



Albany Selectmen's Meeting Minutes

Albany, New Hampshire February 20, 2019

Call to Order: At 5:06 p.m., Chairman Hiland called the Selectmen's meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Attendance:

Members present: Rick Hiland, Cathy Ryan and Joe Ferris
 Town Administrator: Kathy Golding
 Public: Dorothy Solomon

New Business:

- **Approval of the February 6 and February 13 minutes:** *Selectman Ferris made a motion to approve the February 6 minutes as submitted, Selectperson Ryan seconded the motion and all were in favor (3-0-0). Selectperson Ryan made a motion to approve the February 13 minutes as submitted, Selectman Ferris seconded the motion and all were in favor (3-0-0).*
- **Approval of consent file:** *Selectman Ferris made a motion to approve the consent file as presented, Selectperson Ryan seconded the motion and all were in favor (3-0-0).*

Signed payroll checks and vouchers	\$884.64
Approved accounts payable invoices	\$6,651.08
Reviewed & signed previously approved accounts payable & issued checks	\$31,134.45
Reviewed & approved 2019 proposed budget and warrant	
Reviewed & signed 2019 assessing agreement	

- Chairman Hiland would like to schedule a meeting with Albany's State Representatives and Senator to discuss the lack of state funding to municipalities. The burden gets pushed to the taxpayers. Chairman Hiland would also like to schedule a meeting with the County Commissioners after town meeting.
- Chairman Hiland would like to contact Northern Borders Regional Commission to see when their next round of grants open up. He thinks Albany could get funding toward our share of FLAP funding if approved.

Town Administrator Report:

The 2019 warrant and budget have been uploaded to the tax rate setting portal and have the approval of the Department of Revenue and Town Counsel.

The town report materials have been submitted to Minuteman Press and will be available by the deadline of March 5.

The town ballots and the Planning Board ballots have been printed. The Town Clerk has reached out to the School Board Clerk to come in to sign the School District ballot so they may be printed.

APPOINTMENTS: None

Old Business:

- Town Hall – building & parking lot maintenance – waiting for additional quotes
- State Bridge Aid – application filed and received by NHDOT – waiting
- QuickBooks Pro transformation – in process
- Chapel Committee/Historical Society – nothing to report.
- Security/Fire system upgrade and evaluation – waiting for additional quote
- Federal Land Access Program (FLAP) – submitted - waiting
- Business Roundtable meeting – TBD –
- Road Standards update – in process
- Winter road maintenance policy – in process.
- Cable TV contract (2021) – waiting for copy of proposed contract – Chairman Hiland would like to invite a Spectrum representative in to a meeting to start contract discussions.
- Treasurer's office – in process
- NH State Surplus – in process
- North Country Council – need volunteer to serve as Albany Commissioner
- Broadband meeting – it was brought to Chairman Hiland's attention that North Country Council did a broadband research project in 2015 with a 60+

page report. There is help through UNH to bring broadband to our region.
Jerry Knirk wrote an article in the paper about the broadband meeting.

- NCIC – 2219 NH Route 16 – April 15 cleanup deadline

Other Business (and Board reports):

Planning Board – Rick- nothing to report

ESAA – Rick – the new slate of directors will be approved tomorrow.

Conservation Commission – Cathy – nothing to report – next meeting is March 5 at 6:00 pm.

School Board – Joe – Chairman Hiland has asked Superintendent Richard to look into the reduction of payment through the Secure Rural School funding from the federal government to local schools.

Other: None

Correspondence: None

Public Comment: None

Next Meeting: February 27 at 5 PM

Adjournment:

At 5:32 p.m., Selectman Ferris made a motion to adjourn, Chairman Hiland seconded the motion and all were in favor (3-0-0).

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathleen Golding
Town Administrator