

# TOWN OF HILL SELECTMEN'S MEETING

November 19, 2024

**Selectmen Present:** Shaun Bresnahan Chairman, Stephen Thomson, Richard Vincent & Lisa Seymour (Administrative Assistant)

**Selectmen Absent:**

**Public:** Harold Knott, Jamie Moulton, Frank Marsh, Joann Irving, Joe Guerriero, Matthew Desrochers, Joseph Sullivan, Mark Labonte, Cathy Angeley, Thomas Angeley, Gregg Paradise, Thomas Scribner, Stephen Arruda and Paula McDonough

Shaun Bresnahan brought the meeting to order at 6:41 pm.

**Highway Department:**

Gregg Paradise reported that the new tires are done on the backhoe. Gregg order safety jackets for the Transfer Station. The grader is almost ready for winter service and they will be adding a V-plow. The cold patch has been ordered.

Gregg asked about purchasing sander parts. Stephen Thomson asked if the sanders are ready and working? Gregg replied yes, I just want to make sure we have spare parts to repair them if needed. Gregg is working with Jordon Equipment on cutting edges for the plows.

Gregg is working with the school to name the snow plows and we should have that information this week. We will be having vinyl signs made and put them on the trucks. Gregg Paradise would like to see the community come together. The date for the revealing on the names will be announced after everything is done.

The equipment is in great condition for the winter and all of the trucks have been painted.

Gregg is still working with Ben Hall on the road damage at 91 Bunker Hill Road.

**Town Clerk:**

Shelly will be out the week of Thanksgiving and Karen Monahan will be covering the office.

**Fire Department:**

Chief Jamie Moulton reported that they have had 104 calls been a busy fall. Included in the calls were two forestry calls one off Poverty Pond Road on Green Acres Woodland.

Jamie is working on quotes to use the remaining monies left in the budget from 2024 he is looking into new gear, boots and upgrading at the Fire Station. If this is going to be the case, we will need PO's for encumbering funds by December 17<sup>th</sup> or the materials will need to be here before December 31<sup>st</sup>.

Jamie asked about the payroll and the Board of Selectmen asked once again for the information for his staff to be turned in by November 21<sup>st</sup> so that payroll can be issued the following Tuesday.

Fire permits – the Selectmen's Office has received complaints that they have been trying to reach the Fire Chief with no response. Jamie told the board that he had lost the town issued cell phone and that is why he hasn't responded to these requests.

Paula McDonough asked how many members to you currently have? Jamie stated 12 members. Mark LaBonte asked out of the 12 members how many can actually respond? Jamie stated 5 members.

Chief Moulton was reminded about the Purchasing Policy because he purchased over the allowable amount without contacted the chairman of the Board of Selectmen. The rescue had a flat tire and needed to be repaired and they thought it was going to be a simple plug. However, it didn't work and a new tire was purchased. Stephen Arruda provided an update on what happens when a piece of equipment is out of service. Stephen stated that when a vehicle is taken out of service, they transfer the medical supplies to another vehicle.

Stephen Thomson has set the committee meeting for December 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm. He will notify everyone with the location. The question was asked about Jamie's status and was he still just interim until March. Shaun and the selectmen stated yes, he is just the interim fire chief.

Stephen Arruda asked about the background checks and why are they necessary? Shaun stated that they are looking for a valid CDL. Currently we don't have background check policy Lisa mentioned to look at the personnel manual because there is a section on Standards of Conduct.

Lisa pointed out that the mail has not been picked up.

#### **Police Department:**

Chief Joe reported that he had 6 arrest, 32 car stops and 1 indictment in Superior Court. The Chief is continuing checking on the vacant properties in town.

Frank Marsh asked about an explores program or maybe ride with a police officer to encourage the kids to get involved.

Thomas Scribner inquired on the status of the break-ins? Joe is changing his schedule to include later night shifts to stop this activity.

Shaun Bresnahan asked about the winter tires for the cruiser? Joe is looking into this and has checked the state bid pricing.

#### **Public:**

Eric Pyra & Tony Vagliardo from Conexon which manages the NH Broadband projects for the NH Electric Coop came in to discuss the details of building the fiber network for Hill. They will be starting this build over the next coming months. They would like permission to bring this to our town. Conexon has already started reviewing the poles in Hill for this project. The Alexandria side of Hill will be the first feeder and then they will start the Webster and Bristol cabinets.

