

**MINUTES**  
**SELECTMEN'S MEETING – REGULAR MEETING**  
**July 27, 2020**

**Call to Order.** A regular meeting of the Town of Campton Board of Selectmen was called to order at 5:35 p.m. on Monday, June 29, 2020 by Vice Chairman Karl Kelly at the Campton town office and via Zoom.

**The following Selectmen were present on the Zoom call:**

Craig Keeney, Chair

Karl Kelly, Vice Chair

Bill Cheney

Dan Boynton

Sharon Davis

Five members being present, a quorum (3) has been reached. Town Administrator Carina Park was also present along with employees Butch Bain, Fire Chief Dan DeFosses, Police Chief Kevin Foss and Deputy Fire Chief Ian Halm . Members of the public present by Zoom meeting included Paula Woodward and Ron Goggans, Craig Engel, Claire and Dan Desjardins, John Anderson, and Carol Lenahan,

**Approval of Minutes.** Selectman Boynton made a motion to approve the Public and Non-Public Minutes from July 13, 2020 as corrected. Selectman Davis seconded the motion, and the Board voted unanimously to accept.

**New Business**

**Revenue Review- State Aid, FEMA, GOFERR & Property Taxes:** Carina distributed by email a spreadsheet which outlined the unanticipated revenue received over the past year and where the funds have been currently allocated.

**2019 Municipal State Aid** currently has a balance of \$30,588

**2020 Municipal State Aid** currently has a balance of \$0 as the funds have not yet been received. This funding will be used for gravel as voted on at the annual town meeting.

**FEMA** funding for the 2019 storm has a current balance of \$28,431.29. This is a non-lapsing fund and will be spent toward roads.

**2020 GOFERR COVID-19** has a current balance of \$58,064.16. Carina Park stated that Governor Sununu recently announced that any unallocated COVID-19 funds may be used toward police and fire payroll. Carina suggested that Campton use any remaining funds for police only. Selectman Cheney asked what would happen to the budgeted Police Department surplus if, in fact, some payroll is covered by the GOPHERR funds. Carina stated that the surplus would go into unanticipated fund balance.

Ms. Park also stated that the real estate tax revenue is currently on target and even ahead by \$20,000 from this same time last year.

Since application of calcium chloride to some dirt roads for dust suppression was not budgeted, Ms. Park suggested that some unanticipated funds be used for that purpose. Butch Bain stated that the cost of the product is approximately \$1/gallon. A general discussion took place with agreement that Selectmen Kelly and Cheney and Butch Bain will get together by 8/4/2020 and prioritize road projects for summer 2020. Once the prioritized roads have been addressed, calcium chloride will be applied – up to \$5,000 additional funds out of the 2019 Municipal State Aid.

Ms. Park asked if the BOS would approve her funding the Capital Reserve (road infrastructure) since tax revenue is on target. The BOS approved unanimously.

Tara Bamford has conducted a first review of the Zoning ordinance. Corey Davenport is working to schedule a meeting with the Planning Board for August or September.

**Fire Department Vehicle Inquiry:** Chief Dan Defosses brought forward an opportunity to purchase an in-stock, pre-built Fire Engine to replace the 1999 Engine 2 slated to be replaced 2021. The truck is similar to the Engines Woodstock and Waterville Valley own. Dan believes this truck will be less expensive this year than if purchased next year by approximately \$30,000. Carina Park said that the truck was originally scheduled to be replaced in 2020 and was then slated for 2021. She also stated that Campton has nearly all of the funds for its share of the purchase. Chief Defosses said that the new truck would be housed at the main station, #3 would go to Thornton, #4 would go to lower Campton. The BOS unanimously agreed to move forward with obtaining quotes. Ms. Park asked if she should put funds in the Capital Reserve to pay for the truck. The BOS agreed.

