

TOWN OF RICHMOND  
NEW HAMPSHIRE  
Office of Selectmen



**May 16, 2016 Meeting**

**Selectmen present: Christin Daugherty, Kathryn McWhirk and Carol Jameson**

**Meeting opened at 5:30pm**

**\*\*\*Administrators Report**

Wood advised Avitar is completing updates and she hopes to run the Warrant this week to be signed on Monday, 5/23/16.

Currently Wood has received 59 RSVPs of those who plan to attend the event on Saturday. Selectmen decided to relocate the event to the Vets Hall, same time.

Wood sent an email to one member of each Committee/Commission (Parks & Rec, MBC and Conservation) reference meeting to discuss the Allen lot. Will offer dates once responses are made.

**\*\*\*Approve Manifest**

McWhirk moved; Daugherty 2<sup>nd</sup>; the Board voted to approve the manifest for week of May 10, 2016 – May 16, 2016 in the amount of: \$7,190.25 for accounts payable/payroll.

**\*\*\*Selectmen**

Jameson made a motion to enter Non-Public session; Daugherty 2<sup>nd</sup>. Roll call: Jameson (Y), McWhirk (Y), Daugherty (Y). Non-Public session per RSA 91-A:3, II(c) *Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person, other than a member of this board, unless such person requests an open meeting. This exemption shall extend to include any application for assistance or tax abatement or waiver of a fee, fine or other levy, if based on inability to pay or poverty of the applicant* was entered at 6:40pm. Daugherty made a motion to exit Non-Public session; Jameson 2<sup>nd</sup>. Public session was reconvened at 7:00pm. Roll call: Jameson (Y), McWhirk (Y), Daugherty (Y). The minutes for the Non-Public session were not sealed.

Mail – opened and read.

McWhirk moved; Daugherty 2<sup>nd</sup>; the Board approved the Yield Tax Levy for M408 Ls 49 & 50.

Sample letter from the Town of Brookline reference sending an invoice for expenses related to Northeast Energy Direct Pipeline project to Kinder Morgan – reviewed and discussed.

Vets Hall rental application, with edits – reviewed.

MS 535 – reviewed.

MS 232-R – reviewed.

Letter, reference zoning violation M414 L034 – reviewed and discussed.

Daugherty updated Board on paving projects.

Employee/Volunteer dinner plans were discussed and finalized. **Selectmen decided to have the event at the Vets Hall instead of the Pavilion due to the black fly issue.**

Groundskeeping was discussed – landscaping, mowing, etc. Contract or hire person as employee? More discussion necessary.

## **Public Appointments**

**John Boccalini** met with the Board, reference an update on the proposed pipeline. Discussion of activity of the Coalition related to pipeline. Reviewed efforts of the Coalition; objecting to Eversource charging rate payers for the transportation of natural gas from Spectrum pipeline; if PUC rejects the case then no effort to fight; SEC rule making effort.

**Sandra Gillis/Rosti & Jeani Eismont/Jan Weekes/John Boccalini from the RCDA** met with the Board, reference an update on the sale of the 4 Corners area. Association is still pursuing a buyer for the property. Issue of incentives was discussed: “What is the Town willing to give to the buyer to make the property attractive to develop”? Commercial/Industrial Construction Exemption was discussed. This exemption would be for new construction. The exemption needs to be adopted at the annual election. There is also another exemption that could be adopted/offered reference improvements. The Select Board will likely prepare a warrant for 2017 Town Meeting to enable them to negotiate certain incentives with a buyer for the 4 corners property, in addition to incentives available to them without Town Meeting approval.

Marketing, in the form of a billboard with a rendition of the proposed store, advertising the property for sale was discussed. Board agreed to the billboard.

Issue of safety was also discussed. There have been multiple issues of vehicles using the area as a “short cut” to avoid the blinking light and stop sign. RCDA would like to use boulders around tree to use as curbing.

Well monitoring continues to approve. Last test showed improvement.

**O'Rorke/Laitinen/Eismont/Boccolini** met with the Board, reference an update on the licensed junkyard in town. Daugherty explained that the Board, along with the ZCO, visited the property and the following actions to take prior to the renewal of the license in July: berms along access road need to be created (sections not high enough yet), provide blockage up to the driveway of the residence and plant and seed the existing berm.

Jameson discussed "junkyard" in town and explained the town lacks the resources for effective enforcement. Jameson suggested submitting a petition warrant article in 2017 about zoning enforcement and funds to enforce.

**Meeting adjourned at 8:28pm**