

Alexandria Selectmen's Meeting Minutes

April 4, 2017

- **Members Present:** George Tuthill, Chet Caron and Robert Piehler
- The meeting came to order at 6:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- The minutes of the March 21, 2017 meeting were approved.
- **Items Reviewed and Signed**
 - Notice of Intent to Excavate: Map 420 Lot 29 Newport Sand & Gravel
 - Notice of Intent to Excavate: Map 411 Lot 132-2 William & Ann Hall
 - MS-60A Auditor Option and Schedule
 - Hansen Bridge contract: Knowles Hill Road Bridge
 - 2017 Fire Warden Appointments
 - Abatement Response: Map 412 Lot 48 Peter Todd
 - Abatement Response: Map 202 Lot 13 Scott Robinson
 - Abatement Response: Map 999 Lot D Eversource Energy
 - Abatement Response: Map 999 Lot E Northern New England Telephone Operations
 - Credit Application: Tax Exempt Leasing Corp for SCBA units
 - Credit Application: Ford Credit (New Highway Department Truck)
 - Current Use Application: Map 407 Lot 100 Stephen Brown
 - CU-12 Summary of Forest Stewardship Plan: Map 404 Lot 21
 - PA-29 Permanent Application for Property Tax Credit/Exemptions: Map 406 Lot 53
 - Letter: Follansbee Cove yard waste
- **Items Held for Further Review:**
 - Building Permit: Phelps Map 411 Lot 184
 - Concerns were discussed regarding the results of failure of the warrant article this year to properly adopt the building permit ordinance and whether a building permit is actually required. There was discussion regarding establishing a process to require a notification of intent to build.
- **Department Heads/Commissions**
 - Michael Provost, Health Officer
 - Mr. Provost provided an update on the status of the cleanup at 608 Welton Falls Road; Mr. Provost will be sending a letter to the property owners specifying a date for inspection of the property.
 - Jeff Cantara, Road Agent
 - Mr. Cantara provided an update on road conditions and highway department operations.
 - Mr. Cantara expressed his concerns regarding the budget planning process.
 - There was discussion regarding the work to be on the Knowles Hill Road Bridge. William Hall expressed his opinion that the bridge should be moved to a different location to straighten the road; the new bridge will be going in the same location as the current bridge.
- **Business**
 - George Tuthill was appointed as the Selectboard member to the Budget Committee.
 - Chet Caron was appointed as the Selectboard representative to the Planning Board.
 - Ernie Lamos was reappointed to the Conservation Commission.
 - The Selectmen discussed a letter from Vincent Paul Migliore regarding his request to not hold a special election for the vacated NH House seat in Grafton County District 9. There was discussion regarding the cost of holding a special election and possibly a primary for the special election. The Selectmen were in agreement to not hold a special election.
 - There was discussion regarding the ratification of the voting done in March due to concerns about the voting day being postponed. An initial bill did not pass at the state level to ratify the votes; a new bill is being proposed to require towns to hold a special election to ratify the voting results. The Selectmen were in agreement that the decision to ratify the voting results should go through the court system.
 - There was discussion regarding a rumor that the Indeck Energy plant on Smith River Road will be closing in April and how that might impact property tax revenue.
 - Representatives from National Grid will be at the Selectmen's Meeting on May 16, 2017 to discuss their proposed changes to the powerlines. There was discussion regarding sending a letter to property owners that about the powerlines to inform them of the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 6:57 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jennifer Dostie, Administrative Assistant
