

TOWN OF NORTH HAVEN
Board of Selectmen
January 10, 2017
4:00 p.m.

Minutes

SELECTMEN PRESENT: Jon Emerson (Chair), Linda Darling, Kat Alexander, Stacy Beverage & Jonathan Demmons

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR: Joe Stone

AVAILABLE: TAX COLLECTOR, Janice Hopkins

AVAILABLE: TREASURER, Joette Adams

ALSO PRESENT: Peter Cooper

1. Jon Emerson called the Meeting to order at 4:00 PM
2. **Motion to approve the Minutes of January 3, 2017**
Made by Darling, seconded by Alexander **Approved 5-0-0**
3. **Public Comment** – None
4. **Treasurer's Report**

a. Approval of Bills, Warrants, Payroll Journals and Journal Entries:

Warrant # 2	in the amount of	\$9,703.58
Warrant # 2-A	in the amount of	\$8,873.94
Warrant # 53	in the amount of	\$185,729.59
Warrant # 53-A	in the amount of	\$8,585.78
Payroll Warrant # 1	in the amount of	\$20,627.09
Payroll Warrant # 1-A	in the amount of	\$3,261.18

Motion to approve Bills, Warrants, Payroll Journals and Journal Entries
Made by Beverage, seconded by Darling **Approved 5-0-0**

5. **Correspondence:**

a. *Letter from Becky Bartovics re: burn pile*

Although Bartovics' letter was apparently intended to be received before the burn pile by the Transfer Station was actually lit, in fact the burn had been started on Monday. The letter complains that there are materials in the burn pile that are prohibited from open burns. Most of these prohibited materials are listed on the instructional sign at the pile but not all. Among the additional prohibited materials apparently are particle board and plywood. With TS Manager Cooper present, the Board considered what options might be available to bring the burn pile into compliance with DEP regulations. Among the options considered was to require inspection by TS personnel of any loads before they were disposed of in the burn pile. An inspection regime might require that the pile be gated and locked and that an attendant make him/herself available on demand to open it. A surveillance camera might also be required. Meanwhile, a public education effort needs

to be made. More stringent restrictions on what can be burned may mean that more contractors rent their own containers for major projects or that the Town's demo dumpster may fill up more quickly. A DEP action which banned the public burn pile raises the specter of numerous smaller, private burns posing both environmental and wildfire dangers.

b. *Resignation from Budget Committee:*

Kathi Lovell has tendered her resignation from the Budget Committee, which the Board accepted with regret. Various Board members suggested some names of possible replacements to Darling in her Town Search Committee role. The Budget Committee will begin its annual round of meetings on 1/25.

6. Reports:

a. Administrator:

i. Clinic

1. No update

ii. Sewer Department:

1. See § 7(a) below
2. On arrival at the Rockland Terminal, the Ted Berry Co. learned that its truck was oversized for the reservation it had. After a last minute consultation at 9:25 AM, we agreed to reschedule the work as soon as possible after the predicted gale force storm had passed. Meanwhile, Sewer Dept. personnel have located and marked the manholes which will need to be lifted to accommodate the search for laterals both on Pulpit Harbor Rd, and time permitting, on upper Main St. as well.

iii. Water Department:

1. Standpipe ladder has been repaired.

iv. Bartlett's Harbor

1. No update.

v. Ferry Service:

1. Stone will seek a status report from Clinic on whether staff is ready to test the lockbox with a high/low thermometer.

vi. Transfer Station

1. See § 5 (a) above

vii. Floats & Docks

1. See below §7 (b) below

viii. Roads & Bridges:

1. Ordered replacement snow fencing to be delivered to E.L. Spear

ix. Town Properties

1. No updates

x. Legal

1. No update

xi. Sheriff's Dept:

Date	Incident	Deputy
1/5	Alarm	Elwell
1/5	Car/deer accident	Potter
1/6	Property checks	Pinkham
1/7	Property checks	Walker
1/8	Well-being check, property checks	Walker

7. Old Business:

- a. *Sewer Plant Bond:* Bond counsel Eaton Peabody had provided the rest of the documents which had not been ready for last week's meeting for Board members to sign. They did so.
- b. *Pulpit Harbor Float:* Harbor Master Campbell was expected at the meeting to report on the float but failed to appear. Jerry White had completed welding repairs on the float ramp but the Board still does not know when the float will be re-positioned.

8. New Business:

- a. *Donation:* acknowledging that the Town often sent flowers in sympathy to employees bereaved by recent losses and also that more and more frequently, death notices often requested donations in lieu of flowers, the Board voted to make a \$100 donation to Sussman House in memory of Nancy Terrio, recently deceased wife of Larry Terrio, the Town's Plumbing Inspector.

Motion to make donation as described above

Made by Alexander, seconded by Beverage

Approved 5-0-0

9. Other:

- a. Alexander announced her intention not to seek re-election to the Select Board at the expiration of her term which is this March. Emerson suggested to Stone that he might publicize the expected openings in both the Select Board and School Board in the next *North Haven News*.
- b. Beverage will not be able to attend the Board meeting on 1/24.
- c. Beginning 1/24, Darling will be participating by teleconference through February.

Motion to adjourn at 5:00 PM

Made by Darling, seconded by Beverage

Approved 5-0--0