Chief Defosses also brought forward information about a “Staffing for Adequate Fire & Emergency Response” grant that will become available in the fall. The grant would provide for three years of %100 payroll and benefits for two additional staff. The fourth year of payroll and benefits would need to be paid for by the town. Chairman Keeney asked to see a spreadsheet of the grant over four years.

**Highway Department-2020 Gravel Projects & Gearty Way:** Selectmen Cheney and Kelly and Butch Bain will get together by 8/4/20 to finalize plan for summer road maintenance. One stretch of road already identified and agreed upon is beyond the bridges on Eastern Corners – larger rocks and touching up with gravel will be done.

**Gearty Way.** The State of NH is involved because of the railroad tracks and needs to be kept informed. Selectman Cheney asked if Butch Bain would get someone to come in and reclaim a section of roadway to improve drainage. Chairman Keeney suggested that the project be sent out for bid.

#### Old Business

-none-

### Committee Updates

**Transfer Station.** Selectman Boynton stated that two individuals were interviewed for the Transfer Station Manager position. While the two individuals had similar experience, one demonstrated more tolerance for the frustrations of dealing with the public. The interviewing committee unanimously voted for the internal candidate and made this recommendation to the BOS who voted unanimously to approve. Carina Park will send a message for an intra-municipal agreement between Ellsworth, Thornton and Campton.

### Correspondence

**No Littering signs:** Carol Lenahan discussed the results of her research. The metal signs that she is recommending are shaped in the style of other signs currently used in Campton, are 18” by 24,” 18 mm thick, and have reflective lettering, border, and graphic. The background will be dark and the lettering light. Obtaining twelve signs and theft-deterrent attachments will cost \$63.89/sign. Butch Bain stated that posts previously obtained can be used so that new posts do not have to be purchased. Selectman Davis made a motion to purchase the signs and have the highway department install them. The motion was seconded by Selectman Boynton and the BOS unanimously agreed.

### Board Concerns and Directives

**Dan Boynton** – none stated

**Sharon Davis** – asked if the winner of the paving bid had been announced publicly. Although Carina Park stated that this had been done the BOS would like this included in the minutes. Bryant Paving won the bid.

**Bill Cheney** – none stated

**Karl Kelly** – none stated

**Craig Keeney** – noted that temporary “no parking” signs had been installed at Blair Bridge. Chief Foss stated that permanent signs should be placed, and that parking enforcement will continue through the summer. Selectmen also noted that additional areas in town need signage, including near Sunset Grill. The BOS agreed unanimously that the police department should continue enforcement of no parking. Chairman Keeney and Chief Foss will count how many signs are needed and Butch Bain will obtain pricing.

### Privilege of the Floor

**Claire and Dan Desjardins** asked the status of the road analysis. Carina Park stated that the job has been delayed and will begin in August.

The Desjardins also asked about the grant to improve internet access. Carina stated that Campton will not be able to apply for the grant. Selectman Boynton said that internet provider companies *are* applying for the grants.

**John Anderson** was present to hear information about the denial of the Dam Brewhouse request for permanent outdoor seating expansion. Selectman Boynton expressed concern that the Zoning Board didn't provide guidance when they denied the permit, but it is agreed that the BOS does not have jurisdiction over the Zoning Board. Selectman Cheney stated that the original permit was for a covered entryway, not for the expanded project. Chairman Keeney told the Andersons that they need to go to the Zoning Board to ask what the next steps should be.

Carina Park stated that the Zoning Board denied the variance for setback and that the Brewhouse now needs to develop an alternative plan for the current construction to make it a temporary one or relocate it on the property. Furthermore, she stated that a site plan for sit-down dining needs to go to the Planning Board.

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In Public Session a motion was made to go into Non-Public Session under RSA 91-A: 3, II (a). The motion was seconded and with a roll call vote: aye; Selectman Davis, aye; Selectman Kelly, aye; Selectman Cheney, aye; Selectman Boynton, aye.

**Adjournment.** There being no further business, Chairman Keeney adjourned the public meeting at 7:35 p.m.

Paula Woodward

Recorder