

**TOWN OF LEMPSTER
BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

Approved Minutes
August 27, 2019

PRESENT: Chairman Phil Tirrell, Selectman Mary Grenier, Selectman Everett Thurber, and Barbara Richards, Clerical Assistant

OTHERS PRESENT: Fire Chief Jon Thomas, David Richards, Alvin McNeill

Chairman Tirrell called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM

Agenda Item 1: Payroll and Accounts Payable

The Selectmen reviewed and approved the payroll and accounts payable manifest.

**Agenda Item 2: Minutes of Past Meetings
Selectmen's Meeting August 13, 2019**

The Selectmen reviewed the draft minutes of the Selectmen's Meeting held on August 13, 2019. Selectman Thurber made a motion to accept the minutes of the Selectmen's Meeting of August 13, 2019 as presented. Selectman Grenier seconded the motion. Motion passed

Agenda Item 3: Old Business

Richardson Brook Dry Hydrant – Chairman Tirrell met with Mr. Peabody on the site where he flagged the easement. Chairman Tirrell gave the approval to pin and proceed with the easement.

Long Pond Turn-around - Chairman Tirrell waiting for a decision.

Mountain Road Retaining Wall - Daniels said they would be able to start Sept. 9 or 16. Would be done by end of October. Mountain Road will be closed and will post as soon as we have confirmed dates.

Town Properties – Discussion of clean-up of 49-55 Charlestown Tpke. and 902 Route 10.

Selectman Grenier made a motion to remove the two buildings on the Charlestown Tpke. site. Selectman Thurber seconded the motion. Motion passed. Selectman Thurber will follow up with the quote we received and with the realtor.

Selectman Grenier made a motion to accept the quote to remove the building and fence at 902 Route 10. Selectman Thurber seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Agenda Item 4: New Business

Fire and Rescue Department Report

Chief Thomas submitted a written report (see attached). Town office will order 6 "No Parking Fire Lane" signs for the dry hydrant areas. The ladder truck is having corrosion issues addressed and upgrading the lighting.

Chairman Tirrell mentioned that the three computers previously purchased five years ago under EMPG are not working. They have gone out for evaluation. NH HSES has offered to assist in filing for an EMPG grant to procure new computers. This is a 50/50 grant. There is also EMPG funds available to upgrade the base radio to a dual head base radio. The Board supported looking into pricing.

There was no report from Rescue tonight.

Public Participation - none

Administration and Correspondence

- Rental Agreement for Meeting House
- Intent to Cut Map 227 Lot 32

NRRA said they will get us figures before next meeting for the extension of our contract which expires on Sept. 30, 2019.

Miscellaneous

Chairman Tirrell made a motion to appoint the following to the Conservation Commission: Wesley Ash term expiring 3/15/2020, Lori Earthrowl term expiring 3/15/2021, Ivan Wallace term expiring 3/15/2021. Motion seconded by Mary Grenier. Motion passed.

Camp Kirkham Boy Scout Troop donated duck nesting boxes. Anyone with a location to put them should see Chairman Tirrell. Selectman Grenier said James Beard is working with Ruth Ward to have a Governor's proclamation for the troops 50 years of camping for next Old Home Day.

Selectman Thurber has located hemlock trees on town property for the dock at the Long Pond boat ramp. Chairman Tirrell will get information for what size is needed and Selectman Thurber will contact someone to cut and haul. Will want to remove additional boards from the dam to allow for repairs.

Agenda Item 5: Non-Public Session RSA 91-A:3, II(b) Personnel

Motion made by Selectman Grenier to go into Non-Public Session at 8:03 PM. Motion seconded by Chairman Tirrell. Board polled: Chairman Tirrell-yes; Selectman Thurber-yes; Selectman Grenier-yes. Motion passed.

Discussion of current status of Highway Dept. employees and up-coming needs.

Selectman Grenier made a motion to leave the non-public session, not seal the minutes, and return to public session at 8:25 PM. Selectman Thurber seconded the motion. All in favor.

Selectman Grenier made a motion to hire a full-time highway dept. employee. Must have CDL. Selectman Thurber seconded the motion. All in favor.

Selectman Grenier made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 PM. Selectman Thurber seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Richards
Clerical Assistant