

**MINUTES
SELECTMEN'S MEETING
May, 24 2021**

The Campton Board of Selectmen met at 5:30 pm at the Campton Municipal Building on Monday, May 24, 2021. Karl Kelly, Bill Cheney, Sharon Davis, Dan Boynton and Nik Coates were present. Five members being present, a quorum (3) has been reached. Town Administrator Carina Park, Minutes Recorder Jade Hartsgrove, Interim Road Agent Ron Farnsworth, and Town Clerk/Tax Collector Hannah Joyce were present. During the work session, the Board signed the manifests, reviewed the bills, signed 6 building permits, 1 driveway permit, 2 LUCT, and the Dog warrant.

Call to Order: Selectman Kelly called the meeting to order at 5:34 pm. Members of the public present included Ron Goggans, Jane Kellogg, Mary McGrath, Dan Desjardins, Craig Engel, and Michael Burnham.

Approval of Minutes: Selectman Boynton made a motion to approve the corrected minutes as is from April 26th, 2021, both Public and Non-Public Selectman Davis seconded the motion, Selectmen Davis, Boynton, Cheney, and Kelly voted in favor, and Selectman Coates abstained.

Selectman Boynton made a motion to approve both Public and Non-Public minutes as is from May 10, 2021, Selectman Davis seconded the motion, Selectmen Davis, Boynton, Cheney, and Kelly voted in favor, and Selectman Coates abstained.

Selectman Kelly took a moment to Thank Craig Keeney for his time spent on the Select Board and recognize his efforts. He said he thought the Board did well with him on, and wanted to acknowledge his service to the Town. He also wanted to welcome Nik Coates, Campton's newest Select Board member.

New Business

2021 Selectmen Assignments: A discussion took place about who would be interested in being the Chair of the Board. Selectman Davis expressed that she is interested in being the Chairman, and Selectman Kelly expressed that he wouldn't mind being the Chairman after being the Vice-Chair for so long. A motion was made by Selectman Cheney to nominate Karl Kelly as Chair, there was no second, motion fails. Selectman Boynton made a motion to nominate Sharon Davis as Chair, Selectman Coates seconded, the motion was passed unanimously. Selectman Boynton made a motion to nominate Karl Kelly as the Vice-Chair, Selectman Davis seconded, the Board voted all in favor.

The following assignments were also discussed:

Planning Board: Bill Cheney

ZBA: Dan Boynton

Conservation Commission: Dan Boynton & Nik Coates

Policy Committee: Sharon Davis & Dan Boynton

CIP Committee: Karl Kelly & Nik Coates with Dan Boynton as an alternate.

Tax Assurance Officer: Sharon Davis

Voter Set-Up: Karl Kelly & Nik Coates

Park & Rec: Sharon Davis & Nik Coates

HR Committee: Sharon Davis & Karl Kelly

Intergovernmental Agreements Committee: Karl Kelly & Dan Boynton with Sharon Davis as an alternate.

Road Committee: Karl Kelly, Bill Cheney and Ron Farnsworth

Foothill Estates MHP: Michael Burnham, the new owner of Foothill Estates formally known as Six Flags MHP came before the Board to request a tax abatement for the abandoned and dilapidated mobile homes currently in the park. Michael forwarded a list of the units, there are 14. He explained to the Board that he and the other owners are trying really hard to get the park cleaned up, and told them the few things that they have done so far. He also asked for the Board to consider abating the back taxes on the 14 properties. He says they think that about 8-9 of the mobile homes could be salvageable and have potential buyers. The units that are not salvageable will be demolished. After discussion with the Board, they explained to him the process to come back after he goes through the motions and they will do a case-by-case abatement as he moves forward. Michael said that it is a title nightmare and he will go over it with his lawyer to figure out how to legally take possession of the units, and will be back for the next meeting.

Citizen Concern- Gravel Road Proposal: Craig Engel and Dan Desjardins came before the Board to present an update with their discussion with the Holderness Road Agent, Kevin Coburn. They went over findings, and recommendations. They spoke about geotextiles, how important it is to keep up with the ditching, and different mixtures for the winter sand. After the presentation, the Board thanked Craig and Dan for their work on this, and they thanked the Board in return.

