

I. CALL TO ORDER The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm in the basement meeting room at the Fremont Town Hall. In attendance were Selectmen Gene Cordes, Neal Janvrin and Roger Barham; Town Administrator Heidi Carlson; Selectmen's Clerk Kathy Clement and School Board Member Gordon Muench. All rose for the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. The Memorial Day Parade and Ceremony will take place this Sunday beginning at 9:00 am from the Town Hall. Contact Jeanne Nygren as soon as possible for more information. Veterans and the Band will line up at the Town Hall, with all of our school children, youth teams, Girl and Boy Scouts joining the procession at the intersection of Spaulding Road and Main Street.

2. The Epping Planning Board meeting relative to the Patterson Site Plan Review expansion at 30 Shirking Road in Epping has been continued to Thursday June 13, 2019 at 6:00 pm.

III. LIAISON REPORTS

1. Spring Bulky Day was held last Saturday and was possibly the busiest one ever. Tires are being removed as well as the many full dumpsters. There were many volunteers helping.

2. FCTV Meeting 05/20/2019: There was general discussion concerning the following:

a. Future of the Assistant Coordinator's Position, this was created as a temporary position to be used as needed.

b. Paying a stipend to camera operators for recording Town Events that are not scheduled meetings. It is getting difficult to find residents to volunteer.

c. Possible purchase of wireless microphones for clearer sound.

d. Sound quality at the Ellis School gym and thoughts about the placing of flags for better acoustics. They will be contacting sound specialists to come evaluate the gym and companies that manufacture flags to get more information.

No decisions were made.

3. SRRDD 53B quarterly meeting 05/22/2019: Janvrin reported that SRRDD 53B was awarded a \$4,860 grant to help offset the costs for this year. They reviewed their final yearly statement. There will also be a 2.5 % increase in cost for hazardous waste cleanup day. The tentative dates for the annual Hazardous Waste Day are September 14 or 21.

4. Carlson reported the Safety Committee met and will be following up with the electrician to come finish a few things at the Safety Complex, he will be out in the next few weeks to finish. The next meeting will be August 27, 2019 at the Library.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Barham made a motion to approve the minutes of May 16, 2019 as written. Janvrin seconded the motion and the vote was 3-0.

V. SCHEDULED AGENDA ITEMS

6:45 pm Public Input - None

7:00 pm Department Heads - None

VI. OLD BUSINESS

1. Sandown Road Bridge Summary to Date:

- a. Temporary lane reduction (one lane along the centerline of the bridge) installed. Lights being operated daily by Road Agent and HW Crews with help from Fremont PD Officers.
- b. Road closure detour plan designed. Comments received from NHDOT. We recommend (and Road Agent Agreed) that we only add the additional signage requested on Rte. 111A.
- c. Need to order the additional signs for Rte. 111A. The NHDOT recommended 2 more signs for that road. Carlson will confirm with the Road Agent.
- d. Big R Bridge was low bidder for the replacement bridge. Awarded the fabrication (with additional change order) and delivery contract on April 11, 2019.
- e. Big R Bridge submitted bridge plans and load rating form and Stantec review is in process.
- f. Stantec is contacting potential contractors referred by the bidders to determine if they are interested and available to install the new bridge in July-August.
- g. The NHDES Wetland & Shoreland permits are in process and should be submitted and approved by the end of June or early July.
- h. Wetland Scientist will be getting the necessary Town signatures and the \$200 filing fee within 2 weeks for submittal of the applications.
- i. Stantec has contacted CWS and GMI and discussed the guardrail and paving. Will get prices and if they are good, we will not bid those items out.

2. Meeting with Martin Ferwerda and his attorney has been moved to Thursday May 30, 2019 at 6:00 pm. Ferwerda's attorney has also sent the Town an RTK request for Governor's Forest records.

3. Seacoast Farms follow-up – On August 16, 2018 the Selectmen were given a tour of Seacoast Farms Compost Site on Shirkin Road. They spoke to Mr. Kelly about some concerns and would like a follow up letter sent regarding the items that he was to address. The proper information has been provided to the Town for all work that he will be having done on Shirkin Road including the insurance certificate required. The height of the tailings has been reduced from 9' to 3' as requested. The Selectmen had concerns about the number of tailings that he had on site. They suggested that he revise his site plan, but he said that would not be necessary as he would have them removed by December. The volume of tailings is still of concern and the Selectmen would like a letter sent to Mr. Kelly and would like to schedule another site walk in June or July. It was also mentioned that as part of his conditional site plan approval that if the tailings are a problem then the Town could require a bond. A letter will be sent to Mr. Kelly to inquire about these tailings.

