record. John said he asked Mr. Bux if he shoots there and he said he does and he said he is charged when he does, but he believes Dick does it to off-set the costs. Dick said he too received a message from Mike Bux as well. Dick said he recommends shooting with non-toxic shot.

Michael noted that Mike Bux is a great guy but he doesn't own the land he farms, it's owned by Jan Gugliotti who also signed his petition. A couple of years ago he picked up some unspent shells which are full of lead.

- G. Clyde opened the meeting up to public comments or questions.

Robert Humphrey: I have built hiking trails up there with signage and blazes for people to use to hike on. Before the skeet shooting we use to have people come up and hike all the time and enjoy the property. Now no one comes anymore. I often run Appalachian Mountain Club workshops from my house where I teach map and compass and leadership. When the shooting is going on I can't take people up Gould Road. Kimberley asked Robert if he is provided with advance notice of the shootings so he can schedule around. Robert said no. Kimberley asked if advance notice would make his life easier and Robert said of course.

Charlie Albano: I have lived in Warner since 1974 and the reason he moved here is because he likes a quite town and the woods and the Minks. My concern is I hike a lot up in the Minks and more than one occasion I thought I was in a war zone. I was hiking off of Loud Lane up in that direction and I had to stop and think about where I was because there was nonstop shooting. That's my concern, that's why I'm here today.

Alice Chamberlin: The last time I was in the Minks there was shooting going on and I haven't been back since. I also like to say that I really have concerns about that neighborhood, we can hear the shooting where I live down town

from the Fish & Game Club. And know if I was in closer proximity to shooting that was happening on a regular basis, I would be very upset and complaining more about this issue so I think the town really needs to look at the incremental noise that is creeping into the quite enjoyment of the town.

Peter Letterman: I'm not a long term resident of Warner. I moved to Warner about a year and a half ago and have enjoyed it thoroughly. I'm a tenant down at Tom Pond, I've been looking for a piece of land and admired the Minks. I will tell you I'm far less interested in that area based upon what seems to me what sounds like a commercial activity. It's repeated, there are charges, it is not just invitees, these are people coming on a regular basis and paying. Doesn't every business charge people to cover their costs? The fact that your covering your costs doesn't mean it's not a business. I'm very concerned and I would not be interested at the present time at acquiring a piece of land up there to build. I would expect that it would deflate the value of a lot of neighbors in that area.

Beth Titus: The noise is very disruptive. I have walked up there in the past and there have been times I was scared yelling "I'm here" because of all the shooting. I fear we will also have lead contamination 10 – 15 years from now.

Susan Von Ottengen: I lived in Warner since 1988 my husband and I have walked the Minks since we moved here. I have to ask the Selectmen, the Class VI road decision to allow a private citizen to take a town road and manipulate and manage it, what are the criteria that the Selectmen or the town road agent uses to allow that road to be managed, and to what level is it being managed. Lead is also an issue, I worked with other sites where lead has been an issue and we've seen the effects on the wildlife and the water.

Clyde: I don't think the Road Agent can necessarily direct the improvement of a Class VI road because the town is not allowed to improve a Class VI road under statute. In terms of maintenance, I think the Road Agent does have some authority. As a Selectman I have interjected myself into those decisions.

Kimberley: I know the ATV club helps maintain certain Class VI roads and that was on a trial bases. They did a good job, it continued. I was walking Gould Road today, even though it's mud season someone's been plowing it and driving on it during mud season which surprised me. I thought that was not allowed, period, end of statement.

Dick: That's not correct, you have a number of houses on Class VI roads that they maintain them for their driveways.

Kimberley: I went to the part where there's a sign that says your not allowed to continue.

Michael Amaral: Mr. Fisher has been claiming that everything is safe up there and about a year and a half ago, Lori and I were returning from a hike to Cunningham Pond and the shooting started and we were walking on Gould Road and pellets rained down on us and we yelled and they stopped until we got home. It was after I complained to the Police Department about that incident that the signs went up. I wanted to correct the impression that Mr. Fisher was doing everything to make that as safe as possible, he was only responding to public comments that the condition was unsafe. The signs went up in August. We have a Fish & Game shooting range here in town. Google Earth is an amazing tool, if you focus in on the Fish & Game Club and put a measuring mark out about 1,600 feet and make a circle you can count the number of residents which is 7, you do the same thing from the summit of Waldron Hill Road I come up with 9. Michael then spoke about the Master Plan that states the town should use zoning to protect the natural resources.

Dick: I'd like to ask Mr. Humphrey a question. Do you have a business permit on your house? You are charging people for the map courses.

