Minutes
Albany NH Selectmen’s Meeting
August 28, 2013

At 4:30 p.m., the Selectmen’s meeting was called to order. In attendance were Jack Rose, Kelly Robitaille and Rob Nadler. Also present were Lee Grant and June Johnson. The following business was conducted.

Regular Business:

- Reviewed & approved August 21 minutes-Jack made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted, Rob seconded the motion and all were in favor.
- Signed checks totaling $202,489.95.
- Reviewed & signed letter to NHDOT.
- Reviewed PSNH invitation to welfare workshop-Kathy will attend this workshop in Portsmouth.
- Reviewed NHDES Notice of Standard Maximum Contaminant Level Violation.

Selectmen meeting schedule:

Rob noted on Wednesday, October 23, he and Jack have to be in Whitefield for the North Country Council’s annual meeting at 4:30 p.m. He wondered if the Selectmen meeting that day could be held earlier in the day. Rob asked the Board if 1:00 p.m. that day would be acceptable. Kelly said to set it tentatively at 1:00 p.m. because he can’t say for sure that far in advance if he can make it. Rob said the following Wednesday will be the fifth Wednesday of the month and there won’t be a Selectmen meeting that week. This is works out well because that is the same night of the Mount Washington Valley Chamber of Commerce annual dinner. Jack asked Kathy to sign him up for the dinner, as well as his wife. Jack invited Kelly to the event. Kelly said he would like to go. Rob said he was already registered to attend. Kathy will register everyone else online.

Miscellaneous:

Kelly told the Board that he met the partner of the woman who is setting up the farm stand down the street. He said they have some pretty impressive plans for the property. A huge barn and Clydesdale horses for sleigh rides as well as the farm stand. The partner told his builder he wants it to look like a postcard. Kelly said there is a lot going on down there and the partner has
the means to do it. Kelly noticed a small building being built and asked if a permit had been issued. Kathy replied she was not aware of a permit that had been issued but she will follow up with Peter Carboni on Monday as he is on vacation this week.

Jack worked the Historical Society’s museum today and there was a visitor who came to research the Meed family who lived in Albany in the late 1700’s to early 1800’s. Both husband and wife had served as Selectmen. The property map from that era shows Meed, Moss and Weed sold 10,000 acres to Guay for $600. It had to be a major segment of the Wentworth land segment.

Jack was in search of the old Burton book which may have pertinent information but could not find it. He wondered if it may be at the Conway library. Supposedly Conway had given it to Albany around the same time as they gifted the silver chalice. Jack thought the book may have been located quickly if it were there but the museum and its contents are in such disarray, it makes it difficult to find anything. He would like to spend some money to inventory the contents and bring some sort of organization to it. June said she knew in the past, the contents had been inventoried with numbers on them but she has not seen the list. Rob suggested maybe a history student interning at UNH may be willing to take on the task and would probably be of no cost to the town. Lee thought maybe the Burton book is in the attic of the chapel. Jack replied he checked and found nothing. Jack would like to see a complete reorganization of the museum.

Kelly would like to invest some town funds into the cemeteries which are currently not within compliance of state law and have been neglected for a long time. He thought maybe we could choose one cemetery each year and give it the upgrades and TLC that it needs. He would also like to keep the work within Albany if possible. Many people have volunteered to help out. Jack suggested Kim Guptill, cemetery trustee, come to a meeting so a plan can be established before budget time.

At 5:20 p.m., Jack made a motion to adjourn, Kelly seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathleen Vizard
Town Administrator