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SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES

March 2, 2020

The Meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Chairman Pitt. Present were Selectman Paight, Selectman Nelson, Ellen Smith, Town Administrator, Chief Lyons and Scott Filimonov, Plumbing Inspector.

Chairman Pitt began by saying that she received a call from a concerned citizen about the barrier erected along the guardrail on Roxbury Road and the weight of the blocks. The concern was passed on to DuBois & King. The Chief was then asked if he had received any complaints, he has not.

Next, the Chief was asked for an update on the investigation at the trailer park. Mr. Filimonov started explaining issues he has been seeing at the park. Chairman Pitt directed her question to the Chief, again, asking for a status on the investigation, as the investigation targeting only one of the mobile homes. Last time the Chief met with the Board, he directed that there not be any contact with the park residents or the park management. He further clarified that the contact be limited to 23 Mountain Drive. This evening, the Chief seemed to not follow or acknowledge that there was an investigation. TA Smith then read an email she received from the Chief on January 24, 2020 that said "I just met with Scott Filimonov and Aaron Warkentien/State of NH DOS mechanical safety inspector. Aaron has agreed investigate this case with Scott, Cliff and Ham's assistance. Once their investigation is complete, they will turn over their findings to me to bring forth charges."

Chief Manning joined the meeting at 6:50 pm.

The Board asked Mr. Filimonov if he has written any violations or if he has a list of violations. There was no clear answer. TA Smith will forward templates for his use.

Chief Manning was in to discuss the fire at Adventure Limousine on Friday. The group had concerns that if the wind was blowing the other way that the motel could have burned as well. The Board has been concerned as to what, if any, life safety measures are in place at the motel. The Town has had no reason to enter the premises. Chief Manning suggested that the Town try and determine what it is they are operating. Is it a motel, apartments, boarding house? Perhaps there are specific inspections required depending on how it is operating. There is a building permit open for the replacement of the roof on the motel. Perhaps that is a way to see if there are safety precautions in place. Chief Manning said he would talk to the State Fire Marshall's Office but he does not believe that he has any authority to enter for a life safety inspection.

Chief Manning left the meeting at 7:45 pm.

Chief Lyons was asked if he had a civilian with him at the fire. He answered yes, David Durocher periodically rides with him. The Chief was asked if he remembered the policies adopted last year? #5 specifies that this type of transport should be authorized by both the Chief and the Board of Selectmen. After reading the policy the Chief said "I guess you will have to write me up". The Chief stated he would have to update the forms for a ride along. The Board agreed that he should do that. The Chief then said that he wanted to file a formal complaint against the Director of Public Works for the way he responded to the fire on Friday. The Chief claimed Mr. Cashman was going well over the speed limit in a town vehicle.

Chairman Pitt continued with her questions asking about the holiday the Chief took last Thursday. The Chief explained that he worked the President's Day holiday and took off last Thursday. Chairman Pitt went on to say that the issue was not that he took the day the issue was that policy #6 expects the Chief to minimize the use of the New Hampshire State Police. He was asked if he thought about the coverage or if there was a way he could have taken the day when Sgt. Byam was working. The Chief said that coverage is provided as the budget allows. Again, the Chief was asked if it would be possible to schedule time off that would minimize the use of NHSP.

The conversation shifted back to the Chief's complaint about the Director of Public Works. He said that the town truck was going around 60 mph on Webb Depot Road when responding to the fire. He asked why a highway truck was running code? The Board said they would discuss this with Mr. Cashman.

Discussion shifted back to the issues at the trailer park and the Chief's directive in an email to TA Smith dated January 24, 2020 saying "Please do not correspond with park management or residents there at this time". This was later clarified at the January 27, 2020 Board of Selectmen's meeting in which the Chief clarified that the directive only applied to 23 Mountain Drive. The Chief then went on to say that he has no issues with the Board doing anything at the trailer park, even 23 Mountain Drive. The Board told the Chief that the Selectmen will not be doing anything on 23 Mountain Drive until they hear back from Mr. Filimonov and the Chief. They were asked to put a plan together as well as a list of all the known violations.

At 8:05 pm, Mr. Filimonov and the Chief left the meeting.

The Board reviewed and supports the goals of the Solarize Monadnock 2020 group provided in an email dated February 26, 2020.

Selectman Paight moved and Selectman Nelson seconded a motion to approve the March 5, 2020 Accounts Payable Register in the amount of \$24,349.17, Payroll Check Register in the amount of \$859.78 and the Direct Deposit Register in the amount of \$8,618.93, vote to approve was unanimous.

The Board made the following decisions as to who would motion each article at Town Meeting:

WA #	Move	Second	Discuss
2	Selectman Nelson	Selectman Paight	Selectman Nelson
3	Chairman Pitt	Selectman Nelson	Chairman Pitt
4	Selectman Paight	Chairman Pitt	Selectman Paight
5	Selectman Nelson	Selectman Paight	John Manning
6	Chairman Pitt	Selectman Paight	Chairman Pitt
7	Selectman Nelson	Selectman Paight	Selectman Nelson
8	Selectman Paight	Chairman Pitt	Selectman Paight
9	Selectman Paight	Selectman Nelson	Selectman Paight
10	Selectman Nelson	Chairman Pitt	Selectman Nelson
11	Chairman Pitt	Selectman Paight	Chairman Pitt
12	Chairman Pitt	Selectman Nelson	Chairman Pitt
13	Chairman Pitt	Selectman Paight	TA Smith
14			Marge Shepardson
15	Selectman Paight	Chairman Pitt	Selectman Paight

Selectman Paight moved and Selectman Nelson seconded a motion to approve the meeting minutes of February 18, 2020, February 21, 2020 and February 24, 2020, vote to approve was unanimous.

The following items were signed:

- Electrical permit application – Map 13-091
- Veteran’s Credit recertification and Blind Exemption to be granted – Map 11-042
- Veteran’s Credit recertification – Map 03-015

There will be no meeting on Monday, March 9, 2020 but the Board will be at the Marlborough School on Tuesday, March 10, 2020 for voting and Town Meeting and will conduct business if necessary.

Chairman Pitt moved and Selectman Nelson seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 pm, vote to adjourn was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen Smith
Town Administrator