

SELECTMEN'S MEETING– August 15, 2022

Present: Margo Connors, Chris Ellms, Dick Bielefield
Jennifer Gaudette

Guests: Jordan Applewhite, Melissa Elander

Correspondence was read and acted upon.

The board will meet Rosalind Page from ACT on August 29th @ 5:30 pm. Board will sk town reps Dan Kenerson and Charlie Wolcott to attend.

Melissa Elander from NH Clean Energy met with the board and outlined the process for creating an Electric Aggregation Committee for the town. The committee once formed creates a municipal aggregation plan to include outlines, rules, policy and procedure and Sugar Hill power plan choices. Multiple Public Hearings are held to share and adapt the plan to meet needs. Final draft goes to town meeting for approval. Melissa to confirm if majority vote/ballot required. Melissa recommended the town look at Harrisville NH as they have started this process and are around the same size community as Sugar Hill. Once approved then committee would meet with Community Power Coalition Brokers to hire one to find best options for the community. All residents would be included and those not wanting to participate would opt out. This is for third party electric and not the primary source.

Jennifer advised the board that Primex would like the Town to have Cybersecurity Incident Response Plan, Written Disaster Recovery Plan, Written Business Continuity Plan and Employee Use Plan. Chief Ho-Sing-Loy is working with information from Certified Computers and Primex to put together the plans.

Jennifer notified Aubin Map Lot that the shed on the property was not legal as no primary use. In addition, a new 911 number has been assigned to the property. The question of blasting notifications came up and Jennifer will follow with Chief Clark and Chief Ho-Sing-Loy. No building permit has been issued at this point.

The board reviewed a building permit for Clifford Hughes at Ski Hearth Farm. The board will contact Mr. Hughes and advise that in their opinion the project needs a Shoreland Protection Permit. Chris Ellms will follow up with Cliff Hughes.

The board reviewed building permits for:

Red House Realty Trust – New Home Map 230, Lot 16

Trevor and Isobel Hardy – New Home Map 219, Lot 18

Both are approved pending conditions provided by Dave Wiley, Building Official.

Currently holding Solar Permits for:

Tim Egan Map 210, Lot 3.25

Edwin Ebinger Map 214, Lot 29

Jennifer brought up the current limits for the Elderly Exemption in Sugar Hill. The board agreed to review and make a recommendation for a warrant article in 2023.

The town received \$970.81 from Charter Communications for the 1% franchise fee from January 1, 2022 to June 30, 2022.

The town received and completed a Right to Know request regarding the Sabados property.

HealthTrust has notified the town that they do not anticipate any return for 2022.

The town received the additional one-time Highway Block allotment in the amount of \$42,590.87.

The board approved the use of the Meetinghouse by the Willing Workers for Grandma's Attic on October 1, 8 & 15 from 10-2.

North Country Council has advised that an engineer has been hired. We will follow on looking at the Main Street area.

Margo updated the board on the Pemi-Baker Solid Waste District contract with Waste Management. The contract is not signed for a year. Inquired about costs for Mt. Carberry which is currently serving Coos County towns.

Chris Ellms will meet with resident Minnie Cushing in regard to the cutting on town roads.

Margo discussed with the board the bottle bill that area towns are working to get passed at the state level.

MS. CONNORS made a motion to approve the minutes of August 1, 2022, 2022 seconded by MR. ELLMS. The motion passed unanimously.

With no more business before the Board MR. BIELEFIELD made a motion to adjourn, seconded by MS. CONNORS the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 PM. The next regular scheduled meeting is Monday August 22, 2022 at the Carolina Crapo Building at 5:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer P. Gaudette
Administrative Assistant