

MINUTES OF THE MAY 22, 2017 BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING

MEMBER'S PRESENT: Board Members Michael Houghton, Joe Lovejoy and Bruno Federico and Town Administrator Paul Deschaine.

At 7:32 Chairman Federico opened the general meeting of the Board of Selectmen.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Mr. Houghton moved to approve the minutes of 5/1, 5/8 and 5/15 as amended. Mr. Federico seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Town Treasurer Deb Bronson indicated that the current fund balance was \$2,723,878.23.

RECREATION DEPARTMENT:

Parks Director Seth Hickey gave an update on the waterline replacement and other projects at the Park. He continued that he was requesting \$2518.25 to pay for installation of bathroom hand dryers.

Mr. Federico moved to approve the request. Mr. Houghton seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Mr. Hickey reviewed recent events at the park. Mr. Hickey and the Board had a lengthy conversation about renovations to the baseball field. They decided to not take any action until after the fair.

Mr. Hickey indicated that they had volunteers from Liberty Mutual for the past couple weeks and discussed the projects that were accomplished.

Mr. Hickey indicated that there was damage to the soccer field by Exeter Youth Soccer because the field was too wet. He continued that they would be responsible for paying for the damage to be fixed.

Mr. Hickey stated that the sponsorship banner would be hung up in the next few days. Mr. Hickey discussed youth sports.

Mr. Hickey noted that he wishes to extend an offer to John Dodge as the assistant park ranger and would like him to start June 6th at a rate of \$15.15 per hour for 30 hours per week. Mr. Houghton moved and Mr. Lovejoy seconded a motion to approve hiring Mr. Dodge at the aforementioned hourly rate. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Hickey went over a spreadsheet showing his recommendations for hiring summer staff.

Mr. Lovejoy moved to approve the summer staff recommendations. Mr. Federico seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Mr. Hickey outlined how he wishes to manage Eagle Scout projects in the future.

Mr. Hickey discussed the upcoming events at the Park. He continued to discuss who would be responsible for town rental properties.

MEETINGS: The Chair then reviewed the meetings scheduled for the coming week and reviewed the meetings held this past week.

RESERVATIONS:

Kathy Lohndorf requested use of the Front Pavilion on 6/24 for a graduation party.

Stan Walker requested use of the 4H Pavilion on 9/24 for a reunion and requested that the fee be waived.

Mr. Federico moved to approve the request and waive the fee. Mr. Lovejoy seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Colin Burke requested use of the Front Pavilion on 6/19 for the CMS field day and lunch and requested that the fee be waived.

Mr. Federico moved to approve the request and waive the fee. Mr. Lovejoy seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Officer Kevin O'Neil requested use of the Scamman Pavilion on 6/2 for the home school field day and requested that the fee be waived.

Mr. Federico moved to approve the request and waive the fee. Mr. Houghton seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Lisa Semprini requested use of the 4H Pavilion on 8/20 for a family reunion.

All reservation requests were approved.

ADMINISTRATION:

Mr. Deschaine indicated that he found a statute which would require the HVAC system maintenance, currently contracted to Dowling HVAC, to go out for bid next year due to Mr. Houghton's involvement with the company.

Mr. Deschaine explained a new NH House Bill that would allow for a property tax exemption or credit. He continued that the wording of how this would work was very vague, and we need to be careful if a recommendation is made to go forward with implementing this.

Mr. Deschaine stated that the fee for the annual maintenance agreement for the GIS online system is \$2400.

Mr. Federico moved to accept the proposal as presented. Mr. Lovejoy seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Mr. Deschaine noted that Lee Paladino has tendered a resignation from the Planning Board and that Marty Wool and Rob Roseen both have completed applications in to fill the position.

Mr. Lovejoy moved to accept the resignation from Lee Paladino. Mr. Houghton seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Mr. Lovejoy moved to appoint Marty Wool as an alternate member to the Planning Board. The Board discussed the motion and decided to table it until after they spoke in non-public.

Mr. Deschaine indicated that Denise Lemire was willing to work extra hours during Tracy Cutler's absence, and has requested three additional vacation days.

Mr. Federico moved to allow for the temporary position for Denise Lemire from June 26th through July 18th and to allow her three additional vacation days. Mr. Lovejoy seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Mr. Deschaine discussed the social media policy he has drafted. He asked the Board to provide feedback on it.

Mr. Deschaine stated that he may be taking vacation May 30th and 31st.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Federico moved to approve the raffle permit request from the Rockingham Rooster 4H Club. Mr. Houghton seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

At 9:49 PM Mr. Federico moved to go into non-public session to discuss a matter that could affect the reputation of another. Mr. Lovejoy seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

At 10:09 Mr. Federico moved to come out of non-public session and seal the minutes. Mr. Houghton seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Mr. Lovejoy withdrew his motion to appoint Marty Wool to the Planning Board.

At 10:10 PM Mr. Federico moved to adjourn. Mr. Houghton seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Ashley Rodier, Recording Secretary