Mr. Humphrey: The courses are free. I volunteer for the Appalachian Mountain Club.

Martha Mical: Most land is private property and a lot of people think it's open to everyone and I would just like to remind people that they should be asking property owners to go one their land. Yes, some of it is in recreational current-use which allows the general public to walk on it. But, an awful lot of it is not and everybody seems to think that an open space is for everybody's use and it really is private property and you should respect that.

Tim Wallace from River Edge Forestry: I want to make a clarification for Ms. Edelman on the road usage. It is closed to the general public, however, a landowner has the right to access their property at any time of the year, it cannot be closed to them. Mud season posting doesn't effect the Rose's specifically for that property, it might effect Mr. Fisher but it doesn't effect the Rose's or their agent to get to their property, and that's in the RSA's.

Jim: I want to mention 2 letters the Selectman's office received as part of this record. One came from Richard Grecco who lives in Albany NH and Contoocook NH. The letter basically states he is a participant of some of the

shootings and he generally feels it is not a business but essentially Mr. Fisher collects money to off-set the cost of running the programs. Another letter was received by Andrew Duncan:

To the Town of Warner
Via Michael Amaral

Silence. It is a precious commodity, and something I really appreciate about the Mink Hills of Warner. My name is Andy Duncan, and I am the land owner - steward of the Badger land (parcel 5-8) that abuts parcel 9-44 for a considerable length.

The Badger land is in conservation easement with the Society for the Protection of NH Forests, and with the Town of Warner. This is a land that is wild, and will stay wild, for the benefit of humans and other species. The Badger land conservation easement allows for non-commercial activities, non-motorized recreation, and low impact hunting.

I recognize the property rights of other landowners in the Mink Hills. But I also recognize the special rural character of the Minks that is codified in R-3 and OR-1 zoning, and recognized in the Town of Warner's Mink Hills Conservation Plan, and other publications. As such, commercial activities are and should be limited.

I am not particularly familiar with the skeet shooting activities on parcel 9-44. From what I gather, these sound like commercial activities, and I am surprised they are allowed to continue. The collateral impacts of noise and lead pellets in the soil are additional considerations.

I was also surprised to see that the Class VI portion of Gould Road was plowed this winter. I, like other winter recreationists, like to use un-plowed Class VI roads for skiing. That was impossible with a plowed road.

Thank you for your consideration. And thank you for the beauty and the silence of Warner's Mink Hills.

Regards,
Andy Duncan

Lori Terwilliger: The Class VI is open to everybody, it's a public road for public uses, hiking, snowshoeing, skiing, all these activities can take place at the same time together but shooting is an activity that actually excludes people psychologically, it's not written that it does exclude, but, realistically you don't want to be walking, hiking, skiing when shooting is underway. In the Master Plan the Mink Hills is a priority for conservation. To me shooting is not compatible with the use in this particular area.

Kimberley: If the shooting was moved away from the road would that be more satisfactory?

Lori Terwilliger: It's just knowing there is shooting going on, the signs are there, but your always wondering how far a shot can go.

Kimberley: A shot can only travel a certain distance, so if everything was moved further away from a Class VI road would it be more satisfactory.

Lori Terwilliger: It depends on where it was moved to and if it then was falling on the conservation area.

Dick Fisher: I want to make a clarification on Class VI roads as far as NH Fish & Game is concerned. A Class VI road has no designation what so ever as far as shooting.

David Hartman (past Selectman): I remember going through this in dealing with Mr. Fisher's shooting range at his property. I would suggest that the focus of your decision ought to be directed more at, is this being run as a business at any level. Is it allowed in the Zoning Ordinance to have that as a business on that property. That is why we wrote a cease & desist order against Mr. Fisher several years ago at his property. My personal experience of walking on Mr. Rose's property, which I love, if the zoning is able to be bent to the point of allowing a business to take place on this property then I would have to think the Zoning Ordinance has to be looked at and rethink what is allowed on a property.

Mike Amaral: Fish & Game regulates how close you can be to a road or a house when (not audible) and Class VI roads are invisible to Fish & Games hunting codes, they don't really have codes for target shooting. Target shooting and hunting are not the same.

Clyde: I was also on the Board in 2010 with David Hartman and at that point we determined there was some sort of a business operation going on at Mr. Fisher's land. There are two things raised here tonight from my perspective, one was being a good neighbor, unfortunately that's not the issue we are considering tonight. The issue is one of

zoning and if there's a business operation taking place up there, the question is should Mr. Fisher then apply for a permit to conduct business on land up there. The question that I would ask for the Board here to consider is did Mr. Fisher take the operation he was doing on his own property and just move it to a different operation. Clyde closed the topic at this time to be taken up at another time.

