

Town of Boscawen
Board of Selectmen
Final Minutes
Thursday, July 11, 2019 at 6:00pm

In attendance: Edward Cherian, Lorrie Carey, Katie Phelps, Kevin Wyman, Dean Hollins and Alan Hardy.

Chairman Cherian opened the meeting with the pledge of allegiance at 6:00pm and a moment of silence.

At this time Town Administrator Hardy asked if there was anything to take off the consent agenda, Carey has asked to remove the June 13th meeting minutes for minor corrections.

Chairman Cherian made a motion to approve the consent agenda as amended. Selectwomen Carey seconded. All in favor.

Scheduled Speaker's

Conservation Committee Chair Tom Gilmore came to speak to the Board today to ask the Board to consider to move Creaser Parcel into the possession of the Conservation Committee. The committee paid \$375,000.00 from the conservation commission and the Town out in \$250,000.00 that does restrict what the Town can do with the property. Gilmore proposes to turn it in to part of the Town Forrest which can be done in a warrant article to be voted on during Town meeting and would like to have conservation easements to protect those properties. Cherian mentioned that putting an easement on the property would be done so in a separate warrant article to be voted on. Gilmore would like to have a survey done on that land, conservation has the money to spend for a survey and the question is can conservation spend money on a survey on land that they don't currently own. Gilmore mentions that it is also in the benefit for the Town to have the survey done.

Chairman Cherian made a motion to authorize Conservation Commission to conduct a survey of the Creaser lots. Selectwoman Carey seconded. All in favor.

Gilmore mentions that , that is a piece of property for trails and the snowmobile club has some trails and maintain them and would like to discuss with the school board and see if they can have a trail for the school students up the Creaser property and the school and eventually to the Town forest. Gilmore did disclose that he is part of the snowmobile club. Hardy mentioned that the only reason for warrant article would be if they transfer the property into the Town Forrest. Cherian is in favor of re-assigning it to the Conservation Commission and has asked Hardy to work with Gilmore and legal to draft up a warrant for the Town to vote on in March. Gilmore thanks Charlie Niebling for the help and that he is a great asset to the community. Gilmore mentioned when all said and done they would like to speak to the school board and discuss the trail behind the school.

Treasurer Gail Egounis came to speak to the Board on the Deputy Treasurer, Egounis is going on vacation August 2nd. Egounis is recommending Sally Fisher as her Deputy. The Board mentioned that Egounis is to write up a letter of recommendation and qualifications to present it to the Board.

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New Discussion-

Hardy mentioned that he received an email from Canterbury on the agreement with Penacook Rescue and the agreement between PRS and the three jointing towns. Carey asked Hardy to reach out to see if they can have the agreement by the next meeting.

Hardy updated the Board on the Municipal roof project. They are half the way through the project and should be finished with that this coming week.

Chairman Cherian made a motion to approve the June 13th meeting minutes with corrections made. Selectwoman Carey seconded. All in favor.

Hardy mentioned that Hollins has sent Hardy a few amendments on the Penacook Boscawen Water Precinct and The Town of Boscawen winter maintenance agreement. Cherian would like to get a copy of it before next week's meeting and discuss it when Sanborn is at the meeting. Cherian mentioned that he would like to see an updated flow testing data. He suggest that they invite the Precinct to have a meeting to answer a few questions. Cherian has asked for Hardy to work out some dates with the Precinct to submit to the Board for a meeting.

Hardy mentioned that they are still working in the No through Trucking Ordinance and they have made a few changes to the document. Hardy has sent the Northfield and Webster copies down to council. Hardy mentioned that he would like to schedule a public hearing for August 8th, 2019 for the update of fee schedule and that enable them to put the fees associated with the ordinance in to place. Hardy will have a draft of the ordinance at the next meeting. Once the ordinance goes in effect there will be signs out in place.

Hardy mentioned that Town Clerk/Tax Collector Hoyt has requested to have an agreement letter signed for Fish and Game. This will allow the Town to start processing Fishing License, Hunting Licenses and OHRV registrations once the training is completed.

Selectwoman Carey made a motion to sign the agreement letter for Fish and Game. Chairman Cherian seconded. All in favor.

Hardy mentioned that there was a request to put a flag pole up at the torrent station. They want to place it around the hose tower, Hollins mentioned that location is the only place they are able to plow snow during the winter. Hardy suggested to have an attached flag pole just below the second floor window. Hardy mentioned himself and Hollins will go and look to see what would work best and bring that to the next meeting. No decision has been made at this time.

Hardy mentioned that there had been a change in the Payment In Lieu of Taxes agreement between Briar Hydro and the Town of Boscawen. In 2017 the contract brought in a total \$82,988.73 as a comparison to 2018 contact year brought in \$167,681.35. Carey asked if there was a graph dating back the last 10 years and the difference of the totals. Hardy mentioned it is possible to make however there have been several different contracts over the 10 years.

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Cherian mentioned that last year the Town re-did two PILOT agreements one with Riverbend and the other with Community Bridges. Cherian has asked for Carey to obtain a copy of the new agreements. Hardy wanted to mention that Riverbend said that they would look at the PILOT agreement and to date has not made a payment on that agreement. Cherian would like Hardy to look into that. Carey asked if the Town has worked on a PILOT agreement with the county facilities, Cherian suggest that Carey and himself will talk to the county.

Hardy mentioned that he had sent out the final draft of the Holiday Basket Letter and that will start going out tomorrow. The letter is sharing the Towns involvement in the Holiday Food baskets and the Board recommending Welfare Administrator Sarah Gerlack to lead the program.

Chairman Cherian made a motion to approve nonpublic RSA 91-A: 31 II (d). Selectwoman Carey seconded. All in favor.

Chairman Cherian made a motion to approve nonpublic RSA 91-A: 31 II (e). Selectwoman Carey seconded. All in favor.

Hardy mentioned that a while back there was a complaint from 56 Eel street. They have done the research and Hardy would like to invite the property owners in for August 8th meeting to speak to the Board. The Board is asking for Hardy to make a request to the homeowner and ask if they would shield the lights from the neighbors.

At this time Cherian asked if the Public had any comments.

Bill Devine from the water precinct mentioned that he likes and agrees to all the changes the Town has made concerning the winter agreement with the precinct and would like to applaud the Town for all the work that they have done and is excited about the relationship between the Precinct and the Town moving forward.

Chairman Cherian made a motion to go into nonpublic non-public RSA 91-A: 31 II (c). Selectwoman Carey seconded. All in favor.

Chairman Cherian made a motion to come out of nonpublic non-public RSA 91-A: 31 II (c). Selectwoman Carey seconded. All in favor.

Selectwoman Carey made a motion to adjourn the public meeting at 8:45pm. Selectmen Sanborn seconded. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted by Sarah Gerlack.