

Minutes

Albany NH Selectmen's Meeting

October 16, 2013

At 4:15 p.m., the Selectmen's meeting was called to order. In attendance were Jack Rose, Kelly Robitaille and Rob Nadler. Also present was Lee Grant. The following business was conducted.

Regular Business:

- Reviewed & approved October 9 minutes-Jack made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted, Rob seconded the motion and all were in favor.
- Signed checks totaling \$2,032.28.
- Reviewed & approved one septic design.
- Reviewed & approved a vending cart permit.
- Town Administrator Report-see below

Town Administrator Report:

Kim Guptill submitted her report on the needs of the cemeteries throughout town. Kelly thought she did a great job. He especially liked how she broke the tasks down into categories ranging from priority to what she would like to see. Jack agreed saying after Kim receives quotes for the work, the Board will create a warrant article for the 2014 warrant.

Kathy received a call from a board member of the New Hampshire Municipal Association (NHMA), the former Local Government Center. The annual association dues will be increasing this year. Small towns are not paying their fair share for the use of their services. The increase will be approximately \$300.00 which is equivalent to two hours of legal counsel through the town's lawyer. Albany utilizes many services the NHMA offers, including legal services, workshops, annual publishings, etc. It would be worth the increase in order to continue using their services.

Ed Foley came to the office this week. The municipal reader board is complete and looks great. Ed said the Planning Board has started to meet on the same day as the VFW and they will be moving their meetings into the town hall in order to accommodate them.

Kathy is working to set up the website for online property tax payments. It should be ready to go for 2013 tax payments. There is no word yet as to when the tax rate will be set.

Combined Board Meeting:

Kelly has a concern for the upcoming combined board meeting to brainstorm amending the ordinances. He would like the most to come of this meeting but feels if there are so many people trying to express their views, it may get out of hand. He thinks it should be moderated so the conversations will stay on point. It would be nice to get something accomplished with everyone there and not having people go off in different directions. He likes the idea of Kim Guptill's list for the cemeteries and feels maybe that is what the combined boards should do. Categorize the list of amendments from must have to would like to do. This list should be according to the master plan currently being finalized. Rob thought the Selectmen should come up with one list. Kathy suggested each Selectmen e-mail their list to her and she will combine them and categorize them for presentation.

Kelly suggested again getting a moderator. Jack thought we should ask town moderator, Ed Alkalay. Kelly agreed saying he would keep the meeting in line. Jack also suggested the combined boards should be first in speaking until all points are exhausted then public comment may be asked for. It must be productive.

Rob mentioned the need for a noise ordinance as last night around 6 p.m., two bombs went off in the gravel pits by his house that actually shook his house. Usually it is gun fire late at night. Rob feels something should be done.

Jack asked Kathy to contact Theresa Gallagher, Planning Board secretary, to see if an agenda will be available for the combined board meeting and if so, if it could be forwarded to the Selectmen.

Miscellaneous:

Rob noted a dedication to Ray Burton will be held on November 1, at 1:30 p.m. at the new turnoff across from the Mount Washington hotel. The full donations for the monument have been received. Jack was pleased to hear this.

At 5:07 p.m., Kelly made a motion to adjourn, Rob seconded the motion and all were in favor.

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Respectfully Submitted,

Kathleen Vizard
Town Administrator

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