

TOWN OF BENNINGTON

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Minutes of the Meeting – April 4, 2018

Selectmen James Cleary, Mark Mackesy and David Hardwick Sr. were present as well as Administrator Denise French. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Road Agent Gary Russell met with the Selectmen and discussed the following:

- Staff will be repairing a hydraulic cooler leak on the backhoe; parts are \$1,628.
- Consensual agreement that the Town will benefit from purchasing a used 40' container for tire storage at an estimated purchase cost of \$2,800 - \$2,900.
- Household Hazardous Waste Collection, May 12 at the Hillsborough-Deering Middle School. All agreed that the Town should process a bulk mailing to notify all residents of this important annual event.
- Approved Gary's request for two consecutive weeks of vacation.
- Road maintenance plans include paving Eaton Avenue, Acre Street, Starrett Road, lower section of Pierce Hill Road and Dodge Road. Drainage maintenance plans include expansion of Gillis Hill Road culverts and three culverts near 297 North Bennington Road. Improvements to the failing Mountain Road culvert will also be addressed this year.
- Installation of replacement security cameras at the Highway Department/Transfer Station is nearing completion.
- Spring plans include creation of an Acre Street parking area at Town Hall and improvement of the Antrim Road/Bible Hill Road intersection's landscape.
- Conceptual ideas for replacing an aged hot water tank at the Highway Garage. Also discussed was acquisition of a used steam cleaner to clean the Highway Department equipment.

From 6:52 p.m. until 6:58 the Selectmen met in Nonpublic Session under RSA 91-A:3II(b). Selectman Cleary made a motion to enter into Nonpublic Session; seconded by Selectman Mackesy. Selectmen Mackesy, Cleary and Hardwick each voted to enter into the Nonpublic Session. Also present during the Nonpublic Session was Administrator French, Fire Chiefs David Foster, Matthew Hall and Keith Nason as well as Rescue Captain Jason Powers. The group generally discussed a denied employment application. No decisions were made. Selectman Cleary made a motion to reconvene the public session; seconded by Selectman Mackesy. Selectmen Cleary, Mackesy and Hardwick voted to reconvene the public meeting at 6:58 p.m.

From 6:59 p.m. until 7:33 the Selectmen met in Nonpublic Session under RSA 91-A:3II(a). Selectman Cleary made a motion to enter into Nonpublic Session; seconded by Selectman Mackesy. Selectmen Mackesy, Cleary and Hardwick each voted to enter into the Nonpublic Session. Also present during the Nonpublic Session was Administrator French, Fire Chiefs David Foster, Matthew Hall and Keith Nason as well as Rescue Captain Jason Powers. The group discussed a lingering employment matter. No decisions were made. Selectman Cleary made a motion to reconvene the public session; seconded by Selectman Mackesy. Selectmen Cleary, Mackesy and Hardwick voted to reconvene the public meeting at 7:33 p.m.

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The Selectmen acted on the following matters:

- Reviewed and approved the Board's March 28, 2018 Minutes as well as the April 5, 2018 Payroll Register.
- Approved a Sign Permit for M11/L16
- Chairman Cleary signed a revised signature page of the AMP Grant Agreement

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by,

Denise French  
Administrator