



Albany Selectmen’s Meeting Minutes

Albany, New Hampshire January 9, 2019

Call to Order: At 5:03 p.m., Chairman Hiland called the Selectmen’s meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Attendance:

Members present: Rick Hiland and Joe Ferris. Cathy Ryan-excused.
 Town Administrator: Kathy Golding
 Public: None

New Business:

- **Approval of the January 2 minutes:** *Chairman Hiland made a motion to table the January 2 minutes until Selectperson Ryan was present, Selectman Ferris seconded the motion and all were in favor (2-0-0)*
- **Approval of consent file:** *Selectman Ferris made a motion to approve the consent file as presented, Chairman Hiland seconded the motion and all were in favor (2-0-0).*

Signed payroll checks and vouchers	\$884.64
Approved accounts payable invoices	\$4,618.27
Reviewed & signed previously approved accounts payable & issued checks	\$3,406.62
Reviewed & approve two pistol permits	
Reviewed notice of decision	Fairpoint appeal court case

- **Discuss Historical Society meeting:** The former members of the Historical Society have been contacted to attend a meeting on Saturday, January 19 at 10:00 a.m. There will be a discussion on which direction the Society is going. Anyone and everyone is encouraged to attend the meeting. A public notice will be placed in the paper, on the town office door, on the website and in the town column.

- **Discuss legal action on Moulton property:** Chairman Hiland will be speaking with Town Counsel tomorrow regarding the Moulton property, Cersosimo Lumber and health insurance funding. He thinks court action on the Moulton property should be pursued. Selectman Ferris agreed. No decisions will be made until next week, when Selectperson Ryan is present. *Chairman Hiland made a motion to table the court action decision until next week, Selectman Ferris seconded the motion and all were in favor (2-0-0).*

Town Administrator Report:

The Assessor has submitted two Land Use Change Taxes. They will be processed and entered into the tax program. The Selectmen may then sign a warrant to direct the Tax Collector to collect the taxes. The Assessor is working on a third one and he will submit his contract for review shortly.

The annual audit is scheduled for April 9.

A representative from Schoolcare is scheduled to meet with the Select Board on January 23, weather permitting. Tentatively, on the same day, a representative from Healthtrust will meet with the Select Board to discuss health insurance options.

Tom, ComputerPort came to the office and will submit a quote for new computers for the Selectmen's office as well as the Town Clerk/Tax Collector's office. He will also add new security hardware to the quote. The current Town Clerk office computer will be moved into the proposed Treasurer's office. Selectman Ferris suggested with the low cost of computers these days, it may be cost effective to put a new computer into the Treasurer's office.

Lewis Grimm, Eastern Federal Lands, called the office for more information on Albany's application for FLAP funding. NHDOT's estimate of the cost of phase I of the repair to Passaconaway Rd. came in twice the amount as projected by HEB Engineers. They asked for a more detailed cost of construction so they may do a comparison. The Town Administrator has contacted Josh McAllister of HEB and is awaiting a reply.

APPOINTMENTS: None

Old Business:

- Emergency Management/Operations Plan – January 22 at 5:30 pm & January 28 at 6 pm.

- Town Hall – building & parking lot maintenance – waiting for additional quotes
- State Bridge Aid – application filed and received by NHDOT – waiting
- QuickBooks Pro transformation – in process
- Chapel Committee/Historical Society – meeting was cancelled due to snow.
- Security/Fire system upgrade and evaluation – waiting for additional quote
- Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) – submitted - waiting
- Federal Land Access Program (FLAP) – submitted - waiting
- Business Roundtable meeting – TBD –
- Records Retention Committee meeting– January 17 at 10 am
- Road Standards update – in process
- Winter road maintenance policy – in process.
- Cable TV contract (2021) – waiting for copy of proposed contract.
- Cersosimo Lumber – meeting in January
- Treasurer’s office – in process.
- Claim Linx – Chairman Hiland will discuss the legalities with Town Counsel tomorrow.
- NH State Surplus – in process
- North Country Council – need volunteer to serve as Albany Commissioner
- Postal rate increase – will order pre-stamped envelopes.
- Broadband meeting – a meeting to discuss broadband will be held on February 2. This initial meeting is to see how much interest there is in order to move forward.
- Town Report Dedication – no action taken.
- Selectmen’s warrant articles – no action taken.

Other Old Business: follow-ups

- Route 16 Moulton property/campground – proceed with lawsuit
- Route 16 – 2219 NH Route 16 – fire cleanup update – the cleanup is to continue and be complete soon. Chairman Hiland has been given permission by NCIC to go on the property to discuss the cleanup with the contractor.

Other Business (and Board reports):

Planning Board – Rick- a public hearing will be held on January 14 for a proposed lighting ordinance.

ESAA – Rick – Directors are currently being solicited. A letter of interest must be submitted by January 11.

Conservation Commission – Cathy – nothing to report.

School Board – Joe – a public hearing on the proposed budget will be held on February 12 at 5:30 p.m. at the Albany Town Hall.

Other: None

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**Correspondence: White Mountain Realtors “On Common Ground”
magazine**

Public Comment: None

Next Meeting: January 16 at 5 PM

Adjournment: *At 5:40 p.m., Chairman Hiland made a motion to adjourn, Selectman Ferris seconded the motion and all were in favor (2-0-0).*

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathleen Golding
Town Administrator.