

TOWN OF ALSTEAD, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Select Board
Approved Minutes for Meeting of March 30, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.
Town Hall, 9 Main Street, Alstead, NH 03602

To attend via Google Meet, access code is <https://meet.google.com/hnr-zuns-igp>
Conference call: (978) 990-5000, access code 539083#

SELECT BOARD PRESENT: Mary Ann Wolf; Joel McCarty (in person); Joe Levesque (Google Meets)

STAFF PRESENT: Charlotte Comeau, Office Administrator; Penny Gendron, PD Administrative Assistant; Jodi Kercewich, Transfer Station Supervisor; Bobbie Wilson, Vilas Pool Committee

COMMUNITY MEMBERS: Judith Willis (on Google Meets); Ben Duffy-Howard; Glen Elsesser; Gordon Kemp; Mark Mastrocinque; Rich Nalevanko; Marge Noonan; (in person)

While waiting to call the meeting to order Mary Ann asked if anyone would like to volunteer to say the pledge. This was done

CALL TO ORDER: Mary Ann Wolf called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ACTION ITEMS: Signed letters regarding warrant article #20, bill manifest, current use app (Dennett)

OLD BUSINESS: Mary Ann acknowledged Bobbie Wilson. Bobbie spoke on Vilas Pool and stated that the committee decided to have the pool open Friday, Saturday and Sunday from 11:00 – 7:00. They had not taken any bookings yet but they were looking to only have up to 50 people and follow the state guidelines for COVID. The Board had no objections. Joel stated that there has been no progress yet on opening the gate but it is in the works between Prescott and himself. Bobbie followed up with the fact the park needs a lot of clean up. Mary Ann asked if it could be incorporated with Earth Day. Bobbie stated that it would probably take more than one day but they will contact Sarah Webb.

Mary Ann noted that Joel received permission from Dr. DeLotto to borrow his lift so the town can repair and paint the flag pole.

Mary Ann stated that Joel had reached out to Cinde Warmington. Per Joel, there has been no response. Joe asked that when Joel does meet with her if he or Gordon could explain to her why we failed on getting broadband into Alstead since Cinde mentioned in her letter that broadband is something that she may be able to help with.

Discussion took place on hazardous and dilapidated buildings. Joel said that he started reading the RSA regarding this but will touch base with Charlotte since she has knowledge of the process.

Discussion took place on the property on Baine Rd. Mary Ann stated that they sent an email to Mr. DeVillers. She and Jude walked in the area and talked to a nearby property owner, Mr. Ingalls. Glenn mentioned that he didn't think the town should be giving out quotes on the cost to upgrade a class 6 to class 5. This should be between the landowner and the contractor and shouldn't cost the town any time or money.

Mary Ann mentioned that there had been logging in the past in Marlow and the loggers were using Baine Rd to log in Marlow. She said that Rick Evans from DRA showed up. Charlotte had called him to mention the situation. He didn't think the road was that bad and said that we would have to prove that it was done by the loggers. Joel suggested that someone could call Marlow and find out the property owner and logger.

Mary Ann stated that the American Rescue Plan is eligible for \$190,000 but not sure of all the details yet. Joe said that the school district is going to get 1.9 million from this plan. Part of this is for HVAC upgrades, perhaps we can get the mini splits paid for.

Jodi presented 3 quotes for the garage door. On a motion by Mary Ann, seconded by Joel; ***the Board voted to approve the quote from Garage Door Rescue for \$1,846.00.***

NEW BUSINESS: Mary Ann discussed a policy that Werner from the Ambulance Dept crafted on record retention stating that this is something that every department should have which we don't. Joel stated that Charlotte had reached out to the NHMA legal and asked them if we needed to assign a municipal committee or need a separate policy. Their response was that there is nothing else that we need to do as long as we follow the statute. Mary Ann said we are supposed to have a Municipal Committee. Mary Ann wants to take the information from the RSA and put it in a format like Werner created. Charlotte stated that anyone that comes in to the office could go by the RSA which is currently done in the Select Board office and Town Clerk/Tax Collector. Mary Ann reiterated that she is just going to take what is in the RSA and copy it. Joel proposed to table it.

Mary Ann said that a resident wanted to bring up the use of RFPs. However, the resident wasn't here so they will wait for another time. Charlotte mentioned that Tina is working on RFPs right now for Gilsum Mine Rd. They will bring it up another time.

The next item on the agenda was Bridge projects. Glenn mentioned that we should wait until Prescott is there. No further discussion.

Planning Board ExOfficio will still be Mary Ann.

MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING: Minutes of March 23 and 24, 2021: On a motion by Joel, seconded by Joe; ***the Board voted to approve the minutes as written. The motion passed unanimously.***

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Charlotte said she was asked by Bruce Bellows if they could use the town hall for a bridal shower on May 16th if there was bad weather the day that they were going to have it. Mary Ann asked how many people but Charlotte didn't know. She will find out and get back with them and discuss next week.

Marge Noonan suggested a microphone or something as it is very difficult to hear the Board. Mary Ann said she will try and project.

Ben Duffy-Howard asked about getting a trash can to put on Millot Green by the Gazebo. Mary Ann is going to ask Wendy and Prescott about that.

INFORMATIONAL:

On a motion by Joe, seconded by Joel; ***the Board voted to adjourn at 6:48 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.***

Respectfully submitted,



Charlotte Comeau, Office Administrator

The next Select Board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 31, 10:00 a.m. at the Municipal Offices. The meeting following that is scheduled for Tuesday, April 6th, 6:00 p.m. at the Town Hall.