

BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING
NOVEMBER 17, 2015

PRESENT: George Lawrence, Chairman, Becky Doyle, David Lage, Joanne Meshna

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. at the Town Office.

Monadnock 4-H Robotics: Ed Rogers and the Boynton Middle School robotics team made a composting presentation to the Board. Selectman Lage noted there is a composting area at the Landfill. The Selectmen recommended the group speak to Gary Johnson and determine what is there and how it can be used more effectively.

Pipeline Task Force: Karen Miller reported there had been a representative from Senator Ayotte's office at the Town Office this morning holding office hours. It was well attended by people opposed to the pipeline and several questions were asked.

There will be meeting of the Pipeline Task Force tomorrow evening at 7:00 p.m. Karen will discuss the information sent from Tad Putney on the legal expenses for 2015.

Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company will be holding an open house on December 2 at Hidden Hills Estates in Rindge from 5:00 to 10:00 p.m.

Selectman Lawrence noted the Board had written a letter to Martin Honigberg, Chairman of the NH Site Evaluation Committee, stating they are not able to attend the public hearing scheduled for November 18 on potential rule making changes and urging the Committee not to implement any rule changes that will ignore established Town regulations.

Sexton Oliver Niemi: Ollie hired Kim Rode to do brush cutting at the cemeteries and agreed to pay him \$15.00 per hour. He explained that Mr. Rode is an arborist and will be able to advise on what needs to be done. The Cemetery Trustees were in agreement with the wage.

Selectmen Lawrence stated a salary of \$13.00 for a laborer cutting brush, etc. is enough. Selectman Lage noted the hiring process is broken down in that any new hires need to go through the Board and Selectman Doyle added they did not know any of the background. The Board agreed the salary should be \$13.00 per hour.

Minutes: Selectman Doyle made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 16, 2015 meeting. Selectman Lage seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Selectman Doyle made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 10, 2015 meeting. Selectman Lage seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Selectman Doyle made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 9, 2015 meeting. Selectman Lage seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Meeting: The Board will not meet on November 24.

Fire Department Payroll: Meredith Lund has requested the Fire Department payroll be paid on the first week of December. The Board agreed to do so. The Board noted they will conduct a review of stipends, paid and will set a policy for 2016.

Board of Assessors: The Board recommended that Frank Danisienka, 415 River Road, be appointed to the vacancy on the Board until the March Town meeting. Selectman Lage made a motion to appoint Frank Danisienka to the Board of Assessors until March. Selectman Doyle seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Representative Jim Coffey: Mr. Coffey informed the Board he was reviewing the USA Properties, Inc. decision from Superior Court. At this time he recommended appealing the case. He also suggested the case be reviewed by another attorney for a second opinion.

David Cotzin: Mr. Cotzin stated he had met with the Superintendent of Schools and discussed the emergency plans for Boynton Middle School students and evacuating them to the Fire Station. She informed him they are looking at an alternate site at the Community Church on Main Street.

Sign: Selectman Doyle noted the “welcome to New Ipswich” sign on Highbridge Road was gone.

Antoine Maillet, 431 River Road: Selectman Doyle stated she had received a complaint that Mr. Maillet was storing old cars and trailers at the back of his property. The Selectman will conduct a site visit on Saturday at 9:00 a.m.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Joanne Meshna, Town Administrator

November 17, 2015 Board of Selectmen minutes approved by:

George H. Lawrence, Chairman

Rebecca M. Doyle

David S. Lage

