

**Selectmen Present:** Chairman Greg Placy, Selectman Ray Gorman, Selectman Sue Collins, and Town Manager Becky Merrow.

**Others Present:** Jake Mardin, Jim Hesselbacher, Mary Ellen Hesselbacher, James Gilbert, Ed Brisson, Les Otten, Dana Masson, Dolly McPhaul, TJ Rossitto, Danny Lyons, Allan Coates, Hazen Burns, and Recording Clerk Sasha Uran.

**Chairman Greg Placy called the meeting to order at 5 pm. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.**

**Minutes of the last meeting(s)**

**Motion: Sue Collins moved to approve the minutes of March 22, 2016. Ray Gorman seconded. Motion carries unanimously.**

**Public:**

**Dolly McPhaul State Senate**

Dolly McPhaul stopped in to let the board know she is running for State Senate District 1 and would like to sit in on the meeting to see how it works.

**5:00 David Brunault Conveyance of property off Lynch Drive—Old Parson's Lot.**

The surveyor Dana Masson commented that he would wait for David to arrive.

**5:30 TJ Rossitto & Danny Lyons— "On Call" Fee and Callback Policy**

Becky reported that the Town and State workers receive a stipend if they are on call. If the worker calls out, they lose that stipend amount.

TJ noted that if the worker were to leave early, they still receive the stipend they just won't receive a call back that night. Sue asked if anytime a worker is called out they get paid overtime? TJ's response was that the overtime pay is for anytime on the clock before 7 am and after 3pm. Discussion ensued. Greg stated that in TJ's words, any time before 7am or after 3pm that a worker is called in they will receive overtime pay when dealing with a snowstorm. TJ would like to get both Gravel and Winter Sand out to bid soon for this coming season. The earlier they can get it and store it he believes is better instead of waiting until November.

**6:00 Stewartstown Selectmen Intermunicipal Agreement Stewartstown**

Allen stated that when they left a meeting the last time, they left it up to the board to change the agreement how they saw fit. The Stewartstown board kept referencing the Pittsburg contract due to understandability. Becky noted that the town counsel believed Pittsburg's liability was a little iffy. The attorney did not want Colebrook taking all the risk. Decision was to let Colebrook board look over Pittsburg's contract and figure out their next move.

**Manifests:** (signed)

**Payroll Manifests**

**Accounts Payable Manifests**

**Outstanding Business:**

**Capital Improvement Plan**

**Zoning violation for Mott**

Becky reported there is no update.

**Personnel Policies: FMLA Holiday pay; Worker's Comp. pay, Employees leaving for Fire Dept. Duty**

Becky reported that the rewrite of the policies are in the works. They will schedule another work session when Becky is back from vacation. Becky will work on FMLA language.

### **Class 3 Industrial Discharge Permit Tillotson Polymer**

Becky reported it has been signed. Will send a certified letter telling Mr. Tillotson that he needs to begin testing immediately.

### **Household Hazardous Waste Day Tentative Date August 13**

Need to figure out what they should do with outside citizens who wish to participate. Maybe the town could charge them the \$25 rate that the company charges. Need to get everything advertised and let neighboring towns know they have people who are interested in participating. Ray recommended an earlier date.

### **Public Hearing on Water Rates—Adjustment for Backflow Testing 2x annually; testing for PRZ Tentative Date May 23**

Becky reported she is gathering the data. The new water rates would be for the sprinkler systems and backflow prevention checks. The Sewer would probably go up by \$30.

### **Country Day School Insurance Claim**

Becky reported that they haven't received an official answer yet.

### **Kennett v. Town of Colebrook**

Nothing new until May.

### **Intervenor Status Northern Pass**

Becky reported Colebrook's application has been accepted for Intervenor Status.

### **Main Pump Station pump replacement/repair**

Becky reported that Ferguson found a coupling for it. It still needs a part. Danny reported that he found a company that might be able to rebuild the broken one as back up and he has given Shannon the information.

### **SEARCH Grant**

Becky reported there has been no official answer. She was asked if the town has met its match which she believes they have.

### **Dispatch Battery Replacement Project**

They will know more in April.

### **NCC Transportation Committee membership**

Becky reported she is trying to get the chairman to do it. Greg noted they will discuss it more when Becky returns from vacation.

### **Front Stairs at Town Hall**

It is on the agenda as a reminder for the chairman to take measurements.

### **Unknown Owner properties**

A reminder for chairman. Might have to involve attorney Bernie Waugh.

### **Hydrosource**

Becky reported she has asked Shannon to pull the logs on turbidity.

### **Fire Precinct Policy**

Ray reported that the Fire Precinct was very happy with the check paying the back charges for calls. Precinct was trying to change the proposed policy so Ray asked them to look it over and sign it if they are comfortable doing so. Becky reported that after paying the Fire Precinct for the calls in 2015, Wayne Frizzell called her and informed her they had received a payment for the fatal which occurred in January 2015. Sue noted that the Fire Precinct now owes the Town reimbursement for the amount paid.

### **Proposed Sewer Rates**

See Public Hearing on Water Rates.

