



Albany Selectmen's Meeting Minutes

Albany, New Hampshire
April 8, 2020 at 5:30 P.M.

Call to Order: Chairman Hiland called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance: Chairman led the meeting in the pledge

**To call into meeting: Conference Call Dial-in: 1-480-660-5317
Conference Code: 540682**

Attendance: **In person:** Chairman Hiland, Selectperson Ryan and Town Administrator Kelley Collins. **Via Conference Calling:** Selectman Ferris (alone), and Dorothy Solomon

New Business:

- **Approval of April 1 minutes**

Selectman Ferris made a motion to accept the minutes of the April 1, 2020 meeting. Selectperson Ryan seconded. Chairman Hiland asked if there were any errors or omissions, there being none, he called for a vote. **Roll Call Vote:** Chairman Hiland – aye; Selectperson Ryan – aye; Selectman Ferris – aye. (3-0)

- **Approval of April 8 consent file**

Review & Sign manifest in the amount of \$19,199.94

Selectman Ferris made a motion to accept and approve the manifest as presented. Selectperson Ryan seconded. **Roll Call Vote:** Chairman Hiland – aye; Selectperson Ryan – aye; Selectman Ferris – aye. (3-0)

- **Review, approve and sign the Treasurer's request for "Delegation of Deposit & Treasurer Assistance Authority for the new Town Administrator**

Selectman Ferris made a motion to approve and sign the Delegation of Deposit & Treasurer Assistance Authority (which has already been signed by the Treasurer). Selectperson Ryan seconded. There being no further discussion Chairman called for a vote. **Roll Call Vote:** Chairman Hiland – aye; Selectperson Ryan – aye; Selectman Ferris – aye. (3-0)

Town Administrators Report:

- **Update the Board on the status of USFS closing US Forest trails/parking lots**

The Town Administrator noted that the Board had asked her to follow up on the email received from a resident asking the Board to approach the US Forest Service requesting the closure of South Moat Trail and parking lot. The TA spoke to the US Forest Ranger last Friday on the phone and received a follow up email on Monday. The Ranger, Jim Innes, explained that the request had been made to D.C. and it would have to run through their process. The TA will follow up by emailing the residents that made the request.

APPOINTMENTS: None

Old Business:

Appointments to Town Boards & Commissions: Planning Board, ZBA, Conservation Commission, Chairman Hiland notified Chairman of PB to check with Adrian, to see if he was interested in continuing to serve. The Chairman will check with Adrian. Selectperson Ryan stated that the Conservation Commission would like to appoint Leah Valladares as an Alternate. Chairman Hiland made a motion to appoint Leah Valladares as an alternate to ConComm. Selectperson Ryan seconded. **Roll Call Vote:** Chairman Hiland – aye; Selectperson Ryan – aye; Selectman Ferris – aye. (3-0)

- **Town Fees & Fines Review & Update:** Sign, Building Permits, etc.
- **Select Board meetings:** – decide on when to go to 2 meetings per month
- **NH State Surplus** – in process
- **NH State Bridge Aid** – Drake Hill Rd bridge - in process
- **Chapel Committee/Historical Society** – in process – Ms. Solomon stated that she will contact the contractor to let him know that the repair items for the Chapel were approved by Town Meeting and he can schedule the work.
- **Federal Land Access Program (FLAP)** – in process – waiting on MOA
- **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** – in process
- **Library cards:** Vouchers design
- **Bald Hill Road – stakes in ROW:** Selectman Ferris – update. The stakes are still there. Selectman Ferris does not believe this is quite as critical right now. Chairman Hiland asked if we can remove the stakes and Selectman Ferris says that is fine.

Other Business (and Board reports):

Planning Board – Selectman Hiland – have not met and may not meet in April

NHMA – Selectman Hiland – There is a conference call NHMA meeting scheduled for Thursday, April 9th at 9 a.m.,

Carroll County Broadband – Selectman Hiland – Had a conference call with Alex from Rural Strategies and they are working on a survey. Steve Knox, Carol Monroe and Paul O'Brien (Selectman from Wolfeboro) were on the call and they will be putting out a survey.

Conservation Commission – Selectperson Ryan – There was a ConComm meeting last evening and the conference calling worked well. Jason Richardson from Grandview Farms asked if they could use more land? The ConComm is going to do more research on this. Littlefield Farm did an agricultural literacy program with the schools in February and want to establish a curriculum that includes the schools in their program. NH Water and Watershed had a meeting in February which Sean Wadsworth attended. As we move forward with Albany's water ordinance they will be a resource. Chairman Hiland says that acreage for the farming is in the written agreement and probably need to amend the agreement with both parties' written consent.

School Board – Selectman Ferris – There will be a meeting of the Executive Board tomorrow night. He is sure they will be discussing the on-line schooling and how it's going. Chairman Hiland asked Selectman Ferris if there is any issues with students and speed of WiFi. Selectman Ferris will ask but he thinks that the question would probably be better asked of the full SAU Board. Chairman Hiland said just let him know and he will schedule them on the video system.

Correspondence:

- E-mail from NHMA regarding the Governor's Emergency Order #25 which pertains to abating interest and penalties on past due taxes, the lien procedure and deed procedure during the Declared Emergency. The Board will review the correspondence.

Public Comment: Dorothy Solomon asked for copies of minutes of the meetings.

Selectman Ferris just wants everyone to enjoy the 4 – 8 inches of snow we are getting.

Next Meeting: April 15, 2020 at 5:30 PM at Albany Town Hall

Adjournment: There being no further business the Chairman made a motion to adjourn at 5:55 p.m. Selectperson Ryan seconded. **Roll Call Vote:** Chairman Hiland – aye; Selectperson Ryan – aye; Selectman Ferris – aye. **(3-0)**

Respectfully submitted by: Kelley A. Collins/Town Administrator