



TOWN OF DEERING

Board of Selectmen

762 Deering Center Road
Deering, NH 03244

Meeting Minutes

August 1, 2019

Selectmen present: Allen Belouin, Rebecca Mitchell, Bill Whisman
The hearing was called to order at 1900.

MEETING MINUTES:

Meeting Minutes – July 18th

Mr. Belouin made the motion to accept the public and non-public minutes of July 18th. Mr. Whisman seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and so moved.

New Business

Jackie Sawyer – Free Concert w/ Madeline Lavoie

Ms. Sawyer spoke to the Board relative to an offer from her niece, Madeline Lavoie, who is a budding artist to perform at a free concert at the town bandstand. The Board discussed potential dates for the performance and Ms. Sawyer agreed to speak with her niece about scheduling a date for the performance somewhere in September. It was agreed that once available dates are established the TA can revisit the issue with the Board. The Board thanked Ms. Sawyer and Ms. Lavoie for their kind offer.

Fire Department – Proposed New Hires

Fire Chief Gorman proposed three new hires for the call force with the following rates of pay (see below).

Alex Rousseau	Per Diem EMT	\$13.00/hr
Chris Nervik	Per Diem EMT	\$13.00/hr
Gary Bushay	On Call Fire Fighter	\$13.50/hr

The Board previously reviewed the candidate applications and asked several questions of the chief and of Mr. Nervik who was in attendance. Mr. Belouin made the motion to approve the hiring of the above-named individuals to the DFD at the above noted rates of hourly pay. Ms. Mitchell seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and so moved.

The Board also reviewed a pay increase for Brian Rousseau because he is now certified fire fighter 1. Mr. Belouin made the motion to increase Brian Rousseau's rate of pay from \$13/hour to \$13.50/hour. Ms. Mitchell seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and so moved.

Fire Chief Gorman explained that the grant for the Wick floating pump was approved. The grant total is \$1,600 and the Town share of the cost is \$1,700. The pump is designed for use on Deering Lake, and is particularly useful for fighting fires on Driftwood Island. Mr. Belouin made the motion to approve the grants and the purchase of the Wick floating pump. Mr. Whisman seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and so moved.

The Board noted that Capt. Boyll attended the July 18th Board meeting and had agreed to provide a copy of the Fire Suppression Water Resource Plan to the Board, but they have yet to receive it. Mr. Gorman agreed to look into the issue. He also noted that the department's SOG's are hanging up for review in all of the stations.

NH Emergency Notification System

The Board reviewed the Code Red program offered by E911 which is an emergency notification system that can alert parts of or all of the Deering community during emergencies such as natural disasters. The TA suggested that the primary contact be the Police Chief followed by the Fire Chief. Mr. Belouin made the motion to approve "Code Red" and to have Chief Pushee as the primary contact. Mr. Whisman seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and so moved.

Impact Fire – Tank Inspection Price Increase

The TA explained that the Board had approved a tank inspection cost of \$5,850, but Impact Fire had increased their price by almost \$1,000 and that is the reason the issue is again before the Board. During the interim between Board meetings Mr. Belouin was able to find another vendor who has submitted a quote for tank inspection. The two quotes for work are listed below.

Impact Fire	\$6,804
Superior Fire Protection	\$4,200

Mr. Belouin explained that the high cost of tank inspections arises from a condition where there is only one company in NH certified to conduct enclosed space inspections. Mr. Whisman made the motion to approve the quote of \$4,200 from Superior Fire for tank inspection. Ms. Mitchell seconded the motion. Mr. Belouin abstained because of a previous working relationship with Superior Fire. The motion carried.

The Board next reviewed and discussed a complaint from Travis Putnam about the highway department, it's equipment maintenance, it's operations, the conditions of the roads, the lack of gravel on the roads and so on. The Board agreed to place Mr. Putnam on the agenda for their next meeting.

Mr. Whisman spoke to the issue of Deering representation on the Hillsboro Recreation Committee. Mr. Belouin explained that Doris Beane had acted as the Deering representative for several years and talking with Ms. Beane would be beneficial to Mr. Whisman, who, the other members believed will make an ideal representative on the recreation committee.

TO BE REVIEWED AND/OR SIGNED:

- Employee Payroll	<u>July 24th</u> \$14,178.96
- Employee Payroll	<u>July 31st</u> \$13,654.14
- Fire Department Payroll	<u>July 24th</u> \$4,234.35
- AP ACH XFER	<u>August 1st</u> \$183.25
- AP Manifest	<u>August 1st</u> \$351,999.03
- ETF (Concert)	<u>August 1st</u> \$600.00

There being no further business to come before the Board Mr. Whisman made the motion to adjourn. Ms. Mitchell seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and so moved. The meeting adjourned at 2025.

Respectfully Submitted,

\s\ Russell McAllister
Town Administrator

Please Sign For

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