2. Second Part of the Selectman's Meeting

In attendance: Selectman Clyde Carson - Chairman, Selectman John Dabuliewicz, Selectman Kimberley Edelman, Jim Bingham – Town Administrator

Others present: Stephen Hall, John France, Gerry Courser, Alli Mock, Ed Raymond, Tim Wallace, Martha Mical, Barbara Annis, Ed Mical, Anthony Mento, Judy Newman-Rogers, Gerry Marsh, Rick Davies

3. Chandler Reservation Committee

- A. Chandler Committee members Stephen Hall, John France, Gerry Courser and Alli Mock met with the Selectmen to express their intentions to the Board about purchasing an ATV from Knoxland Equipment for the Fire Department. Stephen explained that some money will be drawn from the Chandler Reservation Savings Account. Fire Chief Ed Raymond, said through two generous donations a 20' enclosed trailer will be purchased for the vehicle. At his time the trailer is sitting at Ed's house.
- B. Stephen asked what the process is. Clyde said the Board would accept the ATV and trailer as a gift on behalf of the Fire Department.
- C. Jim asked the Committee if there are any restrictions on the account. Martha Mical believes there are no restrictions on the Chandler Reservation Funds, they can spend any way they want. They have donated money for fire equipment before. She said there is restrictions on the money that comes from the town forest which is a different account. Alli said he has been on the Committee for 40 years and we always donated to the Fire Department because it helps all the townspeople.

Board Action

Chairman Carson moved to support the efforts of the Chandler Reservation Committee to make an ATV donation to the Fire Department and will return to the Board when ready as long as the account funding the project can be used for this purpose. Selectman Dabuliewicz seconded the motion, motion passed 3-0.

- D. Stephen said there is a 40 acre parcel on Howe Lane owned by Richard Cutting and family. The family is thinking of donating in some way. The property abuts the forest. The Committee will contact the Board when the donation takes place.

4. Emergency Management

- A. Ed Mical, Emergency Management Director, reported the grant application for the Emergency Operation Center equipment has been forwarded. Part of the grant agreement is the town would match with in-kind funds, or in-kind commitment. The training last fall will be used as part of the in-kind. Currently the Emergency Operation Plan is being updated, this is an annual review and will be included with the in-kind match. The table top exercise scheduled for this year will also go towards the grant match.
- B. Ed said he sent an email to the Board from the state regarding the fire station site, to go for FEMA and historical, environmental review of the site. The response talks about how you can't disturb the property in any way except for the test boring. Ed would like to move forward and submit the application to Historic Preservation on the town's behalf. Ed will keep the Board updated on the progress. Anthony Mento said on behalf of the new fire station project, Ed's effort is excellent because he is keeping the Fire Station Building Review Committee aware of the steps that are need to be involved.

5. Project Review

- A. The Town Administrator created an updated project list for the Board to review.
- B. Odd Fellows Building - status on land conveyance and deeds: Clyde explained the Board is still working with the proposed developer. The Board is also meeting with the Assessor this coming Thursday to conduct a walk-through of the building. The deeds from the property transfer between the School District and the town have been recorded. 2 public hearings will need to be scheduled for the parking area donated by Ron & Deb Moore, and for the easement at the fire station site.

- C. Fire Department - update on new fire station activity: Kimberley reported that the current fire station has been modified to fit the loaner engine. She said one of the main reasons to promote the new fire station was new equipment can't fit in the current fire station unless they are custom built. Jim said the reason they did that is because they are getting a loaner that is a standard size. The Fire Department thought about it and determined they could alter one bay by pushing a wall back and eliminating the downstairs bathroom so they could house the loaner. This is a band-aid solution to an unanticipated problem.

Martha Mical said she has gone through the Fire Station after the space was altered, she said there isn't an inch on either side of the vehicle to spare, experts will need to back it into the station. Kimberley said she will take some photo's.

John asked if the administration was approached by this change because this is the first time he has heard of it. Jim said the Chief told him that's what they were considering. John felt the Board should have been aware of the situation before the space was altered.

Kimberley said the Fire Station Building Committee has not met since Town Meeting. Anthony Mento said his team has been discussing what the next step will be. He is planning to meet with the geotechnical engineer next Monday to work out the agreement and then he will meet with Jim and then with the Board. At this time the FSBRC doesn't need to do anything. John asked if Allan Brown has agreed to remain on the Committee. Anthony said not yet, he's hoping Allan will realize that he misses the Committee. He said the last time the Committee met they discussed a site sign that would be printed and established on the property. The last email from Allan he recommended the town continue their focus on relocating the house.

