

**Town of Washington
Select Board**

Meeting Minutes

March 28, 2024, Select Board Meeting at 7:00 pm at the Town Hall.

ASSEMBLY

MEMBERS: Don Revane, Chair, Gary Kendall, Mark Florence

1.0 Visitors: Kenneth Cornell, Kevin Lawrence

2.0 Minutes: Kendall moved to approve March 21, 2024 minutes, Revane second; all voted in favor.

IMPORTANT DATES:

April 2, 2024, Planning Board Public Hearing, 6:30 pm Town Hall

April 04, 2024, Select Board meeting 9:00 am–4:00 pm, Town Hall; 7:00 pm evening meeting, Town Hall.

April 8, 2024, School Board meeting 6:00 pm Washington Elementary School

April 10, 2024, Park & Rec. meeting 5:00 pm Town Hall

April 10, 2024, Conservation Commission meeting 7:00 pm Town Hall

DID YOU KNOW?

➤ **Notice**

The month of April is time to get your dog(s) licensed

Town Clerk Hours: Thursdays – 1:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Friday- 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Last Saturday of the month, 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

The town is seeking members for the Zoning Board of Adjustment and Conservation Commission.

Contact Deb DeFosse @ 603-495-3661 for additional information.

MUD SEASON

- All streets, highways, and/or bridges in the Town are subject to being designated as limited weight and being posted as such. The Road Agent shall periodically review all street, highways and/or bridges maintained by the Town and propose posting as may be necessary. The Board of Selectmen have final authority over the posting of street, highways and/or bridges. Except as specifically provided in Section V below, it shall be unlawful for any person to operate any motor vehicle weighing more than six (6) tons on any Limited Weight Street, Highway from March 1st to May 31st **or as deemed necessary**.

3.0 BUILDING PERMITS:

3.1 Alan & Kristine Chidester Tm. # 11-39 applied for Land Use Compliance for Construction to enclose an existing 12 X 16' deck into an 11.5' X 15' 4-season porch. Also, construct an 8 X 12 deck to replace the existing deck. Revane moved to approve the building permit, and Florence second all voted in favor. Permit # 24-12.

4.0 APPOINTMENTS DURING THE DAY AND PREVIOUSLY:

4.1 Andrew Hatch and Gary Carney (Zoning Board of Adjustment) discussed the ongoing need for members and agreed on how minutes will be recorded.

4.2 Ryan Curran, John Piatt, Sam White, Scott Chausee, Rachel Richardson, and David Cheuvront discussed opening town roads for ATVs to give people access to more class V and VI roads.

4.3 Leandra Macdonald, property owner of Tm. # 15-5, Kings Street. Leandra is asking for clarification on the legal extension of Gleason Rd and if the gap between the two properties is a class VI Rd. Select board to research.

4.4 Conference call Spencer Tate from Meridian clarifying how the road measurement should be calculated. Re: Tm. # 15-51, Stratton.

5.0 DEPARTMENT HEADS AND EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENTS:

5.1 Ed Thayer (DPW)

5.1.1 Picked up the skid steer and found and purchased forks.

5.1.2 We will remove some mud signs, such as East Washington Road.

5.1.3 Updated the board that Aaron Wechsler will submit a plan for the Valley Road culvert to Department of Environmental Services.

5.2 Shawn Atkins (fire chief)

5.2.1 Submitted weekly calls and monthly meeting minutes

5.2.2 Reviewed per-diem shift scheduling and the hours voted from the 2022 Town Meeting.

6.0 PUBLIC:

6.1 Kevin Lawrence updated the board with cemetery cremation digging (hiring Crestwood Landscaping), will start doing some tree work with assistance from the highway department, and will begin cleaning headstones once weather permits.

7.0 COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED:

7.1 Curtin Law Office, Re: Department of Revenue Administration Inventory of Property Transfer Tm. # 24-129.

7.2 New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration Inventory of Property, Tm. # 12/16

7.3 NH Department of Environmental Service, Re: Notice of Inspection, 1927 Valley Rd. Tm# 25-91.

7.4 Northeast Door Corporation provided a quote for adding an ADA low-energy automatic operator unit at the Shedd Free Library.

7.5 Property owner submitted a request to use Camp Morgan Lodge on May 4, 2024. Tabled

7.6 Donation received in the amount of \$100.00 to the Young Meehan Trust. Kendall moved to approve the donation, and Revane second all voted in favor.

8.0 OLD BUSINESS:

9.0 NEW BUSINESS:

9.1 Kendall moved to approve \$4,000.00 from the Highway Capital Reserve Fund, \$2,500.00 from the Food Pantry Capital Reserve Fund, \$12,165.00 from the Bridge Capital Reserve Fund, and \$45,000.00 from the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. Florence second; all voted in favor.

10.0 EXPENDITURES:

10.1 The Select Board authorized payroll checks for \$ 16,872.88 and vendor checks for \$36,808.83 for March 29, 2024.

11.0 ADJOURNMENT:

11.1 Revane moved to adjourn at 7:40 pm, Kendall second. All voted in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Deborah DeFosse