

September 19, 2016

PRESENT: Rusty Bridle, Chairman
Jim Waddell, Vice-Chairman
Phil Bean, Selectman
Regina Barnes, Selectman
Frederick Welch, Town Manager
Mark Gearreald, Town Attorney

ABSENT: Rick Griffin, Selectman

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

I. Public Comment Period (2:25)

Corinne Baker: thought 230 Exeter Road Tax Abatement was going to be on agenda tonight

Chairman Bridle: it was on last week.

Corrine Baker: what did you do? Chairman Bridle: cannot do anything until he moves forward with his building permit.

Corrine Baker: how do I find out when the next hearing is? Chairman Bridle: there would be no notification.

Corrine Baker: nice to know we are keeping on top of the water issue and watching our water usage.

Lori Haas: assuming you received my email; it has not gotten better at all; have haulers coming down now, and they are not going to Foss. We have not seen a lot of police activity; Chief Sawyer was supposed to set up a meeting with Bill Cummings, Foss; spoke with Mr. Cummings and he has not heard from Chief Sawyer. The road is getting destroyed, kids cannot ride bike; speeding; Chief of Police does not seem to be doing anything; who does he report too.

Selectman Bean: the Chief has the statistics and data and he is responding; he has been active on this, which he has shared with me.

Lori Haas: I videotaped a truck and he stopped; I said you know you are not supposed to be on this road, I am going to call the police, he said go-ahead they are not going to do anything.

Chairman Bridle: that is hearsay; this is public comment time and we are not going to get into debates during this part of the conversation; we will take it under advisement.

Lori Haas: how do we get on the agenda? Chairman Bridle: contact the secretary and ask to be placed on the agenda

Resident: the trucks are going onto peoples lawns when a vehicle is coming the other way; it is getting worse by the day

II. Announcements and Community Calendar (8:07)

Selectman Waddell: I was at WHS at a sporting event and there were teams practicing and when the anthem played all of them stopped what they were doing, removed their hats/helmets and saluted the flag; very impressive and very respectful of the high school students.

Selectman Bean: great comment Jim; that is one of the greatest learning facilities in the nation; outstanding school; thanks for sharing that

III. Consent Agenda (8:55)

1. Release of Welfare Lien: RCRD Book 3445, Page 1504

Selectman Waddell MOTIONED to MOVE the Consent Agenda SECONDED by Selectman Barnes.

VOTE: 4-0-0

IV. Appointments (9:15)

1. Kristi Pulliam, Finance Director
 - a. Monthly Financials

Ms. Pulliam: Target is 66.67%; month total income \$597,818; of that total motor vehicles \$263,539 over target by \$15,539; other major contributors to the months total were interest on taxes @ \$14,029; building permits @ \$18,587; State water pollution control @ \$66,544; departmental income @ \$57,804; parking lots @ \$124,312; real eState trust @ \$42,330. The expense summary show YTD expenses by department the operating department without debt services but with open POs were 65.14%, which is under the months target by 1.53% or \$368,425. overall the departments as a whole are running under target: executive @ 62.48%; election registration and vital statics @ 61.26%; financial administration @ 58.6%; legal @ 63.73%; personnel administration @ 62.27%; planning & zoning 66.9%; general government buildings @ 54.67%; cemeteries @ 64.56%; municipal insurance 71.79%; parking administration 98.03%; police department 65.55%; fire department @ 65.09%; building & code inspection 60.18%; emergency management 59.8%; hydrants 97.03%; highways & streets 53.36%; municipal sanitation 65.31%; DPW @ 60.34%; animal control @ 63.6%; mosquito control @ 65.82%; welfare @ 62.67%; culture & recreation @ 60.44%; maintenance & parks over target; library @ 66.31%; patriotic purposes @ 114%; conservation @ 64.93%. The warrant articles continue to be spent; the 2015 encumbrances show that 88% have been expended; Fund 24 balance \$161,823; beach sticker donations \$12,850 with \$16,442 awarded in scholarships; cable committee fund balance \$186,005; private detail fund balance \$115,933; EMS @ \$341,026; waste water system development charge \$51,612 and balance in account of \$166,263.

Selectman Barnes: even though in some areas of the Fire and Police Departments have gone over, but overall the departments are still under the budget? Ms. Pulliam: yes, we are in good shape.

Selectman Waddell: good report and we are right on target; you are comfortable with what we have right now with money. Ms. Pulliam: yes.

Selectman Waddell: great report; can you explain the LGC health premium we saved last year.

Ms. Pulliam: for a few years, they would issue holiday premiums; they were calculating their rates in a different fashion that they are doing now, they were calculating them ahead of time, you may have been paying more than what you should have been for your premiums, so they issued a premium holiday. There is no talk of receiving more now that PLC is done; we received this for 3 years and it is all done, but that is what is affecting our revenue, which is why I keep pointing that out; that is almost all the difference in revenue is related to the holiday premium.

