

Minutes of the Selectmen's Meeting April 25, 2017

Members present: Lynn Sweet, Chairman, Bryant Scott, Scott Young

In attendance: Judy Dupré

The Selectmen's meeting was called to order at 5:45PM.

The Board members reviewed and approved payroll and the payment of bills. Correspondence was reviewed and discussed as necessary. The Town received notification that the Town's recently completed Hazard Mitigation Plan had been approved by NH Department of Safety and Homeland Security.

Tax Collector, Judy Dupré reviewed the status of 2015 tax lien payments with the Board as well as progress in hiring a Deputy Tax Collector.

A suggestion from Scott Goodspeed to assist in notifying taxpayers about upcoming spring meetings was well received by the Board members. He suggested printing the dates for the Budget Hearing, Town Election, and Town Meeting on the Second Issue Tax Bill. The Selectmen's Office will check into the feasibility of such a plan.

The Selectmen's Office has been in contact with Pete La Chapelle from Waste Management about their trucks transporting waste on Range Road. At the March 1, 1994 Selectmen's Meeting it was discussed and agreed that trucks would be accessing from the other end of the road, and not using Range Road. Pete La Chapelle is following up on the Waste Management end.

A clarification was given to a question raised about the necessity of slowing to 15 mph if passing a horse and rider on the road. The established speed limit on a road remains in effect; slowing down is a courtesy.

The Selectmen discussed the ongoing problem with poor internet service in the Parsons Hill Road/Willey Pond Road area of Town. The area is serviced by TDS, but the internet speed is quite slow. Metrocast has been unable to gain an easement to bring in lines from Rte. 126. Per resident request, the Selectmen's Office will contact TDS, who is upgrading lines in Barnstead to the town line, to ask if they will be able to continue the upgrade to the Strafford customers.

Building Inspector Bill Booth addressed a concern about a house "in ruin" on Deer Lane. Mr. Booth visited the house which had been damaged by fire and found it to be boarded up, but not hazardous or a complete ruin.

Bow Lake beach will be opening on Sunday, June 18th. Two sessions of swimming lessons will be offered. Session 1 will be June 26th - 30th and July 5th - 7th. Session 2 will be July 31st - August 11th.

Ted White will be handling the swim lessons. The lifeguarding staff is not complete at this time.

Inquiries have been made concerning the next recipient of the Boston Post Cane. The Selectmen would like to make that presentation soon.

There being no further business to transact, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:12PM.