Highway Dept Update- 2021 Paving projects: Interim Road Agent Ron Farnsworth came in to discuss the 2021 paving projects and about the purchase of the vibratory roller. Ron forwarded a paving proposal, the proposal includes the following roads: Stickney Hill, Summit Drive, Cindy's Lane, Town Pound Rd, and Livermore Rd. Ron went over the proposal and also explained to the Board that there were add alternates on the RFP. Selectman Coates suggested looking into doing a multi-year contract with a non-appropriation clause with a paving company as it has saved money in the past for the Town of Bristol. There was discussion about how scale slips need to be provided to the Town, Ron said that would not be a problem. Selectman Coates made a motion to approve the RFP & to receive scale slips, Selectman Davis seconded, The Board voted all in favor. The RFP will be posted, and bidders will have until 4:30 pm on June 7th to get them in by, and they will be opened at a public meeting of the Select Board later in the evening at 5:30 pm, awarded bidder will be notified Friday, June 11th, 2021. Some roads this year will be ground down, to apply additional gravel to grade and roll the roadways to stabilize the road bed to prepare to pave for the following summer. All owners on those roads will get letters to let them know the plan.

Equipment Purchase: Ron is looking to get \$15,000.00 approved from the CIP to purchase a trailer to get the roller so the highway crew can move it on their own. The trailer would also be able to haul the backhoe and would save a lot of wear and tear when going from one end of town to another. There was discussion on how much was in the heavy highway equipment line on the CIP and there is well over enough. Selectman Coates said he would like to see quotes, and see what they are agreeing to purchasing before they say yes. Ron said before he makes any purchase, he will show them, to be approved. Selectman Boynton made a motion to withdraw up to \$15,000.00 from the Heavy Highway Equipment fund from the CIP for a 20-ton trailer with the approval of the Road Committee, Selectman Kelly seconded, and the Board voted all in favor.

Ron also informed the Board that the grader blew a tire, and he was able to find new tires for \$1100.00 each, and it was roughly \$6600.00 for all of the tires.

TC/TX Hannah Joyce: Hannah came before the Board to touch base, and make sure they are all on the same page so she can advertise for a full-time position. There was discussion on the \$8000.00 and how it will depend on an hourly rate, and insurance. She said she will give a breakdown to Carina and work with her on it. Selectman Boynton expressed that he was not on the same page and thought the department was mismanaged but he will go along with it because the Town voted on it. Selectman Davis said the town voted to fill the position, so to move forward with it.

Old Business

2021 Tracking Report: Carina said she would like to reinstate the tracking report due to the ongoing projects it would help keep things on track with goals and timelines. At each meeting the Board will be given an update. Selectman Davis said she thinks it will help so much with keeping things on schedule. Carina asked the Board to brainstorm to add things to the report. Just a few things to begin with would be; reviewing opt out, the website, library, cemetery, and plan a meeting to go over if there is an emergency. Carina will work on putting this in an excel spreadsheet.

Correspondence

White Farm Auction: White Farm will be having a live webcast auction on June 24th. The cruiser will be ok to send to auction as Police Chief Kevin Foss said he will have the new cruiser by then. There was discussion on the dump truck and the freightliner, however, the Board decided to keep those because this winter the subcontractors may not come back due to the insurance requirements, and may need those to care for the roads.

Code Enforcement: Carina told the Board that Corey and Jade attended a code enforcement training and due to the Town not having a building inspector technically the name of the building permit should be changed to something along the lines of "Zoning Requirement" or "Zoning Compliance". Selectman Boynton made a motion to change the name of the building permit to Zoning Compliance Application, Selectman Cheney seconded the motion and the Board voted all in favor.

Jane Kellogg: At this point Jane had exited the meeting, she had forwarded a write up that was also distributed at Town Meeting on the West Branch Brook purchase. Selectman Coates expressed that it was a nice piece of land, and would like to have some sort of upkeep plan.

Homeowner from Loft Circle: There was a homeowner that reached out requesting the Board to ask Campton Sand and Gravel if people could use their land as an access point to the river. Selectman Kelly said as a town they probably shouldn't get involved in something like that. The Board respectfully declines the request.

