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**Board of Selectmen
1 October 2012
Minutes**

6:00 pm - Chairman Rachel Hatch called the meeting to order. Present were Chairman Hatch, Selectmen Ralph Lavin and Brett Currier, Town Administrator Tim Warren and Clerk Lois Dionne.

After attendance everyone stood for the “Pledge of Allegiance”.

6:02 pm – Selectman Lavin moved to enter into Non-Public Session per RSA 91-A:3, II(b) - Consideration of the hiring of a public employee. Selectman Currier seconded. Motion passed 3-0. – Chairman Hatch-yes, Selectman Lavin-yes, Selectman Currier-yes.

The Selectmen discussed the finalists for the equipment operator position.

6:20 pm – Selectman Lavin moved to come out of Non-Public Session. Selectman Currier seconded. Motion passed 3-0. – Chairman Hatch-yes, Selectman Lavin-yes, Selectman Currier-yes.

Highway Dept. Budget – The Selectmen reviewed the highway department budget request with Road Agent Paul Perkins.

He asked for increases in diesel fuel and repairs on the six-wheeler.

There was discussion on the way and time of year that the sand is ordered. It was suggested that the sand go out for company-specific bids in June or July next year.

Paul also plans to submit a warrant article for a new 10’ hydraulic sander. There is money in the capital reserve account.

Bingham Road – Tim said he had spoken with Mr. Thomasian about the 2’ wide gravel shoulder that was recommended be put down on Bingham Road. Mr. Thomasian is agreeable to the Town paying \$2,000 toward the cost of the shoulder, and he would pay the rest.

The Selectmen agreed that the rest of the money in the account for Bingham Road should be released after the completion of the shoulder.

Tim asked Paul if, now that the road is paved, he would be willing to plow it this winter. Paul replied that he couldn't plow the road until the town has accepted it. He said the road has to be put on the ballot to have it accepted.

Selectman Currier felt that if a road has been built to a class V standard and meets the requirements that the planning board had given for the subdivision, it should be accepted, and not have to go before a town vote.

7:02 pm – Selectman Lavin moved to enter into Non-Public Session per RSA 91-A:3, II(b)- Consideration of the hiring of a public employee. Selectman Currier seconded. Motion passed 3-0. – Chairman Hatch-yes, Selectman Lavin-yes, Selectman Currier-yes.

The Selectmen and the road agent discussed the finalists for the equipment operator position.

7:30 pm – Selectman Lavin moved to come out of Non-Public Session. Selectman Currier seconded. Motion passed 3-0. – Chairman Hatch-yes, Selectman Lavin-yes, Selectman Currier-yes.

Motion – Selectman Lavin moved to hire Scott Gagne as equipment operator for the Gilmanston Highway Department effective October 22, 2012 upon the successful completion of a background check. Selectman Currier seconded. Motion passed 3-0. – Chairman Hatch-yes, Selectman Lavin-yes, Selectman Currier-yes.

7:30 pm – Break

7:35 pm – Back in Session

Recycling Budget – The Selectmen reviewed the recycling budget request with Recycling Manager Justin Leavitt.

Diesel and hauling fees are up.

Justin said recycling center doesn't use a lot of diesel, but the corners fire department uses fuel from their pumps.

There was a brief discussion of the diesel fuel. It was felt that Justin should use off road diesel fuel, which is cheaper, and that the fire department should get their own pump, and they need the on road diesel. Tim will speak with the fire chief about getting a pump.

There was also a discussion about the Town supplying steel-toed shoes for recycling center employees. Currently they are allowed one pair a year. It was suggested that the Town could supply the initial pair, and the employees buy any additional ones they might need. It will be discussed further.

Justin was asked to get a price on a new glass crusher.

Recycling Income & Expenses

Chargeable items for September brought in \$1,788.50.

Electronics & C&D year-to-date has cost us approximately \$12,000 to dispose of. We have also received approximately \$12,000 year-to-date for chargeable items.