4. Thru Trucking Ordinance – The Ordinance has been reviewed by the Town Attorney and has been recommended that the Town can move forward with a public hearing. Janvrin moved to schedule a public hearing on the Through Trucking Ordinance draft. Barham seconded the motion and the vote was 3-0. The tentative date will be June 27, 2019 at 7:15 pm.

5. Memorial Day Program – There were some minor edits to program. Carlson will send update to the Selectmen for Sunday's ceremony.

6. NH DOT Sign Violation letter and work completed to date: Historic marker signs in the State of NH right-of-way were removed 2-3 weeks ago and are being stored until a plan is made for re-installation outside of the NH DOT ROW. The NH DOT has been notified. There are three more signs that are much larger and difficult to remove, these will need heavy equipment to remove they are 6x6 granite posts in concrete.

There was some discussion about a Landowner Permission Form for installation of the historic marker signs on private property. Carlson will work on a permission form for landowners to sign to give the Town permission to place these historic markers on private land. It would be difficult to place some of these signs outside the State right-of-way as it is not a standard distance, some could be as much as a 100' right-of-way. There was some discussion about placing the larger signs on breakaway posts to allow these to be displayed. Barham had questions regarding the State right of ways and if there was any mapping to show this information. Carlson will get this information to him to review.

7. In response to the Board's request, Carlson got a formula from Primex to understand the insurance cost on the retained old fire truck. The Highway Department is again considering keeping the truck for cleaning out culverts and watering roads when needed. The annual insurance on the truck is \$545. There would also be some maintenance. There is currently no water in the truck, and it is not known if there are any repairs needed. Carlson will speak to the Road Agent to find out if it is cheaper to hire someone a few times a year to do this work.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

1. The Selectmen reviewed the folder of incoming correspondence.
2. Janvrin moved to approve the Accounts Payable manifest of \$97,489.04 dated May 24, 2019. Barham seconded and the vote was unanimous 3-0.
3. Barham made a motion to approve the Tax Warrant First Issue 2019 in the amount of \$6,006,739.00 Janvrin seconded the motion and there was discussion about the new statutory rate. Later in the meeting a final discussion and motion was voted.
4. The Fremont Fire Department received a Memorandum Grant from the Department of Safety for P25 compliant programming for two-way communication. The grant will reimburse the cost with some restrictions on what the vendor can charge. Janvrin made a motion to approve and have the Chair sign for the Board. Barham seconded the motion and the vote was 3-0. Chief Butler will execute the grant.

VIII. WORKS IN PROGRESS

1. The Zoning Board of Adjustment and Conservation Commission will hold a Site Walk at 9:00 am on Saturday 05/25/2019 at lot 02-019.004 on South Road. Janvrin will be attending.
2. Barham sent the Paving Condition Index with the road inventory to Rockingham Planning regarding pavement evaluation and conditions of our roads. The index works with a scale of numbers 0-100 with zero the worst and 100 the best, based on index number there are different types of remediation for certain numbers. These range from full restoration to filling cracks. This is used for planning purposes and does not include any other costs like wetlands permits, culverts, shoulder work.
3. Continental Paving is repaving Hall Road. The Town engineer has been there, and the Homeowners association has been involved and aware of this. This should address all road paving issues. Carlson gave the town engineers information to the association. There have been no updates from Lewis Builders or Continental Paving to the Selectmen's Office. Cordes would like a verbal update from Stantec but not the whole report at this time.

At 7:28 pm Janvrin moved to enter Non-Public Session pursuant to NH RSA 91-A3 II (e) to discuss a legal matter. Barham seconded the vote. The roll call vote was unanimously approved 3-0; Cordes – yes; Barham – yes; Janvrin – yes.

Clement and Muench left the meeting at 7:30 pm

IX. NON-PUBLIC SESSION pursuant to NH RSA 91-A:3 II (e)

At approximately 7:35 pm the Board began their Non-Public Session.

The next regular Board meeting will be held at 6:00 pm on site at Country Lane / Tarah Way on Thursday May 30, 2019; and will continue once complete, at the Fremont Town Hall in the basement meeting room.

After coming out of non-public the statutes were consulted to confirm the interest rate on delinquent property taxes which changed to 8% effective April 1, 2019. The Board signed the First Issue Property Tax Warrant for 2019 in the amount of \$6,006,739 as discussed earlier, after the vote was approved 3-0. The date of mailing of the last bill needs to be filled in by the Collector, along with the due date she chooses. She submitted a letter stating that she wanted them to be due July 9, 2019 due to her family vacation schedule.

The Board also asked for an update on the Black Rocks Village project, wherein the grinding and repaving work had been underway this week.

With no further business to come before this meeting, a motion was made by Barham to adjourn at 8:15 pm. Janvrin seconded and the vote was approved 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Heidi Carlson
Town Administrator