

SELECTMEN'S MEETING – September 26, 2016

Present: Margo Connors, Richard Bielefield, John Strasser
Jennifer Gaudette

Guests: Susan Moore, Cathy Strasser, Tim Williams, Rachelle Lyons. Colin Lawson

Correspondence was read and acted upon.

SUSAN MOORE met with the board as she is a candidate for District Two State Representative. Ms. Moore presented her background and her concerns for the district. The board advised that Sugar Hill is still a donor community and asked that she look into the education funding. The board also noted that State Aide to municipalities has been reduced over the years and hurts the communities. Ms. Moore would like to promote health care services, high quality public education and is in favor of full burial of Northern Pass and an increase to the minimum wage.

NHMA had advised the board that the Rights Base Ordinance that was passed at the 2012 Town Meeting is unenforceable and can be repealed at the next Town Meeting.

Sally Small, Administrative Assistant for the Franconia Select Board advised that two new employees have been hired for the Transfer Station. Sally will be updating her board every two weeks in regard to Transfer Station budget.

The board met with Rachel Lyons, Project Manager and Colin Lawson, Trout Unlimited Project Supervisor for the Ammonoosuc River Stream Crossing Assessment Project to discuss preliminary results. During the summer of 2016 the Ammonoosuc River Stream Crossing Assessment project assessed all road/stream crossings within the Ammonoosuc River Watershed to evaluate aquatic habitat connectivity and infrastructure resilience. The project covers 23 towns with 742 road and stream intersects. Sugar Hill has 47 culverts that were assessed. There will be additional information available once the project is completed that will assist the Town with strategic culvert replacement projects that improve the infrastructure resilience and ecosystem function. Tim Williams and Cathy Strasser represented the Conservation Commission at the meeting.

The board will place a warrant article on the 2017 Warrant in regard to the change of law for Veterans Tax Credits.

MR. BIELEFIELD made a motion to approve the minutes of September 19, 2016 meeting, seconded by MR. STRASSER. The motion passed unanimously.

With no more business and no appointments before the Board, MR. BIELEFIELD made a motion to adjourn; seconded by MS. CONNORS the meeting was adjourned at 7:00pm. The next regular scheduled meeting will be on Monday October 3, 2016 at the Carolina Crapo Building at 5:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer P. Gaudette,
Administrative Assistant