

**MINUTES**  
**SELECTMEN'S MEETING**

**July 9, 2018**

The Campton Board of Selectmen met at 4:30 p.m. at the Campton Municipal Building. Present were Selectboard members Chair Peter Laufenberg, Vice-Chair Karl Kelly, Sharon Davis, Bill Cheney, Craig Keeney, and Carina Park, Town Administrator.

**Approval of Minutes:** Chairman Peter Laufenberg inquired if there were any revisions or concerns regarding the Public Minutes of June 11, 2018 and June 25, 2018. **Selectman Sharon Davis made a motion to approve the revised minutes of June 11, 2018 and June 25, 2018; both motions were seconded. Chair Laufenberg asked for if there was any discussion. Mr. Kelly had additional revisions. Minutes approved as amended.**

**Privilege of the Floor**

Richard Osborne/Campaign for State Representative.

Mr. Osborne introduced himself to the Board. He is running for the Grafton 7 District State Representative position. He currently serves on the Campton Conservation Commission and has worked with the town on other projects such as the 250<sup>th</sup> Celebration Committee. Mr. Osborne said he salutes the Board for the job they do. He informed the Board his emphasis is going to be on education. He feels local public schools are underfunded in regards to State aid. He would also like to push for more vocational training in grammar schools. He stated that 16% of NH's population makes more than \$100,000/year but pay only about 20% of the property taxes and this is a problem.

Selectman Cheney asked Mr. Osborne if he was in favor of an income tax. Mr. Osborne answered he wasn't necessarily not in favor but he feels that an income tax would not work at this time.

Selectman Davis said last year the amount of funding for special education was decreased which has had a negative effect on the tax rate.

**Correspondence**

The revised Well Agreement was submitted by Sabourn and Tower in which they had added a statement that would bind future owners to said agreement. The agreement now reads (in part):

"This agreement upon recommendation of the Grafton County Registry of Deeds shall run with the land and shall bind myself, my heirs and assigns to the terms specified in this agreement"

Carina said if the Board finds this to be sufficient she will contact Mr. Lougee and inform him so he can sign the form.

The Select Board determined this is sufficient.

The NH Department of Environmental Services did a site inspection on the town's water system. A deficiency was found on the well head. The fernco coupling needs to be removed and replaced with welded steel. Chief Defosses explained where this casing was located. Selectmen Keeney said he could do this but would need to have an electrician involved. Carina will inform DES that they have a corrective action plan in place.

Campton Congregational Church was gifted a property located at 1459 US Route 3. In order for the property to be tax exempt the church needed to fill out an A-9 form which they did not by April 15th. They have since filled out the form and are asking the town to abate the current tax bill. After discussion the Board agreed to abate the taxes in the amount of \$1813.00.

Carina informed the Board that John Benham from Pump Systems has notified her that they are getting alarms at the Beebe River pump house without cause. The alarms seem to be due to the level controller. The screen that normally shows the levels is dark and blank. He has pricing for a new one as well as a used one and will be forwarding them shortly.

The State of NH Liquor Commission reported that Tartaglia's Pizza has applied for a liquor license.

The Co-Op has notified the town they will be putting some herbicides down on vegetation in specific areas within the town in order to cut back on some of the overgrowth.

NHMA will be having their yearly legislative session in September. Carina will scan and email the information to the Board members. A representative from the Board will be chosen at an upcoming meeting to attend the session and vote on the Board's behalf.

Carina informed the Board that the emails used by the Selectmen has been experiencing some issues. Carina asked the Board if it might be better if they used another platform such as Gmail as she believes this platform would be more user friendly on personal devices. Chair Laufenberg asked Carina to research what would work more efficiently. Chief Defosses interjected that his department uses Gmail which works well for their needs. It can also interface with the website so you could still send emails with the camptonnh.org label.

### **New Business**

Bid Opening for 2018 Paving Projects (Cedar Mill, Sugarbush, Merrill, Deacon Willey, & Willis Court)

Pike's industries: \$178,569.15

R&D Paving: \$168,454.68

GMI: \$155,860.80

Bryant Paving: \$182,236.95

A representative from Bryant Paving asked that the Board look at material tonnage in order to ensure there it is an apple to apples comparison.

The Board reviewed the tonnage and found that they were comparable.

Selectman Davis made a motion to accept the bid from GMI at \$155,860.80; motion seconded by Vice Chair Kelly. Chair Laufenberg asked for discussion. Mr. Cheney asked when the work would be started and Butch responded early August.

Selectman Keeney asked Butch what the order of paving would be. Butch responded he would prefer to wait for the company to decide that. Butch continued that there is still the issues with the cable line sticking up from Merrill Road, however, Carina has been in touch with Time Warner regarding this. Selectman Cheney asked Butch when they do the reclaiming how deep they will it go. Butch answered that he always has them go down below the pavement and there is usually a town employee there to watch. He continued it is difficult to judge an inch or two with those large machines.

