

TOWN OF NORTH HAVEN
Board of Selectmen
February 16, 2016
4:00 p.m.

Minutes

SELECTMEN PRESENT: Bill Trevaskis, Linda Darling, Jon Emerson, Kat Alexander & Stacy Beverage
TOWN ADMINISTRATOR: Joe Stone
AVAILABLE: TAX COLLECTOR, Janice Hopkins
AVAILABLE: TREASURER, Joette Adams
ALSO PRESENT: Ben Lovell

1. Bill Trevaskis called the Meeting to order at 4:00 PM
2. **Motion to approve the Minutes of February 9, 2016**
Made by Alexander, seconded by Beverage **Approved 4-0-0¹**
3. **Public Comment** – None
4. **Treasurer’s Report**
 - a. Approval of Bills, Warrants, Payroll Journals and Journal Entries:

Warrant # 7	in the amount of	\$176,776.24
Warrant # 7-A	in the amount of	\$1,585.24
Payroll Warrant # 6	in the amount of	\$3,295.50
- Motion to approve Bills, Warrants, Payroll Journals and Journal Entries**
Made by Darling, seconded by Alexander **Approved 5-0-0**
5. **Correspondence:** None
6. **Reports:**
 - a. Administrator:
 - i. Clinic
 1. No update
 - ii. Sewer Department:
 1. Department has notified Main St. property owner that she has until 1/31 to arrange for disconnection of yard drain from sanitary sewer. USPS receipt has been returned, signed (no update)
 - iii. DEP/DMR:
 1. No update
 - iv. Water Department:
 1. No update
 - v. Bartlett’s Harbor
 1. No update.

¹ Emerson arrived after the vote

- vi. Ferry Service
 - 1. An apparent agreement on a procedure to transport clinic specimens has been reached. After the meeting, Board learned from Sen. Dave Miramant that the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation had voted unanimous approval of LD 1468.
- vii. Watson Airstrip
 - 1. Stone reported that he had reviewed the amended agreement and would be circulating his comments on it to the Board.
- viii. Legal
 - 1. Attorney Paul Gibbons is attempting to learn why it has taken so long (almost a year) for the Knox County Superior Court to make a decision on the Nebo/Wolfram issue
- ix. Floats & Docks
 - 1. Draft of potential new ordinance has been circulated to Board of Selectmen and Harbor Masters for comment and review (no update)
- x. Roads & Bridges:
 - 1. Board asked Stone to check in with MDOT's Mike Wight on Pulpit Harbor Bridge.
- xi. EMA
 - 1. Follow-up on EMA initiative should begin as soon as budget/town report project is completed
- xii. Budget Committee
 - 1. Meetings are concluding this week.

b. Sheriff's Dept:

Date	Incident	Deputy
2/11	Disabled vehicle, well-being check, property checks	Hills
2/12	Traffic detail, school visit, foot patrol, property checks	Hills

7. Old Business:

a. Budget Question

- i. Stone reported that the Budget Committee had proposed an alternative formula for employee health insurance premium subsidies to the one he had originally proposed for 2016. Treasurer Adams had calculated the costs of several different subsidy scenarios. In the end, Selectmen concurred with Budget Committee recommendation that the Town cover 90% of the cost of individual premiums and 85% of the cost of family premiums. Budget Committee is expected to ratify this formula at its next meeting.

8. New Business:

a. Calderwood Brewery

- i. Ben Lovell was in to ask the Board to consider potential, future adjustments to the brewery's sewer bills. The O & M charge for sewer generally is based on the amount of metered water entering the premises and eventually being discharged into the sewer. Ben asked that consideration be given to the fact that a significant portion of the incoming, metered water, will be captured in the product and not discharged into the sewer. He also pointed out that that portion can be easily calculated. The Board concurred that his request was reasonable but that any

actual determination would wait until the brewery was actually in operation. It is possible that Ben's production will not exceed billing minimums in any case. Stone reported that the Sewer Dept. will also be testing the effluent when this small brewery begins operations to determine whether any adjustments in sewage treatment protocols need to be made as a result of the discharge of the brewery's organic byproducts.

9. Other:

- a. *Search Committee:*
 - i. Stone shared upcoming vacancies on various town boards and committees with the Select Board. The Board used the occasion to remind itself that the Search Committee was not a nominating committee, that its task was simply to identify at least one candidate for each open position. The vacancy list will be, as always, publicly posted. Actual nominations only occur on the floor at Town Meeting. Darling asked Stone to circulate the list to the rest of the Search Committee (the chairs of the Planning Board and School Board).
- b. *Compensation for lost wages:*
 - i. Board asked Stone to review with Adams current policy on compensating Town employees who sacrifice regular hourly wages while participating in Town-sanctioned volunteer activities, such as, but not limited to, emergency medical service. He will report back to the Board on the policy and its practical implications.

Motion to adjourn at 5:20 PM