Selectman Waddell: we are still going up in building permits and vehicle registration.

Ms. Pulliam: also planning and fire permits; those are four that I have really noticed this year.

Selectman Bean: great report and speaks to how tight the numbers are how great the leadership is at the department head level that stays within budget and does a remarkable job. The people's government here continually impresses me in Hampton, and your numbers reflect that commitment towards excellence and providing municipal service and you are doing a great job, thank you.

V. Town Manger's Report (18:52)

1. I want to call the Boards and the Towns attention to a problem. Certain dog owners have been dumping their dog's waste into drainage catch basins. The act in itself is a violation of both State and Federal Laws. Our drainage basins drain to bodies of water. We will shortly receive our MS4 instructions on testing these facilities and reporting those tests to the State and Federal Agencies. These dumping activities will place the Town in non-compliance with current laws requiring the Town to clean and retest these facilities at the potential cost of thousands of dollars in taxpayer funds. If you see someone dumping into a drain catch basin, or a wetland or a body of water, please report him or her to DPW and the Police. Save yourself and others in the community from increased taxes because of a very few.
2. The Police Department is in the process of having the replacement security system installed that was previously approved. The work should be accomplished within the next few weeks.
3. We are currently reviewing all of the condominium docs for each condominium within the Town to determine which facilities are responsible for their own solid waste removal. We are currently about 50% completed. Once the review is accomplished we will have it reviewed by DPW to insure that the list is correct verses their pickup data. Following DPW review, the report will be issued to the Board for your review.

Selectman Waddell: do we have a Town ordinance where we can fine somebody if they are dumping into the drainage system.

Town Manager Welch: we do not, but the Federal Government does and it is \$125,000 per day penalty; these things discharge to the river/harbor; in violation of the State shellfish laws, need to be careful as people ingest the fish and shellfish.

Selectman Waddell: it would be incumbent on people if they see someone doing it to say something to them.

Town Manager Welch: yes and report them, as we are going to have to clean the basin.

Chairman Bridle: should we have a Town ordinance specifically for this?

Town Manager Welch: we can have one; part of our public works drain ordinance; will work up something and present to the board.

VI. Old Business

VII. New Business

VIII. Closing Comments (24:03)

Attorney Gearreald: appreciate board making a motion under 91-A:3,II,e litigation for a nonpublic session.

IX. Adjournment (24:18)

Selectman Waddell MOVED to enter into nonpublic session under RSA 91-A:3,II,e and asked for roll call at 7:24 PM SECONDED by Selectman Barnes.

VOTE BY ROLL CALL: 4-0-0

Non Public Session of September 19, 2016

Selectmen Present

Rusty Bridle, Chairman
James Waddell, Vice Chairman
Philip Bean, Selectman
Regina Barnes, Selectman

Also Present

Town Manager Frederick Welch
Town Attorney Mark Gearreald
Public Works Director Chris Jacobs

The Selectmen's meeting convened in Public Session at about 7:00 p.m.

At approximately 7:24PM, upon motion duly made by Selectman Waddell, seconded by Selectman Barnes, the Board voted unanimously by Roll Call vote to go into a Non-Public Session under RSA 91:A:3, II (e) (Litigation).

- I. Letter dated September 19, 2016 from Public Works Director Jacobs to four entities regarding sewer collection main cleaning/notice of violations for the main under Route 101.

Town Attorney Gearreald described the background to the issuance of this letter and Public Works Director Jacobs described the problems posed by the buildup of solidified floatables, oils and grease and their potential consequences. Chris Jacobs will be contacting the N. H. Department of Environmental Services directly regarding the issue and follow-up. A copy of this letter has been e-mailed to Attorney Lamontagne for Asset Title Holdings. Public Works Jacobs also described the issue of ground water infiltration and how that will be addressed.

- II. Intervention in Aquarion Water Company Petition for Temporary Connection to Wiggin Farm Development in Stratham.

Town Attorney Gearreald described the status of the Docket at the Public Utilities Commission and how the Commission has issued an Order dated August 22, 2016 that was not sent the

towns whom Aquarion Water Company of New Hampshire currently serves. The Board previously okayed intervention at the point when Aquarion filed a permanent petition but now it makes sense to intervene before that occurs as otherwise, the Town may get no notice of any hearing on same.

On motion by Selectmen Waddell, seconded by Selectman Barnes, the Board voted unanimously 4-0 to authorize the Town Attorney to file a Petition to Intervene forthwith.

The Town Manager answered various questions from the Board concerning the water utility.

At 7:55PM, Selectmen Waddell made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Selectmen Bean which the Board voted unanimously in favor.

The Public Session was not rejoined.

These minutes are not sealed.

Chairman