Shaun Bresnahan made a motion to move forward with fiber construction for broadband in Hill NH. Stephen Thomson seconded the motion. All in favor.

Charles Estes sent an email to be read at the selectmen's meeting addressing issues related to the water department at Selectmen's meetings. Shaun said he wasn't going to read this email since it was targeting him. Shaun asked Stephen to read it and after reading it he declined as well.

Paula asked Shaun to look at a tree that needs to be removed near her property. Paula states that it is on town property. Rick Vincent stated that the town maps are a visual of the lots and not a survey of the property so you will need to have it survived.

Tom Scribner asked what is the minimum size for a building that you wouldn't need a building permit.

**Selectmen Business:**

**Building Permit:**

Albert & Jane Moriarty Kenniston Road Map R8 Lot 20 & 21 Single home 16' x 28' 1 bedroom, 1 bath, on a slab. The application is missing the energy audit.

Shaun Bresnahan made a motion to conditional approve the building permit. Stephen Thomson seconded the motion. All in favor.

Walter & Kathryn Tyson 788 NH Route 3A Map R1 Lot 6 Gazebo 16' in diameter.

Rick Vincent made a motion to approve the building permit for a 16' diameter gazebo. Shaun Bresnahan seconded the motion. All in favor.

Brandon & Jane Parker 29 Bunker Hill Road Map R10 Lot 02-01 Reissue from approved permit 2023-29.

Stephen Thomson made a motion to reissue the building permit for one year. Shaun Bresnahan seconded the motion. All in favor.

Suzanne Cox 58 Highridge Road Map R1 Lot 07-01-4 Planning on building a 700 sq. ft. ADU over the existing 2-car garage.

Rick Vincent made a motion to approve the ADU building permit. Shaun Bresnahan seconded the motion. All in favor.

**Driveway Permits:**

None

**Yield Tax:**

Thomas Scriber 91 Bunker Hill Road Map R10 Lot 25, 26 and 27 is on hold pending a review of the stumpage harvested.

**Other:**

The total revaluation information will be available on Monday November 25 when Rod Wood is here. Rick Vincent has questions on the USPAP Cyclical Valuation. Lisa will post a meeting on Monday at 2:00 pm.

Maps that have been updated by Avitar for approval. Shaun said he found some minor changes.

Byron's Septic Service completed the work over veteran's day and the septic system is working fine. They suggested that we don't have heavy equipment on the septic area.

2025 Revenues review for budget this will be discussed at the next budget workshop.

Shaun Bresnahan inquired about the timber tax on the State Forest that was completed by Sharp Enterprise? Lisa explained that we need to change the signers for the account since Frank Razzaboni left. Shaun asked Lisa to write a letter stating to remove Frank Razzaboni and add Stephen Thomson as a co-signer on the account.

Because they are not moving forward with the software purchase, we will need to return the donation from the Hill Fire Association.

Shaun Bresnahan made a motion to return the \$500 to the Hill Fire Association. Stephen Thomson seconded the motion. All in favor.

Keith McLeod Murray Hill Road send a follow up on building permit

Update on Shop Road as of 11-18-2024. The Ciani have sold land to Linda Smith but will need a surveyor to deed the property to her. The septic design has been approved through NHDES.

Gift Card distribution program. Lisa will contact Brian to deliver the gift cards through the school and the Selectmen will deliver the remaining cards.

The Giving Tree we are currently waiting for the list.

Mobile Home at the Hill Church send a letter stating the zoning ordinances

13 Quimby Road Camper send a letter stating the zoning ordinances

Need to order W2's \$84.99 and Check Stock \$425.00

Shaun Bresnahan made a motion to purchase W2's and Check Stock in the amount of \$510 for payroll. Stephen Thomson seconded the motion. All in favor.

Gravel Permit for Morrison on hold.

Shaun Bresnahan made a motion to enter into Nonpublic Session at 9:05 pm seconded by Richard Vincent. Motion passed (RSA 91-A:3, II (c))

Shaun Bresnahan made a motion to leave nonpublic Session and return to public session at 9:25 pm seconded by Richard Vincent. Motion passed. Motion made to seal the minutes. All in favor

With no further business to conduct, Richard Vincent made the motion to adjourn the meeting and Shaun Bresnahan seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously motion at 9:37 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Seymour

Shaun Bresnahan, Chair

Stephen Thomson

Richard Vincent

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