### **New Business**

### **Appointed Board Members—Hesselbacher & Anderson**

**Motion: Ray Gorman moved to approve continuance of appointment to the Conservation Commission for Jim Hesselbacher and to the Zoning Board of Adjustment for Joe Anderson. Sue Collins seconded. Motion carries unanimously.**

#### **Forward NH Fund**

Greg reported that there is a letter which has been prepared stating where the town stands on the issue. The board is against the negativity created by the Northern Pass issue but are in support of the Forward NH Fund if they will do what is stated. The town's biggest goal is to see the Balsams up and running again. The letter states the board would recommend the lines being buried for ecological reasons.

**Motion: ~~Sue Collins moved to approve the letter for sending to NH Site Evaluation Committee. Ray Gorman seconded. Motion carries unanimously.~~**

Les has concerns that the last line about burying the lines sounds like the board has picked a side instead of staying neutral and letting the SEC decide. Discussion ensued between Les and Jim Hesselbacher on burying lines versus towers.

**Motion: Sue Collins moved to strike original motion to approve the letter. Ray Gorman seconded. Motion carries unanimously.**

**Motion: Ray Gorman moved to sign and send the letter as proposed removing the last sentence about burying the lines. Sue Collins seconded. Motion carries unanimously.**

#### **2015 Annual Report for Landfill & Meeting with DES**

Becky noted that Ron Guerin is speaking with Paul Rydel and others about a letter received from Tellmans about the report. They will do an onsite visit in the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of April. Becky will try and get a date.

#### **Fire Ruins Memo from Planning Board**

Becky noted that she keeps answering the same question. The answer is that the town does not have jurisdiction.

#### **Cooper Hill- Herres Property**

The culvert is plugged due to a property owner who decided to fill it. The state is not concerned about it. Greg believes it could be considered Alteration Lot Terrain and be an issue for Planning Board. Becky believes it is just a civil issue. Greg noted he could possibly stop by and look at the property.

#### **Equalization Study**

Becky noted that the town ranked better but the ratio is still not great.

#### **Rec Center**

Becky noted that the Rec Center sent her a letter stating that the town could use it's parking lot for staging during Main Street Project.

#### **Sewer Rates**

Becky noted that prior to raising the rates in 2015 they were the 7<sup>th</sup> lowest in NH. They will still be pretty low compared to others in the state when rates are increased.

#### **Public Works**

**Aldrich Road Punch List- Can be removed**

**South Main Punch List**

**South Hill Punch List**

**Weir paving damage**

**Bridge Posting**

**Landfill—Well #19 Pump needs to be fixed**

**For Signature: (The following documents were signed by the board)**

**Abatement;**

Skousen, Daniel Tax Map 233 Lot 15; 2009 \$69.36; 2010 \$65.17; 2011 \$75.09; 2012 \$70.99; 2013 \$45.84; 2014 \$34.64; 2015 \$11.58 1<sup>st</sup> issue; 2015 \$11.53 2<sup>nd</sup> issue

**Motion: Ray Gorman moved to approve the abatement for Daniel Skousen. Sue Collins seconded. Motion carries unanimously.**

Nugent, Gail \$60 4<sup>th</sup> issue 2015 water billing Tax Map 109 Lot 199

**Motion: Sue Collins moved to approve the abatement for Gail Nugent. Ray Gorman seconded. Motion carries unanimously.**

**Interagency Memorandum of Understanding SRTS**

**Motion: Sue Collins moved to approve the memorandum of understanding with the Colebrook School District for Dumont Street. Ray Gorman seconded. Motion carries unanimously.**

**NHEC Pole License East Colebrook Road**

**Motion: Ray Gorman moved to approve the NHEC Pole License. Sue Collins seconded. Motion carries unanimously.**

**MS-123 Report of Town Officials**

**Eversource Petition and Pole License, South Main Street**

**Motion: Ray Gorman moved to accept the Petition from Eversource. Sue Collins seconded. Motion carries unanimously.**

**Intent to Cut**

**Yvon Giroux Tax Map 202 Lot 29 Piper Hill**

**Correspondence:**

**Economic Revitalization Zone (ERZ) Zone Designation from Commissioner Rose  
NHEC Documents**

**Questions or comments from Public or Press**

**Motion: Sue Collins moved to enter into Executive Session citing RSA 91-A;3,II(a). Ray Gorman seconded. Roll Call Vote: Greg Placy "aye", Ray Gorman "aye", Sue Collins "aye".**

**Executive Session entered into at 7:30 pm.**

**Public Session entered into at 7:38 pm.**

**Motion: Ray Gorman moved to authorize Greg Placy to sign Becky Merrow's cost of Living raise of 3%. Sue Collins seconded. Motion carries unanimously.**

**Motion: Sue Collins moved to adjourn. Ray Gorman seconded. Motion carries unanimously.**

**Meeting adjourned at 7:43 pm.**

**Main Street Project—Financials to date**

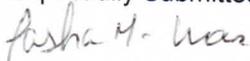
**DWSRF**

\$ 70,356.05 Rcvd 12/21/15 (Inc. \$2,750 Town) #1  
\$ 46,204.44 #2 Rcvd 3/21/2016  
\$ 24,172.52 #3 Pending

**CWSRF**

\$ 68,583.01 Rcvd 1/7/16 (Inc. \$2,230 Town) #1  
\$ 41,888.51 Rcvd 3/17/16 (Town ck # 019772)  
\$ 19,479.88 #3 Pending

Respectfully Submitted,



Sasha Uran  
Recording Clerk