TOWN OF HILL SELECTMEN'S MEETING

April 01, 2025

Selectmen Present: Shaun Bresnahan, Richard Vincent

Selectmen Absent: Stephen Thomson Chairman,

Public: Harold Knot. Paula McDonough, Tom Seymour, Nate Mills, Tom & Kathy Angeley, Mark LaBonte, Steve Arruda, Matt Desrochers, Tom Scribner, Maryann Moses, Bob Schulte, Paul Guild and Bruce Blazon.

Shaun brought the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Minutes from 2/11/25 meeting were reviewed and several changes were made. Shaun made a motion to approve minutes as amended; Rick seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously 2-0

Minuets from 3/18/25 meeting were reviewed; no changes. Rick made a motion to approve minuets as submitted; Shaun seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously 2-0

Departments

Highway: No one from Highway.

Town Clerk/Tax Collector:

Shelly submitted PO for postage paid envelopes for upcoming tax bill mailing. PO is for \$1,750.95. Shaun made a motion to approve PO for \$1,750.95; Rick seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously 2-0.

Shelly will begin the deeding process on 6/1/25; the list of delinquent property taxes will be submitted to Selectmen's office soon.

Building Permit:

Ed & Helen Goodreau 166 Lynch Road Map R4 Lot 24 for a 20 x20 screened porch, 3 dormers and front porch covered entryway. Permit is reviewed; Rick makes a motion to approve building permit; Shaun seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously 2-0.

Selectmen Business

Reviewed Bellmore proposal for cleaning catch basins. With on one from Highway Department present this is tabled.

Shaun asked Matt Desrochers if the Town Hall AED has been returned. It has and the Fire Department AED's have been replenished with fresh pads.

Reviewed the job opening notices for Road Agent and Fire Chief; they are approved and Shaun will work on getting them posted in the Laconia Daily Sun, NHMA, Town Web Site and Lakes Region Mutual Aid. Closing date will be 4/21/25.

Shaun followed up with Matt Desrochers regarding attorney looking for info stemming from a call in January or 2022. There have been multiple attempts by the attorney and Shaun has made several attempts to bring this to Chief Moulton's attention. Matt will look into it.

Discussion regarding SB297 and its impacts on providing Health Coverage for town employees. It has passed the Senate and is in the House. If this passes in the House Health Trust has said they will get out of the Health Insurance business in NH.

Update on Police Chief position; need to meet with all three selectmen to work on Schedule. Bob Schulte and Tom Angeley will volunteer to be on the interview committee.

Other:

Paula McDonough asked when the road sand will be cleaned up? This will be done later this month when we feel comfortable there will be no more snow.

Bob Schulte is also concerned with the amount of sand that is on the sidewalks. Shaun said this will be discussed with the highway crew.

Paula asked if there was money to hire someone to sweep the sand and get it off the sidewalks? Shaun said there isn't any budgeted; we could discuss this further with Highway Dept.

Tom Seymour reviewed several proposed legislation bill that are moving through the house and senate that will alter the zoning ordinances in every town. From lower lot sizes to larger ADU's and more acceptance of mobile homes.

Tom Seymour has also noticed that the Selectmen's office has caught up on minutes many boards and committees have not done so. Some haven't posted minutes in more than a year. He recommends the Selectmen sending a reminder of the 91a obligations that boards and committees have to make their minutes available.

Nate Mills asked about the status of the interim Fire Chief position. Shaun replied it expired on 3/18. The two Lieutenants will keep things working. We are in the hiring process. They can work with the Selectmen's office to make purchases. Nate asked what powers a Budget Committee member has? Shaun replied they have none as individuals. The Budget Committee has some powers but they have to used with a majority approval of the committee.

Maryann Moses asked if the hose doors on E2 have been fixed? She has offered to have their Auto Body Shop weld the new lift cylinders when they come in.

Bob Schulte would like to resurrect the sidewalk issue. We need to save the money so we have money to match State Funds so we can replace the sidewalks in the village. He would like to see a committee formed to look into this further.

Tom Scribner would like to be nominated for the open water commissioner position. Shaun replied that we need to find out from Tony Cartier what his intentions are for his position. If he is not going to serve another term then we will need to fill position.

Mark LaBonte asked about the final qualifications for the Fire Chief Position. Shaun read them to the public.

Bruce Blazon asked what the results of the Budget Committee runoff was. The 6 candidates' names were placed in a bowl and a name was drawn. The individual doesn't wish to serve so the Budget Committee can fill it in the fall.

At 7:55 PM Rick Vincent made a motion to adjourn; Shaun seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously 2-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Shaun Bresnahan

Stephen Thomson, Chair

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Richard Vincent