



Warner Board of Selectmen

Meeting Minutes Tuesday, September 5, 2017 APPROVED

Chairman Dabuliewicz opened the meeting at 7:00 pm

Attendance: Selectman John Dabuliewicz – Chairman, Selectman Kimberley Edelmann, Selectman Clyde Carson

Excused: Town Administrator – Jim Bingham

Others present: Tim Allen, Barbara Annis, Varick Proper, Martha Mical

1. Public Hearing

- A. John opened the public hearing under RSA 31:95 B-3A, to take public comment on accepting more than \$10,000 in additional highway funds from the State of NH. These funds in the amount of \$111,248.88 are distributed under RSA 235:23-I. The Board of Selectmen intends to accept and expend the funds in accordance with 2017 Senate Bill 38 to be used exclusively for highway purposes, and for non-budgeted projects.
- B. Public Works Director, Tim Allen, explained the money will be used for paving a portion of Schoodac Road. Tim said the price for hot top is lower than in past years and he would like to take advantage of that and go as far as he can with an overlay from the Webster town line up to Courser's sugar house for this year. Tim said \$20K of the money will be used for extra gravel for the dirt roads.
- C. Public Comments:
Barbara Annis: What basis did you to choose Schoodac Road over Pumpkin Hill Road.
Tim Allen: That needs complete construction. The Pumpkin Hill project is in the CIP for next year.
Martha Mical: How much does the hot top cost.
Tim Allen: Pike Industry will put it down for \$62.00 per ton.
John Dabuliewicz: What did you pay for Waldron Hill.
Tim Allen: \$64.50, and if I send a truck to Newport to buy the hot top it will cost us \$71.00. Pike is putting the hot top down for \$10.00 less than what we can buy it for. We should take advantage of the hot top as best we can. Basically, by laying out the Schoodac project the way it is it will take 3 years to complete it, this section this year and hopefully there's a small piece on the corner by the farm that needs to be reconstructed. If I can get that done next year, and then put funds together to finish it, that one will be done.
John Dabuliewicz: Any further questions from the public?
Varick Proper: How much stockpile of gravel do you have?
Tim Allen: I have 7,800 yards at the moment.
Varick Proper: With this money how much will you be able to buy?
Tim Allen: Another 3,100 yards, there about.
John Dabuliewicz: How much does it take for a mile of road.
Tim Allen: I figured if I put 6 inches of gravel on every mile of dirt road we would need 48,000 yards. I tried to base it on a ten year program, we can put 3,000 to 4,000 yards a year down. There are places in town where the gravel is only needed for winter maintenance. We just did some work on East Joppa and it's amazing how much different it is, we cleaned up the ditches and added some gravel, I think it will make a difference this winter.
Barbara Annis: I like his theory, I like the way he's aiming.
- D. John hearing no further comments closed the public hearing at 7:10 pm.

Board Action

Selectman Carson moved to accept the special allocation from the State for \$111,248.88 of unanticipated revenue, accept and expend it as proposed by the Director of Public Works. Selectman Edelmann seconded the motion, motion passed unanimously.

2. Vacant Land Use Position

- A. John said the Town Administrator intended to update the Board on what he has done so far but was unable to attend this meeting. John said he knows the Town Administrator contacted Bradford and Sutton, there's a possibility the same position in Bradford may be interested in some additional hours. An ad has been placed in the Intertown Record and will be in the Concord Monitor with a September 18 closing date.
- B. Moving forward the Town Clerk will cover the Zoning Board of Adjustment public hearing and will create the minutes and Martha Mical is covering the Planning aspect of the office and plans on attending the meeting as well; the completion of the Planning Board meeting minutes needs to be worked out, should the recorder of the minutes also be in attendance.
- C. Martha made a comment to the Board saying she would like to see the Town Clerk's office handle the Zoning Board of Adjustment and she will handle the Planning Board except for the minutes which Mary Whalen will do. John said his plan is talk about that with Jim, he had already spoken with the Town Clerk who is fine with the arrangement and will be talking to the Chairs of both Planning and Zoning.
- D. Barbara Annis talked about the job description. For a number of years it was strictly the Planning Board Secretary answered and took directions from the Chairman of Planning and Zoning. And then it became strictly the Town Administrator, so that I as Chairman would give the secretary a request, and the secretary would say that she has to ask the Town Administrator and it caused an awful lot of anxiety and stress. The current job description says under the direction of the Chairman, but under the supervision of the Town Administrator. Barbara said be careful with that. John said to Barbara that Ben does not agree with her, but the Board will be talking about it later.

3. Contribution of Tree Trimming

- A. John said he and Clyde had a discussion about George Pellettieri's contribution of tree trimming and asked Clyde to talk to George about the involvement of the Town Hall Lawn Committee. Clyde said George sent an email to the Town Hall Lawn Committee reiterating his offer to trim the trees. **Clyde said once there is clarification on the crimson king because it is owned by Kearsarge Insurance, the pine tree and the crab apple tree he will contact George and set up a time for the trimming.** John asked about the trees in front of the Pharmacy. Clyde said they need trimming and feels there will be no objection. Tim asked what will be needed from him. Clyde said as this point he was not sure the Public Works Department will be needed. **Tim said George made a comment in his email that he would need a truck and some help to clean up. Clyde said he will clarify that.**
- B. John said the Board is very grateful to Pellettieri & Associates for this donation.
- C. Martha said she is very opposed to removing the crab apple tree. It shades the office in the summer and it's a nice looking tree and feeds the birds. Clyde said the Committee doesn't want that tree removed.
- D. Someone, not identified, asked why will the balsam come down. Clyde said it's too big to decorate, and as it gets larger it will start hugging the building.

4. Adjournment

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn at 7:25 pm.

Board of Selectmen
John Dabuliewicz – Chairman
Clyde Carson
Kimberley Edelmann

Recorder of the minutes: Mary Whalen