Martha Mical said what bothers her is the town has Anthony's firm creating a design and the town has not secured the easement. Jim explained that he is handling it, he is waiting for both owners to sign the easement.

Kimberley said she spoke to an abutter to the new fire station site that is interested in the apple trees if the town chooses not to replant them. Judy said there have been others that have expressed an interest in the plantings as well. Anthony said there is a cost associated with removing and replanting and he would support an organization in town that showed such an interest.

- D. Solar Panel Array - status of construction: Clyde reported preparation for clearing the land is underway. In a few days Rural Development will be reviewing the submitted grant application for additional funds. The property was researched by US Fish & Game for long eared bats, none were found, now the property needs to be determined if long eared bats will use the property in the future. Once this is determined favorably, the grant will be approved and the trees will be removed.

6. Other Business

- A. Clyde reported the Currier & Ives Byway is being extended through downtown and up Kearsarge Mt. Rd. terminating at Rollins State Park. A public hearing will be scheduled for June 20. Martha Mical asked if the Scenic Byway brings restrictions like a Scenic Highway does? Clyde said no, it brings signs, and is placed on the state tourist maps.

Barbara Annis said her concerns is the parking in downtown is getting worse and worse, especially Thursday evening, until something is done about parking why add to it. Clyde doesn't feel this is going to be a huge impact. Gerry Marsh asked if it benefits the businesses by saying we are on the Currier & Ives Byway. Clyde said absolutely, he has approached the businesses in downtown who also feel it's a benefit.

- B. John reported the Economic Development Committee is ready to present their report in April.
- C. Clyde reported the Simonds School project in terms of designating the black berry as the state berry is moving forward. It passed the House on a voice vote, and the Senate Committee will hear it tomorrow, the students will be present as well.

- D. Kimberley said during the Candidate's Night one of the questions that came up directed to the Selectmen was what can we do to improve communications with the public coming out of the Town Hall. One of the suggestions was televise or record all meetings.
- E. At a future meeting the Board will discuss shared services which has been suggested by the Town of Bradford.

7. Chairman of the Board

Selectman Carson nominated Selectman Dabuliewicz as the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen. Selectman Edelman seconded the motion, motion passed 3-0.

8. Annual Appointment to Boards/Committee's/Commissions

Selectman Edelman moved to reappoint Tom Baye as Building Inspector until 2020. Selectman Carson seconded the motion, motion passed 3-0.

Selectman Carson moved for all those who wished to be reappointed be reappointed to the terms noted on the sheet.

Appointee	Expiring Term	Member Declined to be Reappointed	Member Wishes to be Reappointed	Term
Building Inspector				
Tom Baye	2017		YES	2020
Central NH Regional Planning Commission				
Jonathan Lord	2017	YES		Vacant
Conservation Commission				
Nancy Martin	2017		YES	2020
Rob Nute	2019			2019
Conservation Commission Alternate				
Phil Stockwell	2017		YES	2020
Scott Warren	2019			2019
Parks & Recreation				
Tim Blagden	2017		YES	2019
Ronnie Bryson	2017		YES	2019
Planning Board				
Ben Frost	2017		YES	2020
Barbara Annis	2017		YES	2020
Planning Board Alternate				
Darryl Parker	2017	YES		Vacant
Zoning Board				
Janice Loz	2017		YES	2020
Andrew Bodnarik	2017	YES		Vacant
J. Gorden Nolen	2017		YES	2018
Zoning Board Alt.				
Corey Giroux	2017		YES	2020
Deputy Tax Collector				
Janice Cutting	2017		YES	2020

Chairman Dabuliewicz seconded the motion. John noted Rob Nute will now be a voting member on the Conservation Commission and Scott Warren will be an alternate, both have agreed to the switch. Clyde also noted there are terms that have expired that are not on here, one being the Economic Develop Advisory Committee and the Energy Committee. Chairman Dabuliewicz called for a vote, all were in favor, motion passed 3-0.

9. Selectman's Representatives

Kimberley – Budget Committee
John – Planning Board
Clyde – Planning Board Alternate
Clyde – Energy Committee
John – Nancy Sibley Wilkins
Clyde – Parks & Recreation
Kimberley – Highway Safety Committee
Kimberley – Fire Station Building Review Committee
Clyde – Solar Array
Board of Selectmen– Odd Fellows Building

10. Unassigned Fund Balance Funds Transferred to Trustees of Trust Funds

A. The Town Clerk presented to the Board and Treasurer a certified copy of any vote to transfer surplus to capital reserves within 10 days of such vote (Town Meeting).