Butch told the Board he is surprised at the cost that was quoted for the asphalt. Selectman Cheney suggested Butch ask GMI for all receipts so they can watch the tonnage. He knows they have asked for receipts in the past but he doesn't remember ever seeing them.

The Select Board voted unanimously to accept GMI's bid in the amount of \$155,860.80

Vice Chair Kelly brought up Southmayd Rd. Butch said if they would like to shim and overlay it now would be the time to get it done, as to take advantage of the price per ton that was quoted by GMI (\$67.20).

Butch continued regarding Southmayd and Tower Roads. He took some measurements with the laser and dredged some of the area to get the water moving. Where one turns into Tower Road the pavement has heaved up some and if they shim it and level it down the water should flow. The problem is some of the pavement has settled. If they cut that piece out and put hot top in along with the shimming, the water should flow properly. Butch added there are isolated areas that turn bad in the winter. Vice Chair Kelly asked about the addition of a small pavement curb which will help direct water to a catch basin and offer some control over drivers cutting off the corner.

Chair Laufenberg asked if Mr. Towers had been asked about the driving pattern in that area. Selectmen Keeney said he did ask Mr. Towers and he is not in favor of changing the driving pattern. Chair Laufenberg asked about the possibility of making the one way entrances and exits into the post office to alleviate some of the traffic around the Dunkin Donuts entry.

Selectman Cheney would like to review the driveway permits for entrances onto town roads. He believes there is something regarding the amount of space that is required.

Chair Laufenberg asked Butch if he could get a quote from GMI regarding Southmayd and Tower Road in time for the next Board meeting. Butch said in the meantime he would like a couple of Board members to meet him over there.

Selectman Keeney asked Butch about finishing up the shoulders and repairing the large pothole on Depot St. Butch said he can move forward on that but he would like to get rolling on the paving. Once paving is prepped and they have some available hours, they will go over there. September at the latest.

Butch is asked about Eastern Corners Rd. He was there in May and he will keep this on his radar.

### **Board Concerns and Directives**

Discussion on minutes and their accuracy.

Bi-weekly pay discussion in regards to the minutes and how the discussion on bi-weekly pay could be construed.

Selectman Keeney, regarding the discussion on paying bi-weekly, commented the Board had tried to do the switch to bi-weekly years ago and he could go either way with it. He has no problem with making the switch to bi-weekly but understands how the minutes could be construed. Chair Laufenberg said it stems back to a number of employees being unhappy with going bi-weekly. Mrs. Davis added it is not only a cost savings but is a more efficient way of doing payroll.

Vice Chair Kelly asked about choosing a CIP member. After discussion, Selectman Cheney recommended Mr. Williams and Mr. Frye. Selectman Davis made a motion to add Mr. Frye and Mr. Williams to the CIP committee. All Select Board members in favor. Motion is passed.

Mr. Kelly inquired about proposal for new locks. Carina explained she asked Chief Warn recently about this and she was told that JS Adams Security was putting together a quote.

Carina said a CIP meeting would need to be scheduled and she will let the new members know when it is.

Chair Laufenberg asked Carina if she knew what was going on with the windows at the Durgin Building. Carina reported that Granite State Glass has been scheduling the installation with the Tax Collector.

Chief Defosses updated the Board on the proposal he received from Saulnier Concrete for the work that needs to be done to entrance of the garages. The bid is \$8,000 and includes removal of existing apron, removing asphalt from the front of the building and preparing the dirt, subgrade where needed, pour a 6" thick 10'x50' apron with concrete fiber, 2x2 grid #4 rebar with 6"x6" wire mesh over the rebar. Selectman Keeney asked if anything was going to be done in front of the front door and Chief Defosses said that they will be building it up. Selectman Davis made a motion to accept Saulnier Concrete's bid for \$8,000; motion seconded and approved by unanimous vote.

The bids for the roof close on July 20<sup>th</sup> and the proposals will be opened at the next Board meeting.

**In Public Session a Motion was made to go into Non-Public Session under RSA 91-A: 3, II (a) regarding personnel. The Motion was seconded and with a roll call vote: Selectman Laufenberg- aye, Selectman Davis – aye, Selectman Kelly– aye, Selectman Keeney – aye, Selectman Cheney – aye ~ the Board went into Non-Public Session at 5:50 p.m. The Board came out of Non-Public Session at 6:09 p.m.**

**In Public Session, a Motion was made to seal the minutes of the non-public session. The Motion was seconded and unanimously approved.**

Adjourn: There being no further business; Chair Laufenberg declared the meeting adjourned at 6:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Pelchat, Transcriber