

April 8, 2019

7:00 PM Public Meeting

PRESENT: Rick Griffin, Chairman
Jim Waddell, Vice-chairman
Rusty Bridle, Selectman
Mary-Louise Woolsey, Selectman
Frederick Welch, Town Manager

ABSENT: Regina Barnes, Selectman

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

I. Public Comment

Marjorie Smith, 609 Ocean Boulevard: disappointed receiving letter; property in the form of family condominium; asking for exemption to this ruling

Chairman Griffin: we are going to have a meeting discussing the condominium situation on April 22, 2019

David Schnacke, 71B Esker Road: owner Ethel Doherty; read letter; spoke with Kristina; condominium; duplex; getting garbage collected over several years; misunderstanding of condominium by-laws; obliged come July 1st to pay for trash pick-up; town misinterpreted the by-laws; common area; highlighted in letter; owner shall pay for water, sewer, garbage collection, snow removal, lawn care, electrical, telephone and gas and other necessary utility service for the common area; someone needs to finance the garbage collection for our unit; saying unit will be covered by town and common area by me.

Peter Tilton, 125 Landing Road: had current carts for 7-8 years; not a wind friendly program; keeps tipping over; lid opens

II. Announcements and Community Calendar

Selectman Waddell: Cable Committee; results from survey in; will be planning a public meeting

Selectman Bridle: meeting next week on April 15th; heard from a lot of people looking at ways to reduce; encouraging

III. Approval of Minutes

1. March 25, 2019

Selectman Waddell MOTIONED to APPROVE the Minutes of March 25, 2019 SECONDED by Selectman Bridle.

VOTE: 3-0-1(Griffin)

2. April 1, 2019 Non-public Session

Selectman Bridle: correction to be added to the non-public session minutes; halfway through the non-public meeting a motion to adjourn was made and dually seconded and no action was taken.

Selectman Bridle MOTIONED to APPROVE the Minutes of April 1, 2019 Non-public Session SECONDED by Selectman Waddell.

VOTE: 3-0-1(Griffin)

IV. Consent Agenda

1. Conservation Appointments: Shaw, Swank, Tilton and Curro

Selectman Bridle MOVED to APPROVE the Consent Agenda. SECONDED by Selectman Waddell.

VOTE: 4-0-0

V. Appointments

1. Rene' Boudreau, Director Recreation and Parks

a. Quarterly update

b. Purchasing Policy Waivers § 718-3 & § 718-5.1 Tree work at Tuck Field

Director Boudreau: annual Easter Egg Dig Saturday; beach clean-up after event; fence project at Eaton Park; Kids Kingdom Project on hold; May 11th Annual Fishing Derby, registration starting Monday, free, at Batchelder Park; work at rotary park across from Library, safety hazard; working with UNH on "needs" assessment. Purchasing policy waiver; two estimates.

Selectman Woolsey: tree work? Director Boudreau: perimeter from the toddler park; all the way over to Eaton Park; trees hanging over fields; mostly trimming; some need to be cut down.

Selectman Waddell: good on beach clean-up; coordinated with Rotary on getting equipment.

Director Boudreau: thank Hampton Rotary for upgrading prizes.

Selectman Bridle: were the trees in the budget? Director Boudreau: in a warrant article that passed.

Chairman Griffin: Pig Roast; no problem accessing the area at that time.

Selectman Bridle MOTIONED to APPROVE the Purchasing Policy Waivers § 718-3 & § 718-5.1 for tree work at Tuck Field with a bid of \$18,400 for Urban Tree SECONDED by Selectman Woolsey.

VOTE: 4-0-0

Carl McMorran, John Herlihy and Mark Fois, Aquarian Water Company

a. Quarterly update

Mr. McMorran: PFAS update; projects.

Mr. Herlihy: PFAS; shows graph; monitoring for PFAS compounds; minimize usage of Well 6; low PFAS levels compared to the proposed maximum contaminant levels; no PFNA; levels could possible change.

Selectman Woolsey: Well 6 on-line. Mr. Herlihy: it is off line 9 months of the year; only on in the summer.

Selectman Woolsey: is Well 22 on; levels; contamination? Mr. McMorran: will get to that; permits pending; nothing in the way of salinity; few trace levels of PFAS, which you find everywhere.

Selectman Waddell: you are staying ahead of it; proactive; staying up with science; drinking water is well within the safety zone; on top of the situation, which is good. Mr. McMorran: regulations; drive need to remove PFAS; low levels; pilot program; removal filtration; granular activated carbon; ion exchange (absorb PFAS/replace with other ions); carbon based resin; will be expense if going with treatment; being prepared. Working on treatment upgrades; Wells 7 & 22; get permit in; Route 101 main replacement project bids; summer project; off side of road; not significant impact on traffic; project Gentian, Meadow Pond, Greene Street; do storm drains at same time; partner with town; new tank project.

