



Albany Selectmen's Meeting Minutes

Albany, New Hampshire May 22, 2019

Call to Order: At 5:04 p.m., Chairman Hiland called the Selectmen's meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Attendance:

Members present: Rick Hiland, Cathy Ryan and Joe Ferris
 Town Administrator: Kathy Golding (excused)
 Public: Stanley Solomon

New Business:

- **Approval of the May 15 minutes:** *Selectman Ferris made a motion to approve the May 15 minutes, Selectperson Ryan seconded the motion. Selectman Ferris made a motion to amend the May 15 minutes, Selectperson Ryan seconded the motion, both Selectman Ferris and Hiland made changes to page 3 to better define the paragraph under the heading "Health Officer report dilapidated building" and the section under correspondence regarding the complaint of possible violation on Map 3, Lot 7, with no further discussion all were in favor of the motion to amend (3-0-0). With no further discussion, the main motion to approve the May 15 minutes as amended was called to a vote by Chairman Hiland and all were in favor (3-0-0).*
- **Approval of the May 22nd consent file:** *Selectman Ferris made a motion to approve the consent file as presented, Selectperson Ryan seconded the motion and all were in favor (3-0-0).*

Sign payroll checks and vouchers	\$4,631.16
Approve accounts payable invoices	\$3,700.85
Review & sign previously approved accounts payable & issued checks	\$1,113.09
Sign letter of violation	Map 5 Lot 75
Approve one sign permit	Map 8 Lot 5

Approve two building permits	Map 1 Lot 1 Map 7 Lot 65
Approve one pistol permit	

- *Chairman Hiland made a motion to approve accounts payable and sign checks out of session on May 29 and June 5 due to our next scheduled meeting being on June 12, Selectperson Ryan seconded the motion, there was no discussion, and all were in favor (3-0-0).*

Town Administrators Report:

Huttopia is in compliance with NHDES. They have hired a water company to take care of their water well testing and reporting to NHDES for the future.

Bob Vachon, Vachon Clukay and Company is reviewing the audit and reports. Once approved, Matthew Murray will release the representation letter for the Selectmen’s review.

APPOINTMENTS: None

Old Business:

- **Treasurer’s Office** – in process
- **NH State Surplus** – in process
- **Town Hall – building & parking lot maintenance** – parking lot sealing tentatively scheduled for May 23 – due to incoming weather for May 23, the sealing was done today May 22 and is completed.
- **NH State Bridge Aid** – in process
- **Chapel Committee/Historical Society** – in process.
- **Security/Fire system upgrade** – Chairman Hiland contacted Bob at Advanced Lock and we should have the additional quote in advance of the June 12 meeting.
- **Federal Land Access Program (FLAP)** – submitted – waiting
- **Business Roundtable meeting** – TBD
- **Road Standards update** – HEB Engineering - in process
- **Cable TV contract (2021)** – in process
- **North Country Council** – need volunteer to serve as Albany Commissioner
- **Broadband Initiative meeting** – Rick & Steve have been contacted by a couple of interested parties that have shown interest in partnering with us down the road. Need more information and have future meetings with them. Lots of interest.
- **NCIC – 2219 NH Route 16** – looks to be completed – have Town Administrator contact Mr. Chapman to verify.

- **Policy for petitioned warrant articles:** Chairman Hiland has a draft in process and may be presented for review and comment at the June 12 meeting - no action taken.
- **Route 16 Moulton property** – in process
- **Approve Saco-Swift River Local Advisory Committee:** *Chairman Hiland made a motion to approve the merging of the two Saco –Swift River Local Advisory committees and ask the Town Administrator to notify NHDES and to contact Robert Parrish and Kathy Carrier to see if they are interested in continuing to be Albany’s representatives to this new combined committee, Selectperson Ryan seconded the motion, after a brief discussion all were in favor (3-0-0).*
- The Board reviewed Selectmen Ferris’ findings and report that included pictures of the previously reported violation of Map 3 Lot 7. From the report presented, the Board determined there is no is no violation of Albany’s setback Ordinance. This report will be placed on file.

Other Business (and Board reports):

Planning Board – Rick- Next meeting June 10 at 7PM

NHMA – Rick – BOD meeting on May 17, A discussion on SB 36 that would affect municipalities was discussed. It will be brought to the attention of our NH Representative this evening when we meet with them.

Conservation Commission – Cathy – next meeting June 4 at 5:00 p.m.

School Board – Joe –

Other: Tin Mountain Energy Team - Selectperson Ryan brought this to the attention of the board. There is a meeting for municipalities and schools scheduled for June 4th at Tin Mountain at 6:30 PM about solar energy and its benefits.

On 5/16/19 Selectperson Ryan attended the quarterly meeting for MWV Age Friendly Community Steering Committee. This was a meeting for the various committees to report on their action plan goals.

Health: Upgrade of 211 which a free, statewide, zip code specific site for access by anyone in the community to search for needed services.

Walkable Trails: 30 trails have been identified, including the Albany Town Forest.

Outdoor spaces: Land donated by the late Stoney Morrell is being used to create a community garden with raised beds for easier access by seniors. Children from the Bartlett Elementary School will be starting the plants, thus promoting inter-generation interactions. From the meeting to create the garden, came the idea I believe from the Bartlett Rec Director, to formulate a flat walking trail on the same land. A grant was found to do a layout survey of the trail.

The MWV Age Friendly Community has been recognized by the state of NH and AARP. Both asked if they could use it as a model plan. Hence, the Mt Washington Valley is being recognized on a state and national level.

Correspondence: NHDES e-mail to Albany's Health Officer, Kelly Robitaille, thanking him for all his help and assistance with the Huttopia water testing issue.

Public Comment: Dorothy asked if the Selectmen's bi-weekly meetings will continue to be at 5:00 p.m. The Board replied, yes.

Next Meeting: June 12 at 5 PM – in 3 weeks

NonPublic Session RSA 91-A:3 II (c): Welfare assistance regarding a cremation.

At 5:50 p.m., *Selectman Ferris made a motion to move into nonpublic session citing RSA 91-A: 3 II (c) in order to review a welfare assistance case regarding a cremation and payment approval. Selectperson Ryan seconded the motion and all were in favor (3-0-0). Roll call, Chairman Hiland aye, Selectperson Ryan, aye, Selectman Ferris, aye.*

At 6:10 p.m., *Selectman Ferris motioned to move into public session, seconded by Selectperson Ryan, all were in favor (3-0-0). Roll call, Chairman Hiland aye, Selectperson Ryan, aye, Selectman Ferris, aye.*

At 6:12 p.m. it was determined that the minutes of the session shall not be publicly disclosed. *Chairman Hiland motioned to seal the minutes, to not publicly disclose the minutes because it is determined that divulgence of the information will likely affect adversely the reputation of any person other than a member of the Board. Selectman Ferris seconded the motion and all were in favor (3-0-0). Roll call, Chairman Hiland aye, Selectperson Ryan, aye, Selectman Ferris, aye.*

Adjournment:

At 6:15 p.m., *Selectman Ferris made a motion to adjourn, Selectperson Ryan seconded the motion and all were in favor (3-0-0).*

Respectfully Submitted

Rick Hiland - Chairman
Acting Secretary

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