

Albany Selectmen's Meeting

Minutes

Albany, New Hampshire

February 12, 2020



Call to Order: At 5:35 p.m., Chairman Hiland called the Selectmen's meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance: Chairman Hiland led everyone in the Pledge.

Attendance:

Members present: Rick Hiland, Cathy Ryan and Joe Ferris

Town Administrator: none

Public: Dorothy Solomon, Chuck & Anne Merrow, Peter DonKonics, Rob Nadler, Leah Valladares, Ardis Yahna, Steve Knox, Lance_Zack.

Public Hearing on the 2020 Budget & Warrant Articles: Chairman Hiland opened the public hearing at 5:38 PM and proceeded to go through each of the Warrant Articles. WA 1 & 2 are on the ballot. WA 3 Budget – the Select Board went through the proposed budget by cost center totals and the Select Board answered questions from the public on various lines within each of the cost center totals with a total 2020 Municipal Budget total of \$730,176.00. During the discussion on the budget it was announced that the Select Board has hired Kelley Collins as the new Town Administrator in a part-time position to start on March 30. The Select Board continued with the rest of the Warrant Articles, reading them aloud and answering any questions to each. Chairman Hiland made everyone present aware that there was submitted backup information on the table for public inspection for most all the petitioned Warrant Articles along with their respective signed petitions. With no further questions, Chairman Hiland closed the Public Hearing at 7:35 PM.

The Select Board then voted on each of the Warrant Articles:

Chairman Hiland read & moved each of the Warrant Articles and the votes were taken on each of them individually:

Warrant Article #3 – Budget - \$730,176.00 – (3-0-0)

Warrant Article #4 – (3-0-0)

Warrant Article #5 – (3-0-0)

Warrant Article #6 – (3-0-0)

Warrant Article #7 – (3-0-0)

Warrant Article #8 – (3-0-0)

Warrant Article #9 – (3-0-0)

- Warrant Article #10 – (3-0-0)**
- Warrant Article #11 – (3-0-0)**
- Warrant Article #12 – (3-0-0)**
- Warrant Article #13 – (3-0-0)**
- Warrant Article #14 – (3-0-0)**
- Warrant Article #15 – (3-0-0)**
- Warrant Article #16 – (3-0-0)**
- Warrant Article #17 – (3-0-0)**
- Warrant Article #18 – petitioned – (3-0-0)**
- Warrant Article #19 – petitioned – (3-0-0)**
- Warrant Article #20 – petitioned – (3-0-0)**
- Warrant Article #21 – petitioned – (3-0-0)**
- Warrant Article #22 – petitioned – (3-0-0)**
- Warrant Article #23 – petitioned – (3-0-0)**
- Warrant Article #24 – petitioned – (1-2-0) – Hiland & Ferris opposed**
- Warrant Article #25 – petitioned – (2-1-0) - Hiland opposed**
- Warrant Article #26 – petitioned – (2-1-0) – Hiland opposed**
- Warrant Article #27 – no vote**

Chairman Hiland made a motion to sign the 2020 Town Warrant out of session, Selectman Ferris seconded the motion and all were in favor. (3-0-0)

Chairman Hiland noted and asked the Selectperson Ryan and Selectman Ferris to make sure they all got to the Selectman’s office by the end of Friday to sign the 5 documents so that Kathy could get all the documents filed/submitted on Saturday.

New Business:

- **Approval of February 5 minutes: Selectman Ferris made a motion to approve the February 5 minutes as presented, Selectperson Ryan seconded the motion and all were in favor (3-0-0).**
- **February 5 minutes Non-Public Sessions #1 and #2 sealed minutes: Selectman Ferris made a motion to approve the February 5 sealed minutes of the Non-Public Sessions #1 and #2 , Selectperson Ryan seconded the motion and all were in favor (3-0-0).**
- **Approval of the February 12 consent file: Selectman Ferris made a motion to approve the February 5 consent file as presented, Selectperson Ryan seconded the motion and all were in favor (3-0-0).**

Review & sign manifest	\$4,789.72

- **Status of 2019 Town Report – Kathy reports that the Town Report has been submitted to the printer except for the Warrant and Budget, which will be completed by Saturday.**

Town Administrators Report: None

APPOINTMENTS: None

Old Business:

- **Profile Power Sports sign permit application dated 1/31/20** – tabled until February 12 meeting pending further research of the Town’s records. Chairman Hiland could not find any documents in the Town’s records pertaining to the last ZBA Variance. The new Sign Permit requested the signage total of the new signs (to include primary and 4 accessory signs) at 80.9 sq. ft. at a new height of 22 ft. per the provided spec sheets. The current Sign Ordinance (IV. Sign Regulations, B. Permitted Signs, 1. Primary Sign (b) maximum height; V. Permitted Signage for a Single Business, A. Primary Sign 1 & 2, B. Accessory Signs: 1, 2, 3 and C.)_states a maximum area being 32 sq. ft. (Primary sign) and a maximum of (3) Accessory signs at total of 27 sq. ft. (9 sq. ft. each), maximum of (4) signs total and a maximum height measured from the center line of the roadway at 18 ft. The plot diagram for new sign location met all setbacks per the ordinance. **Selectman Ferris made a motion to deny the Sign Permit application for Map 7 Lot 64 due to not meeting the Sign Ordinance maximum allowable dimensions, Selectperson Ryan seconded the motion and all were in favor (3-0-0).** They will need to apply to the ZBA for a variance which they had received for their current older signage.
- **Primary Election February 11:** All went well and the Select Board thanked all the folks who helped out to make it a success.
- **NH State Surplus** – in process
- **NH State Bridge Aid** – in process
- **Chapel Committee/Historical Society** – in process.
- **Federal Land Access Program (FLAP)** – in process – waiting on an MOU from Dept of Interior – Chairman Hiland will contact them.
- **Business Roundtable meeting** – TBD
- **Cable TV contract (2021)** – in process
- **Route 16 Moulton property** – in process
- **110 Golden Oaks Rd** - waiting for ownership documentation
- **Vendor/Vending cart ordinance** – Selectperson Ryan - in process
- **Small Claims Court** – payment hearing January 22 morning - completed
- **Library cards:** need to produce vouchers for 2020 –
- **Bald Hill Road – stakes in ROW:** no action taken.

Other Business (and Board reports):

Planning Board – Selectman Hiland – meeting Feb 10th - no business.

NHMA – Selectman Hiland – next BOD meeting February 21 - lots of new legislation proposed for municipalities that needs to be watched.

Carroll County Broadband – Selectman Hiland - meeting is scheduled for Feb 13th at 10AM at the MWVEC meeting room, hosted by the Conway Select Board and the MWVEC.

Conservation Commission – Selectperson Ryan – next meeting Feb 4th at 6PM - cancelled

School Board – Selectman Ferris – Albany School Board meeting on Feb 11 at 5:30PM – Public Hearing on the school budget and it passed as presented.

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Other: review & approval - Building Permit for Map 7 Lot 98 – ***Chairman Hiland made motion to approve the building permit for Map 7 Lot 98, Selectman Ferris seconded the motion, and all were in favor. (3-0-0)***

Correspondence: None

Public Comment: None

Next Meeting: February 19 at 5:30 PM at Albany Town Hall

Non Public Sessions: None

No other business.

Adjournment: ***Motion to adjourn at 7:58 PM by Selectman Ferris, second by Selectperson Ryan, and all were in favor. (3 – 0 – 0)***

Respectfully submitted,

Rick Hiland
Selectman – Chairman
Acting Secretary