Mr. Fois: Exeter Road/Falcone Circle tank; built in 1983; holds 750,000 gallons of water; manage storage tank maintenance program; inspect tanks; rehabilitation; painting; assess replacement of tank if too old or expensive to rehabilitate; do not have enough storage of water in the system to meet all the needs; best site to host second new water tank; once new tank is done will take old tank off line to repaint/rehab; will solicit feedback from neighbors; permit process; on next quarterly update, should have more information.

Mr. McMorran: invitation to our Environmental Champions Event, May 9 at the Victoria Inn.

Selectman Woolsey: how long for construction of new tank? Mr. Fois: 9-10 months; depending upon weather; budget for a full year; made of welded steel; come in sections; two classic ways to build tank.

Chairman Griffin: water line on Route 101; phrased if it comes in at a good price; what if it does not. Mr. McMorran: make choice to do or not; think it is unlikely it will be excessively expensive.

Selectman Bridle: doing project in the summer; effect it has on the businesses on Church Street; only way out/Highland Avenue.

VI. Town Manager's Report

1. For those property owners wishing to apply for elderly, veterans, blind or other Town exemptions as well as the Hampton Beach Precinct exemption from the entertainment portion of the Precinct Tax should remember that applications for exemptions close next Monday, April 15th at 5 PM. Please inquire of the Assessor's Office for the proper forms to make your application.
2. Work will be starting on the construction of the foundations for the new bridge to support the Route 101 Tide Mill Creek crossing for the new sewer force mains. The

bridging is expected to arrive in May for installation and completion of the force main connections to place the system in operation after testing.

3. Residents should be aware that there will be no spring pickup of leaves or branches. That was a one-year program in 2018 due to the large number of spring storms last year. Materials may be taken to the Transfer Station during operational hours.
4. Please be aware that the Transfer Station will only be open until 11 AM on Sundays.
5. Engineering work has started on the design and permitting for the replacement culverts on Park Avenue. Construction is expected to take place after the close of school for the summer.
6. Please do not place in your recycling cart any plastic bags of any kind.
7. The Tax Collector's office will be closed Wednesday April 17th for the annual spring training conference.
8. BOS will be discussing beach commercial waste on April 15th and discuss condominium waste on April 22, both in the Selectman's Room at Town Hall.
9. Received a letter from Waste Management Company 3.5% change in current rate for tonnage at Transfer Station and sludge materials out of the WWTP; effective July 1, 2019. May not be added to the default budget by statute.
10. State will begin major repairs for ADA compliance on all the sidewalks on Route 1A from Epping Avenue to Cusack and from Cusack back to Nudd Avenue.

Selectman Waddell: 3.5% increase; we are in a current contract with them. Town Manager Welch: it is in the contract; will come out of our taxpayer's money; \$70.66 per ton to \$73.07 and \$77.01 to \$79.71 per ton.

Selectman Waddell: culverts on Park Avenue. Town Manager Welch: after school; asked them to expedite.

Selectman Woolsey: waste increase; pull back on weight. Town Manager Welch: dispose at Transfer Station; or Turnkey in Rochester; pay penalty for having contaminated waste \$180 per ton; obligated by contract to take all recycling to Billerica; do not put recycling in bag, it is contamination; as long as bottles are separate and not bagged.

Selectman Woolsey: paying for the weight. Town Manager Welch: we are paying for the penalty; problem is people putting them in bags in the recycling cart; contaminates; twice a year they take samples; 5 separate samples; plastic bag full of recyclables, considered all trash; go in pile for contamination; allowed to have 5% of contamination without penalty; been averaging 25%; people putting regular trash in the recycling carts, which contaminates load that go in the truck.

Selectman Bridle: when in doubt throw it out in the garbage; can put it in paper bags; not plastic; paper is recyclable. Town Manager Welch: not recycling beach; trash.

Selectman Bridle: education.

Selectman Woolsey: recycling weight is going to go up; glass. Town Manager Welch: as long as glass is accepted in the recycling market, we are ok; they continue to take glass; getting contaminated waste mixed in with the glass; eliminate the contamination we do not pay anything.

Chairman Griffin: consideration; raising prices; commercial. Town Manager Welch: we charge by the pound; commercial vendors that come to the Transfer Station pay for all of the

waste; on average of what we pay; allowed to have 1,000 pounds per day for residential waste; all commercial waste is paid for.

Chairman Griffin: go into detail on the sidewalks. Town Manager Welch: State indicates they own them; going to comply with ADA requirements; so vision impaired people will know where they are at a point in crossing a road; do from Epping Avenue to High Street to Cusack and all the way back to Nudd Avenue.

Chairman Griffin: does that mean if there are pot holes in the middle they will fix them. Town Manager Welch: we are hoping they will fix everything; do not want to have an accident,

Chairman Griffin: took walk yesterday; sidewalks in the Boars Head area have been spray painted for gas lines, etc.

