

Town of Canterbury
Selectmen's Meeting
October 21, 2019

Selectmen Present: Art Hudson
George Glines
Town Administrator: Ken Folsom

The meeting was called to order at 5:00PM

Administrative

The Board signed: A/P Manifest
P/R Manifest
Employee leave requests
Health Insurance Agreement
Center sign request
Yield Tax Levy
Equalization

Minutes

The Selectmen reviewed the minutes of the October 7, 2019 meeting. George made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Art seconded the motion. All in favor by roll call, motion carried.

The Selectmen reviewed the minutes of the October 16, 2019 meeting. George made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Art seconded the motion. All in favor by roll call, motion carried

Appointments

Town Clerk/Tax Collector Sam Papps

Sam reported that he and Jamie had attended the Tax Collectors conference.

Sam asked if a decision had been made about a resident asking for a payment plan for the current use penalty received. Ken explained that the Selectmen will be sending out a letter with a payment plan.

His office is getting ready to send out tax bills.

The Board thanked Sam.

Road Agent John O'Connor

John reported that the reflectors on Intervale Road have been put in place. They are still working on storm clean-up.

John explained that the generator at the Municipal building had been serviced.

John reported to the Board on his visit to Welch Road for the road waiver. He explained that the turn around that had been installed is at a skew. This needs to be corrected to accommodate emergency vehicle access. The road waiver states that this road will be brought up to Class V standards, due to the characteristics of the road, the requirements will be amended.

The Board will sign the agreement, the turnaround need to be corrected and an easement must be drafted for the turnaround on another lot.

The Board thanked John for attending.

Fire Chief Guy Newbery

Guy distributed the department monthly statistics.

Guy updated the Selectmen on projects, prevention and training.

A committee of members is working with vendors to decide on the manufacturer for the SCBA's.

Rescue 1 has returned from Winnepesaukee Truck with new cross members and a section of the frame replaced.

Shaker Village Dam project is scheduled to start on October 28, 2019.

Guy met with Dave Warrender of Huot Technical Center to determine if there is any interest in emergency services and EMT programs at the high school level.

Guy updated the Board on 2 vehicle/camper fires. Both fires are undetermined and is now an active investigation by the NH Fire Marshal's Office.

The Board thanked Guy.

Police Chief Mike Labrecque

Mike distributed the department monthly statistics.

Mike distributed an amended draft of the noise ordinance. A brief discussion was held on a warrant article for body cameras. He is also working on a body cam policy and will be submitting it to the Selectmen.

The Board thanked Mike for attending.

Chance Anderson stopped in to see if he could get an inspection of his tiny cottage used as an Air B&B. Ken will contact Chief Newbery to arrange.

Anne & Jay Berry

Anne & Jay attended the meeting to discuss their Class VI road waiver for Welch Road.

Art reported that he had visited Welch Road to look at the upgrade. Art explained that the turnaround was askew and would need to be re-aligned, and the easement must be drafted and recorded at the Registry of Deeds. Jay asked if the re-alignment could be done at the same time they plan to dig the cellar hole. The Selectmen agreed and explained that they will be amending the road agreement and will forward the document for their signatures.

The Board thanked Anne & Jay for attending.

New Business

Ken reported that the Town has received the unofficial tax rate. The Selectmen reviewed the prior year rate. The Selectmen voted to remove funds from the unreserved fund balance to reduce the town rate. The school rate had a significant increase over the previous year.

Ken updated the Selectmen on his progress for getting another Building Inspector.

Ken updated the Board on the grant for a generator for the Sam Lake House. The grant would cover 75% of the cost.

Ken reported that he had been contacted by the Attorney of Mr. Pichette, the owner of 109 Ayers Road. Mr. Pichette may request another hearing from the ZBA for a variance on the property.

The Board received an email questioning a possible campground on Foster Road.

Art made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 PM. George seconded the motion. All in favor by roll call, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Stout
Administrative Assistant