Property Damage – Selectman Lavin said residents across the street from the recycling center have complained to him that people are showing up early on the weekends waiting for the recycling center to open, and have been parking on the side of the street and damaging their property. He asked what could be done about it so that people waiting are not parking on resident's property.

There was a brief discussion, and it was said the residents could put up "No Parking" signs, but they couldn't stop people from stopping in the right of way at the edge of the road.

Waste Oil Collection Grant – Tim informed the Selectmen that Justin would like to apply for a NH waste-oil-collection grant that would help pay for the yearly maintenance on the waste-oil furnace. Tim needs permission to sign the grant.

MOTION – Selectman Lavin moved to allow Tim Warren to sign the waste-oil-collection grant application. Selectman Currier seconded. Motion passed 3-0. – Chairman Hatch-yes, Selectman Lavin-yes, Selectman Currier-yes.

Planning Board Work Session – Selectman Lavin had a copy of the notice of the upcoming Planning Board work session. He said the notice just informs the zoning board and the conservation board of the meeting, but at the planning board meeting it was specifically asked to invite them to attend the meeting. Selectman Lavin asked Tim if he would ask Desiree to retype the notice inviting the two boards to attend the meeting.

Approval of Minutes – MOTION - Selectman Lavin moved to accept the minutes of September 24, 2012 as drafted. Selectman Currier seconded. Motion passed 3-0. – Chairman Hatch-yes, Selectman Lavin-yes, Selectman Currier-yes.

New England Painted Horse Trail Ride will take place on Saturday, October 6, 2012 from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm (rain date October 7). This is an annual ride that takes place at Camp Bell and riders will be on trails and roads in the Gilmanton and Alton areas. A

copy of this letter giving details of the ride was also sent to the Police and Fire Departments.

Cameras-Recycling Center – There was a very brief conversation about replacing the security cameras at the recycling center. It will be discussed further next week.

Officer Fiske Resignation – Chairman Hatch read a letter of resignation from Officer Stacie Fiske effective October 14, 2012. She will be leaving the police department to accept the position of Deputy Sheriff with the Merrimack County Sheriff's office.

MOTION – Selectman Lavin moved to accept, with regret, the resignation of Officer Stacie Fiske from the Gilmanton Police Department effective October 14, 2012. Selectman Currier seconded. Motion passed 3-0. – Chairman Hatch-yes, Selectman Lavin-yes- Selectman Currier-yes.

8:40 pm – Selectman Lavin moved to enter into Non-Public Session per RSA 91-A:3,

II(a) - Dismissal, promotion or setting compensation for public employees or the investigation of any charges against him, unless the employee affected has a right to a meeting or requests that the meeting be open, in which case the request shall be granted. Selectman Currier seconded. Motion passed 3-0. – Chairman Hatch-yes, Selectman Lavin-yes, Selectman Currier-yes.

The Selectmen discussed a personnel issue.

8:42 pm – Selectman Lavin moved to come out of Non-Public Session. Selectman Currier seconded. Motion passed 3-0. – Chairman Hatch-yes, Selectman Lavin-yes, Selectman Currier-yes.

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II(c) - Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person unless such person requests an open meeting; however, this cannot be used to protect a person who is a member of your Board, Committee or Subcommittee. Selectman Currier seconded. Motion passed 3-0. – Chairman Hatch-yes, Selectman Lavin-yes, Selectman Currier-yes.

The Selectmen discussed a tax issue.

9:13 pm – Selectman Lavin moved to come out of Non-Public Session. Selectman Currier seconded. Motion passed 3-0. – Chairman Hatch-yes, Selectman Lavin-yes, Selectman Currier-yes.

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9:13 pm – MOTION – Selectman Lavin moved to adjourn the meeting. Selectman Currier seconded. Motion passed 3-0. – Chairman Hatch-yes, Selectman Lavin-yes, Selectman Currier-Yes.

Respectfully submitted,

Lois Dionne
Recording Clerk