Selectman Woolsey: will putting the new sidewalks in be an impediment to clearing up the drainage.

Chairman Griffin: drainage is going to be done when they redo the roadway. Town Manager Welch: not talking about replacing the sidewalks; just talking about making them handicap accessible.

VII. Old Business

1. Selectmen Goal's

- Trash and recycling
- Default budget
- Work with State
- Crumbling infrastructure
- 2020 Budget
- Flooding
- Goals and Objectives – 3 major departments
- Communications between the boards

Selectman Woolsey: update on the Fire Department Ambulance. Town Manager Welch: have to send to special vendor; should know sometime this week; if frame is bent, will take months.

Selectman Woolsey: why can't the State reimburse us; must have insurance; tourist season coming up; short an ambulance. Town Manager Welch: it is going through formal claim process; file insurance claim; we were hit; we did not hit anybody; we have \$1,000 deductible for repairs; the rest is off their insurance company,

Selectman Woolsey: update on turnout gear. Town Manager Welch: asked fund to be set up, sent to Town trustees; asked that process be started on paperwork to start ordering; will be long process; each individually fit.

Selectman Woolsey: take advantage of the NHMA seminar on assessing; would help every board.

Chairman Griffin: how does everyone feel about that. Selectman Waddell: do not need it. Selectman Bridle: all set.

Chairman Griffin: is it possible to go there for some information. Town Manager Welch: will get the information.

Selectman Waddell: do not know if I misheard something or not; somebody said nobody cares; everybody cares about the ambulance; process that has to go through; misstatement from someone on this board.

VIII. New Business

1. Discussion of current Town Manager Contract

Chairman Griffin: will be put aside for next week.

2. Waiver of fees for future WWTP projects

Town Manager Welch: about to begin work on the WWTP; request is and I endorse the request; waive fees for building permits and electrical permits, etc. for our own WWTP.

Selectman Bridle MOTIONED to APPROVE the Waiver of fees for future WWTP projects SECONDED by Selectman Waddell.

VOTE: 4-0-0

3. Retired Ambulance Manual Stretchers to surplus for donation

Town Manager Welch: have a couple of old stretchers; do not use anymore; received request from New England Dragway to purchase them; saves us from having to trash.

Selectman Waddell MOTIONED to APPROVE the Retired Ambulance Manual Stretchers to surplus for donation SECONDED by Selectman Bridle.

VOTE: 4-0-0

4. Approval of sell back of unused vacation and sick time Police Department employee

Town Manager Welch: have an employee who is going to retire early next year; has payback request; suggest to hold until the end of the year so we know we have proper funds in the account; not pay now; pay in the fall; will need to pay; part of ordinance.

Selectman Bridle MOTIONED to APPROVE the Approval of sell back of unused vacation and sick time Police Department employee SECONDED by Selectman Waddell.

VOTE: 4-0-0

Chairman Griffin: discussion about the ballots; did not discuss was about the article about the smoking. Town Manager Welch: town passed; will be in ordinance; work with it; first time any town has done this; work in progress; need to be careful of what we do and how we do it.

Selectman Woolsey: place signage on the beaches; ask State to put signage on their beaches; ashes; air contamination.

Selectman Bridle: we do not deal with the State beach; reduced our sign budget.

Chairman Griffin: we are going to stick to the things that affect us.

Selectman Woolsey: JOP plan.

Chairman Griffin: waiting for response from our letter.

Town Manager Welch: yes; will ask PW to meet with staff at beach; think we have a proposal; sand dump directly into transfer station rather than have the dumpsters on Route 1A; smells; beneficial to them and us

IX. Adjournment

- X. At approximately 8:10 PM, on MOTION made by Selectman Woolsey, SECONDED by Vice-chairman Waddell, the Board voted unanimously by roll call (4-0) to go into a non-public session under RSA 91-A:3,II, (e)[litigation].

XI. VOTE: 4-0-0

PRESENT: Rick Griffin, Chairman
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Rusty Bridle, Selectman
Mary-Louise Woolsey, Selectman
Frederick Welch, Town Manager
Mark S. Gearreald, Town Attorney

ABSENT: Regina Barnes, Selectman

[Minutes Sealed]

At 8:18 PM, a MOTION was made by Vice Chairman Waddell, SECONDED by Selectman Bridle to leave the non-public session, which was approved unanimously (4-0).

At approximately 8:19 PM, back in Public Session, Vice Chairman Waddell moved to seal the minutes of the Non-Public Session, SECONDED by Selectman Bridle on the basis that disclosure of these minutes could jeopardize the actions to be taken and affect reputations.

This motion to seal the minutes passed unanimously (4-0) by roll call vote.

At 8:20 PM, the Selectmen adjourned the Public Session on MOTION of Vice Chairman Waddell, SECONDED by Selectman Bridle, which passed unanimously.

XII. Adjournment

Rick Griffin
Chairman

Thank you Channel 22!