Board Action

Selectman Carson moved to authorize the transfer of funds from the general to the Trustee's of the Trust Funds deposited into the capital reserve funds for:

Warrant Article 10 - \$82,000 from unassigned fund balance to be deposited into the New Fire Station Construction Capital Reserve Fund

Warrant Article 19 - \$10,000 from unassigned fund balance to be deposited into the Transfer Station Equipment Capital Reserve Fund.

Selectman Edelmann seconded the motion, motion passed 3-0.

11. Town Administrator's Report

Old Graded School: The Merrimack Belknap Community Action (CAP) Program has repainted the preschool classroom and installing new flooring. The Cap offices have begun moving into the room as the renovations are complete. The food pantry inventory and operations move to the ground floor near the preschool room last month. This change of office space will make it easier for CAP program to meet with clients and run the food pantry. A tour of the new office and food pantry location by the Board members will be scheduled for next week.

Odd Fellows Building: Dave Marazoff, the assessor for the Town will be conducting a re-assessment of the OFB on Thursday. It has been nearly 12 years since the building has been inspected by an assessor. The current assessment is about \$164K.

Pillsbury Free Library: Tracey Hallenborg, the Bookkeeper, and I met with Library Director Nancy Ladd and Ralph Parson, the new Treasurer for the Library Trustees, to review the current system of allocation to the PFL by the town. Some alternative payment schedules were suggested, which Ralph thought was more satisfactory for the Library bookkeeper and the Town bookkeeper. Ralph and Nancy will present them to the trustees at their next meeting.

TDS: I met with Bill Hyde, sales representative for TDS last Thursday to discuss plans to install fiber optic cable service to the town facilities, beginning with the Town Hall. Dan Watts, could not make this meeting but is consulting with the Selectmen's office and in contact with TDS regarding this transition. The Board would like to meet with Bill as well.

Town Hall: Fire Chief Ed Raymond, Facilities Supervisor, Mel Furbush and a representative from the NH Fire Marshal's Office toured the town hall last week reviewing fire and safety issues raised by the Primex risk manager during an inspection in November, 2016. Chief Raymond is expecting a findings and recommendation report from the State Fire Marshall's Office shortly. The report from this inspection will be a guideline in addressing these safety issues in the coming months. We have confirmation that the stage curtains and backdrop are fire retardant, which was a concern raised by the risk manager.

12. Manifest

Selectman Edelmann to authorize the Selectmen to sign manifests and order the Treasurer to sign Payroll check numbers 4682-4700 in the amount of \$37,126.66 (including 21 direct deposits) and Accounts Payable check numbers 53532-53580 in the amount of \$557,483.79 (includes a check to KRSD in the amount of \$325,000.00). Selectman Carson seconded the motion, motion passed 3-0.

13. Consent Agenda

Selectman Carson moved to approve the Consent Agenda for March 28, 2017:

1. Veterans' Tax Credit for:

Map 13 Lot 28	Map 32 Lot 25
Map 7 Lot 63	Map 10 Lot 71
Map 20 Lot 13	Map 31 Lot 050
Map 10 Lot 19-2	Map 7 Lot 36

2. Solar Exemption for:

Map 6 Lot 49-1	Map 15 Lot 37-2
Map 6 Lot 36	Map 26 Lot 13

3. Intent to Cut for: Map 14 Lot 15, Map 7 Lot 64, Map14 Lot 56

4. Building Permits for:

Map 15 Lot 37-1	Map 3 Lot 87
Map 31 Lot 58	Map 15 Lot 18-1

Selectman Edelmann seconded the motion, motion passed 3-0.

14. Nonpublic Session

Chairman Dabuliewicz moved to go into nonpublic session at 9:16 pm under RSA 91-A:3 II (a) personnel matter. Selectman Carson seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken: Selectman Carson – yes, Selectman Edelmann – yes, Selectman Dabuliewicz – yes.

Present: Selectman Clyde Carson – Chairman, Selectman Kimberley Edelmann, Selectman John Dabuliewicz and Town Administrator Jim Bingham

Chairman Dabuliewicz moved to come out of nonpublic session at 9:55 pm. Selectman Carson seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken: Selectman Dabuliewicz – yes, Selectman Edelmann – yes, Selectman Carson – yes.

15. Seal and Restrict

Selectman Carson moved to seal the March 28 nonpublic minutes permanently under RSA 91-A:3 II (a) personnel matter. Selectman Edelmann seconded the motion. All were in favor the motion passed 3-0.

16. Adjournment

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn at 9:55 pm.

Board of Selectmen
John Dabuliewicz
Clyde Carson
Kimberley Edelmann

Recorder of the minutes: Mary Whale