

**TOWN OF EPSOM
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
940 SUNCOOK VALLEY HIGHWAY
EPSOM TOWN OFFICES
JANUARY 27, 2019
6:00 PM**

**Hugh Curley
Chris Bowes
Virginia Drew**

Approved H. Curley 2-25-2019

Staff Present: Nancy Wheeler; Barbara Clark

Other Attendees: Joni Kitson; Meadow Wysocki; Deb Sargent; Lisa Gately; Cheryl Gilpatrick; Allison Parodi-Bieling; Richard Frambach; Kate Champney; Daniel Kern; Andrew Champney; Cal Preston

Hugh called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance

Hugh asked Deb Sargent to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Review and Accept or Amend the Agenda

Chris noted that the scheduled appointment for 6:45 PM may have to be flexible.

Chris motioned to accept the agenda, Virginia seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Hugh noted they have two non-publics – legal and personnel.

Scheduled Appointments

6:45 PM Lisa Gately / Signs for Mountain Road

7:00 PM Allison Parodi-Beiling / LCHIP Grant & Conservation Easement

Admin Report

Parcel Deeding / Barbara

Barbara had two letters for signature for two owners who have completed their agreements. The Board signed the letters.

Finance Report

Nancy asked who would be signing the checks tomorrow, Hugh will be available. Nancy noted that the Warrant will be posted on Friday. She noted there was a notice in the paper for the Deliberative Session.

Chris motioned to go into non-public per RSA 91-A: 3II (a), Virginia seconded the motion. The motion passed with Hugh voting yes; Chris voting yes and Virginia voting yes. The motion passed.

The Board went into non-public session at 6:10 PM.

Virginia motioned to come out of Non-Public, Chris seconded the motion. The motion passed.

The Board returned at 6:30 PM.

Hugh noted they determined who to interview for the Administrative Assistant position.

Signature Items

Accounts Payable/Manifest

Payroll

Abatement

Chris motioned to approve the abatement for U 01-4-10, Virginia seconded the motion. The motion passed.

3 Appointment papers for Inspectors of Election

Virginia motioned to approve the Moderator's suggestion for Inspectors of Election until February 2021 – Jeanne Foster, Janice Orff and Sonya Noyes, Chris seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Chris motioned to go into Non-Public Session per RSA 91-A:3 II (I) for legal, Virginia seconded the motion. Hugh voted yes, Chris voted yes, Virginia voted yes. The motion passed.

The Board went into Non-Public Session at 6:36 PM.

Virginia motioned to come out of Non-Public and to seal the minutes, Chris seconded the motion. The motion passed.

The Board returned at 6:53 PM.

Lisa Gately, Manager of Getaway – Signs for Mountain Road

Ms. Gately discussed what they did noting that they have been in Epsom about a year and half. She noted she has heard that residents are concerned with their guests speeding especially on Mountain Road asking if signs could be installed.

Hugh discussed the type of signs that could be installed. Chris noted that people do not respect the speed limits. He noted that he is happy that Getaway is there. He noted that Center Hill Road is not quite as it was in the past.

Virginia asked if Ms. Gately had received complaints. Ms. Gately noted not directly, but she has had conversations with the Police Chief and also with local contractors working at the site noting the concerns.

Hugh noted they could talk with the Road Agent about getting additional signs.

Virginia noted when they speed it causes road damage and also more dust, etc.

Hugh asked the number of units they have, Ms. Gately noted 42 and they are maxed out. She noted that they are sold out into the future.

Allison Parodi-Beiling / LCHIP Grant & Conservation Easement

Allison noted they received a grant for 48K for the purchase of the Barton property. Mr. Kern discussed the agreement is to purchase the property. They have another \$10,000.00 from the MCP Transaction Grant. He noted they may not be able to purchase the property in Deerfield. The purchase price is \$176,000.00. He noted that the Town would acquire the property and LCIP would have an executory position. It indicates that the property will not be developed.

Hugh asked what would happen if it was developed 100 years from now. Allison noted that Bear Paw would be monitoring the property. Mr. Kern noted they would have to negotiate with the Attorney General's Office to remove the conservation conditions. The goal would be to have the property surveyed in May, draw up the documents and close in July. Allison discussed the funds that could be used for the purchase of the property from the Town's Conservation Funds. Allison noted that they have enough funds to purchase the Hickey property.

Hugh asked how they obtained the LCIP funds. Mr. Kern noted that it would be sent to the closing attorney.

Mr. Kern noted that they are ready to close on the Hickey property. He left copies of the documents for the Board to execute.

Allison noted that they have had a lot of trail damage this year. They are working with the Fort Mountain Trail Winders to clear the trails. It was discussed that vehicles are also using the trails. Allison noted she would like to have a Fish and Game Conservation Officer do a presentation on the use of the trails. She noted that the best they could do was to educate the user.

Vehicle usage of the trails was discussed. Allison noted it is difficult to monitor. She noted that Tarleton Rad is a Class VI road asking if the entire road is Class VI. They would like a part of it turned into a Class A trail. The Road Agent will be requested to research the road status.

Discussion

Interview schedule for employment applications

Minutes to approve and sign

Draft / January 14, 2019

Chris motioned to approve the minutes of January 14, 2019, Virginia seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Draft / January 17, 2019

Virginia motioned to approve the minutes of January 17, 2019, Hugh seconded the motion. The motion passed with one abstention.

Draft / January 22, 2019

Virginia motioned to approve the minutes of January 22, 2019, Chris seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Selectmen's Report

Chris noted everything is approved for the phone system, the grant has been approved.

Hugh noted that Rick is able to do light duty with Emergency Management being one of those things. Joel has returned today. Hugh noted there is a BCEP meeting on Thursday. Hugh asked if anyone had gone on the weekend with the new sorting methods. Chris noted that he had been there and saw no issues. Hugh discussed the changes that are in effect.

Virginia noted she continues to meet with the Meetinghouse Group. They are getting letters from Joel for use of the Meetinghouse.

5 Minutes for Public Discussion

Richard asked if they were interested in seeing the water that came down his road last week. It was during the Thursday storm. He was asked if he had called the Road Agent. Richard noted he had not, but that the Police viewed the road. Richard noted that a load of gravel was put down with the plow on the truck used to smooth it out. He noted that the road is now higher than his driveway and the water runs through his driveway and onto his patio.

Richard asked why he should have to put up with this every time it rains or snows. He feels the road should be corrected and made safe.

Other Business (as agenda is subject to change)

Hugh noted elections are coming up.

Non-Public Session per RDS 91-A: 3 II (a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, i) As Necessary
Legal & Personnel

Correspondence – FYI

Important changes to us of Surveyors & “Engineering Surveys”

ZBA Notice of Public Hearing

ZBA Record of Decision

NHDES Underground Storage Tank (UST) System Certificate of Notification

Xfinity TV Changes & Notice

MCRD postal cost changes

Chris motioned to adjourn, Virginia seconded the motion. The motion passed. Hugh adjourned the meeting at 7:43 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Betsy Bosiak,
Acting Recording Secretary

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