

MINUTES  
SELECTMEN'S MEETING  
June 20, 2022

The Campton Board of Selectmen met at 5:30 pm on Monday, June 20, 2022. Chair Sharon Davis, Selectman Craig Engel, and Selectman Mort Donahue were present. Also present were Campton Town Administrator Corey Davenport, and Natasha Egger, Minutes Recorder.

**Call to Order:** Chair Davis called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm. Selectman Boynton was on Zoom.

**Non-Public Session:** Selectman Engel made a motion to go into non-public per RSA 91-A:3, II (a) at 5:31 PM: Selectman Donahue seconded the motion, and the vote was as follows Selectman Donahue, aye, Selectman Engel, aye. and Chair Davis, aye.

A motion was made to come out of Non-Public at 5:36 pm by Craig Engel, seconded by Selectman Donahue. The vote was as follows Selectman Donahue, aye, Selectman Engel, aye. and Chair Davis, aye.

**Approval Of the Minutes**

Selectman Donahue made a motion to approve the public minutes of June 6, 2022, and non-public minutes from June 6, 2022, as revised. Selectman Engel seconded the motion, and the Board voted all in favor.

**General Updates**

**Personnel:**

- The Campton Highway Department has hired two new employees. The Highway Department will be fully staffed on Monday, June 27<sup>th</sup>.
- The Campton Police Department had a potential candidate do a ride-a-long, but there is no formal update yet from Chief Foss.
- The Campton Fire Department is still down one employee and there are no updates about any potential candidates.

The Campton Highway Department has two pieces of equipment being repaired. The Backhoe and the 1-ton pickup truck. They are still waiting on parts to come in so that the repair shops can finish repairs.

**Financial Review**

The total cash on hand is \$1,053,469.45. There is a steady flow of taxes coming in.

**Correspondence & Other Items**

Nothing

**Culvert Flood Risk Assistance Grants**

The Town does not qualify for the Culvert Flood Risk Assistance Grant. The Town Administrator told the Board that these grants are designed for big projects and the Town had no projects that fit the grant requirements.

### **Campton CIP Joint Meeting Discussion**

Corey talked to the Board about meeting with the Town of Thornton about the discrepancies in our Capital Improvement Plans. The Board had indicated they would prefer to have that discussion near the end of July.

While discussing the Town of Thornton, the Town Administrator brought up an email sent by Debra Shepard in regards to the Transfer Station Manager. The Board told Corey that they preferred the Transfer Station Manager position has to be a full-time position and they should work at least 36 hours per week. Debra stressed that the Town of Thornton is struggling to fill that position. Debra asked to see if the Board would make an exception to the rule and is willing to allow for a part-time manager. The Board was willing to make an exception to this rule with a couple of conditions. One condition was that they wanted to review the situation in six months. Another was they were only willing to cover 30% of benefits. Finally, the Board asked that Thornton actively searches for a full-time candidate. The Board asked Corey to relay their conditions to Debra.

### **Campton Village Precinct District Discussion**

A couple of Campton residents came to Corey and informed the Town that they are being taxed by the Campton Village Precinct but do not receive any of their services. Chair Davis recommended that Corey reach out to the residents and have them make their case to the Board. The Board asked that these be handled on a case-by-case basis.

### **SMP Contract Feedback**

Corey gave the contract to the Town Attorney, Shawn Tanguay, and Shawn advised that the Town be cautious since the contract is in the best interest of the contractor. He mentioned that this contract is set up like most engineering contracts and that SMP is not setting up their contracts any different than any other engineering contract. The Board felt that it is a small amount for the contract and that it is a small risk. They also wanted to start this process so that a proposal would be ready by Town Meeting. The Board asked to make sure the scope from the RFP was included in the contract. Selectman Donahue made a motion to approve the contract with the altered scope, Selectman Engel seconded the motion. The Select Board voted unanimously for the motion.

### **Privilege of the Floor**

None

### **Old Business**

Selectman Donahue brought up Juneteenth. Chair Davis mentions that the State of New Hampshire does not recognize it yet as a national holiday. The Board asked Corey to reach out to different towns to see what holidays are recognized during the year. Chair Davis wanted to reiterate that the Town Office is here for the Public. The Board would like to review the number of holidays in the future.

### **Board Concerns, Committee Updates & Directives**

Jeff Morrill from NH Broadband and NH Electric Co-Op sent a letter explaining that the Town of Campton will be part of a major fiber-optic expansion project that will provide internet capable of speeds

over 1 Gigabit per second to over 1,400 homes and businesses. Chair Davis advised that she had spoken with Leo Dwyer, Executive Officer of NH Broadband LLC, and he will attend one of the Selectmen's meetings the end of July or in August.

There was a motion at 6:12 pm to recess the meeting until the start of the Public Hearing at 6:30 by Selectman Donahue, seconded by Selectman Engel. The Board is in recess.

### **Public Hearing on Unanticipated Revenue**

Selectman Engel made a motion to open the public hearing at 6:30 pm on the Unanticipated Revenue, Selectman Donahue, seconded the motion. The Board voted unanimously in favor

The Board opened the Public Hearing to allow the Town of Campton to accept the unanticipated funds from the Auction of two pieces of Town Highway Equipment. The proceeds from the auction were \$19,575.00. The funds can go towards the purchase of the John Deere Backhoe. The remaining balance to pay for the Backhoe will come from the Highway Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund.

Chair Davis asked for a motion to approve the application to use the \$19,575.00 of unanticipated revenue to pay for the John Deere Backhoe. Selectman Donahue, moved, Selectman Engel second the motion. All in favor, Selectman Donahue, Aye, Selectman Engel, Aye, and Chair Davis, Aye.

The Board asked for feedback from the public. There was no one from the public present and no one from the public was on Zoom.

Chair Davis closes the meeting and adjourns at 6:32 pm

Respectfully Submitted;

Natasha E. Egger

Minutes Recorder