Kelly Subdivision: Back when Chris and Paula Kelly subdivided their land it was a requirement to put in a fire pond, however, there was never a formal easement for it. Since they are selling some of the lots, one lot which has the fire pond on. They have drafted a fire pond easement.

Citizen Concern: This homeowner says he lives in the CVP but does not receive any of the services offered from the CVP. They are requesting to re-zone the area. Selectmen Kelly said in the past a

couple people have been a case-by-case basis. Carina said that this conversation needs to be done with the CVP. Selectman Davis said to schedule a meeting with the CVP.

Committee Updates

Selectman Davis: Selectman Davis advised that she had been approached by Mary O'Brien, Chair of the Library Study Committee about scheduling a meeting with several members of the School Board and Board of Selectmen and committee members to go over and solidify a plan for the library. The meeting would be in late July or early August. She said she would like to continue being a Selectmen representative of the library study committee, and Selectman Coates expressed he is passionate about libraries and would also like to be a member as well.

Board Concerns & Directives

Selectman Cheney: Inquired about the sink hole that was on Deacon Willey Rd, Carina said that Ron came in on Saturday, and filled it and then again today.

Selectman Boynton: Thinks the Town should have a Facebook page. He suggested to make the settings so there can't be comments. He thinks this would be a good way to keep Campton citizens informed on town matters. Selectman Kelly expressed his reservations, but Selectman Boynton said it will be closely monitored, and comments won't be allowed. This page will be informational. Selectman Cheney said most people use Facebook; he just doesn't want to see a bunch of garbage. Selectman Boynton made a motion for a limited information only Facebook page, and Selectman Coates, seconded the Board voted all in favor.

Selectman Boynton also brought up that he would like the Town to switch over to office 365. He said it meets all of the compliance and security and it is compatible with all devices. Selectman Coates said it makes a lot of sense to switch, and it's good for the right to know law compliance. The entire Board agreed, so Selectman Boynton will look into this further.

Selectman Coates: Expressed that he is excited to be on the Board.

Selectman Davis: Asked if meeting by zoom and the 9182 order is still in effect? Selectman Coates said before COVID it was always o.k. for a Selectman to join the meeting virtually as long as there was a quorum of the board in the room physically. The Legislature is trying to make this a permanent order. Selectman Davis advised that the emergency order could be taken off the minutes moving forward.

Privilege of the Floor

-NONE-

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: Selectman Kelly, aye; Selectman Davis, aye; Selectman Coates, aye; Selectman Cheney, aye; Selectman Boynton, aye. The Board came out of non-public session at 7:58pm.

Selectman Coates made a motion to seal the Non-public minutes, Selectman Davis seconded the motion, the Board voted all in favor.

Selectman Kelly made a motion to appoint Ron Farnsworth as the Road Agent until March of 2022 with a review after the first of the year, Selectman Boynton seconded the motion, the Board voted all in favor.

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: Selectman Kelly, aye; Selectman Davis, aye; Selectman Coates, aye, Selectman Cheney, aye; Selectman Boynton, aye. There being a quorum, the motion carries. The Board came out of non-public session at 8:16pm.

Selectman Kelly made a motion to appoint Jess Halm and Jane Kellogg for the Conservation Commission, Selectman Boynton seconded the motion, the Board voted all in favor.

Selectman Kelly made a motion to appoint Charlie Wheeler, Martha Aguiar and Tim Scanlon as a full-time ZBA members, Selectman Boynton seconded the motion, the Board voted all in favor.

Selectman Kelly made a motion to appoint Stuart Pitts, Chris Kelly and Jack Letvinchuk as full-time PB members if Jack wants the full-time position, Sherrill Howard and Sam Miller as alternates for the PB, Selectman Cheney seconded, and with a roll call vote: Selectman Kelly-aye, Selectman Davis-aye, Selectman Coates- No, Selectman Boynton-no, and Selectman Cheney-aye, there being a quorum, the motion passes 3-2.

Adjournment: There being no further business, Chairman Davis adjourned the public meeting at 8:20p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jade Hartsgrove
Minutes Recorder