

**TOWN OF HILL**  
**SELECTMEN'S MEETING**

January 19, 2021

**Selectmen Present:** Tom Seymour, Shaun Bresnahan & Lisa Seymour (Administrative Assistant)

**Selectmen Absent:** Bob Dupuis

**Public:** Joann Irving and Marsha Foden

Tom Seymour brought the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

First order of business was to make sure everyone was respecting the physical distancing and wearing masks orders issued by Governor Sununu.

**Fire Dept:** Jeff Ford came in to give a report on the Fire Department. Currently they have had only 5 calls. Four firemen have received their first COVID-19 shots and the second one is scheduled for February 1<sup>st</sup>. Jeff said that they may have another new firefighter starting soon and they will be able to do training. The trucks are all running and they are taken out once a month to Bristol just so they have a chance to run for a bit. Shaun Bresnahan asked if we had every thought about asking the NH DOT for cards which would be another way the trucks could get exercised. Thomas Seymour asked if they had purchased the radios and SCBA. The Fire Chief has purchased these items and they were not encumbered therefore they are being paid for the 2021 budget. Thomas Seymour asked Lisa Seymour to send the revised budget to the Fire Chief.

Thomas Seymour made a motion to enter into Nonpublic Session at 6:42 pm seconded by Shaun Bresnahan. Motion passed unanimously. RSA 91-A:3, II(c).

Thomas Seymour made a motion to leave nonpublic Session and return to public session at 6:46 pm seconded by Shaun Bresnahan. Motion passed unanimously. Motion was made to seal the meeting minutes. Roll call voted to seal the minutes.

**Highway Dept:** Dean Stevenson no report.

**Police Dept:** Chief Stevens no report

**Town Clerk/Tax Collector:** Shelly Henry update on the status of the 2020 seconded tax bills. The second tax billing is 92.7% collected leaving an outstanding balance due between \$89,000 to \$90,000.

**PUBLIC SESSION:**

Joann Irving is concerned that the older people in town might not be able to attend a web-based town meeting. Marsha Foden has a transmitter that we could use that will reach out to about a 5-mile radius. Marsha said that they used this for the Santa movie and meet Santa program she ran at the store and it worked very well. This runs on an open frequency on the radio. For example, they used FM 82.7. She is willing to let the town use the equipment for the Town Meeting. Thomas Seymour stated that he would check with Eric Herr the Pro -Temp.

Joann Irving asked about the grapple of wood again that is located behind the Fire Station. She is very concerned about the liability on the town because if someone gets hurt, they could

comeback on the town. She also stated that when they wanted to have a skating party with a small bonfire and they were told that they couldn't because it's a liability issue.

**BOARD BUSINESS:**

**Building Permits:**

Zbignieu Bujno Murray Hill Road Map R7 Lot 5-2 40' x 60' Metal Shed/Storage for RV and Boat  
– Approved

**Driveway Permits:**

None

**Intent to Cut Wood or Timber:**

None

**Other:**

Selectmen meeting minutes from December 15, 2020 – Not Approved

Selectmen meeting minutes from January 5, 2021 – Approved

Draft warrant articles for town report are still being developed.

Zoom webinar invoice – Thomas Seymour stated that in order to have control of the meetings that we should present the meetings as a webinar. Tom contacted Zoom to see if this feature was available. It is available and it would be an additional cost of \$1,370. Shaun Bresnahan said he thought was a good idea. Thomas Seymour made a motion to increase the Professional Service line in the Executive budget by \$1,370. Shaun Bresnahan seconded the motion. All in favor.

Thomas Seymour and Eric Herr are registered for the February 6<sup>th</sup> Town & School Moderators workshop. Topics to be covered: How to run an annual meeting during a pandemic, the basic law of Town, Village District and School District meeting and Strategies for Running a Smooth meeting.

In the Selectmen's meeting minutes dated September 19, 2017 there were complaints of ATV's ripping up Currier, Tioga and Poverty Pond Roads. At that time Shaun Bresnahan said that this is on going issue and wanted to know if the ATV club was still using the trails. The Selectmen contacted Stephen Thomson from SDS in reference to this matter. Also stated in the September 19<sup>th</sup> minutes Mike Brady met with Stephen Thomson about the issue with the ATV's and has agreed to post and close the trails comprising the triangle of Poverty Pond, Tioga and King Roads. These trails were closed for the season effective immediately. The Selectmen would like to meet with Stephen Thomson in the spring regarding the ATV trails.

Rosalie Wright sent a letter in regards to damages caused to Mildred Lindsay property. Mildred had water in her basement they think was caused by a drain across the road that had been covered up and blocked when the road crew was grading the road. Rosalie would like the Road Agent check the drain periodically when the road crew is grading or plowing the road to avoid it being blocked again. The drain is clearly marked with a No Trespassing sign across from Mildred Lindsay's property.

Dean Stevenson will be replacing the mailboxes in the spring that got damaged during the winter plowing.

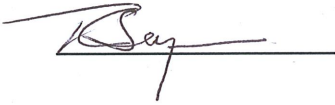
Stephen Rosen is very concerned with the parking on the Lakes Region Conservation property located on 597 Murray Hill Road and Clough Road. When they have large groups using the mountain bike trails, they are parking on the side of the road. Lisa Seymour will reach out to them to see if they could have a parking lot created.

With no further business to conduct, motion was made and unanimously approved to adjourn at 8:10 pm.

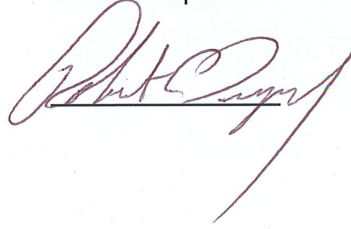
Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa A. Seymour

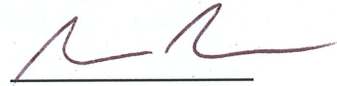
Tom Seymour, Chairman

Handwritten signature of Tom Seymour in dark ink, featuring a stylized 'T' and 'S' followed by a horizontal line.

Robert Dupuis

Handwritten signature of Robert Dupuis in dark ink, with a large, looped 'R' and 'D' followed by a horizontal line.

Shaun Bresnahan

Handwritten signature of Shaun Bresnahan in dark ink, consisting of a stylized 'S' and 'B' followed by a horizontal line.