

TOWN OF NORTH HAVEN
Board of Selectmen
March 1, 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
ABSENT: TREASURER, Joette Adams

1. Bill Trevaskis called the Meeting to order at 4:00 PM

2. **Motion to approve the Minutes of February 23, 2016**
Made by Emerson, seconded by Beverage **Approved 4-0-1**

3. **Public Comment** – None

4. **Treasurer's Report**

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

Warrant # 9	in the amount of	\$8,249.77
Warrant # 9-A	in the amount of	\$502.00

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 updates.

ii. Sewer Department:

1. Note from neighbor of Main St. property owner indicating she has not received last two certified notices. See below § 7 (b).

2. Update from Olver Assocs. due this week

iii. DEP/DMR:

1. No update

iv. Water Department:

1. Hopkins and Stone plan to sit down with Marquis to discuss the old pumping station as MMA Risk Mgmt. is requiring either rehabilitation or removal.

v. Bartlett's Harbor

1. No update.

vi. Ferry Service

1. See below § 8 (b)

- vii. Watson Airstrip
 - 1. See below § 7 (a).
- viii. Legal
 - 1. Attorney Paul Gibbons is attempting to learn why it has taken so long (almost a year) for the KC Superior Court to make a decision on the Nebo/Wolfram issue. No further update.
- 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. Stone read the email dated 2-17 from Mike Wight who summarized status of the PH Bridge:
 - a. MDOT is finalizing design and plans
 - b. MDOT obtaining environmental permits and completing the ROW process.
 - c. Plans to meet with Mayfields to discuss limits of clearing and landscaping options.
 - d. Stone will discuss disposing of excess granite at the Crabtree Farm site with Road Commissioner Brown
- xi. EMA
 - 1. Follow-up on EMA initiative should begin soon since budget/town report project is completed
- xii. Deputy
 - 1. Board is committed to following up on reducing the challenges the VH based deputy faces, particularly in the summer, in obtaining transport across the Thorofare.

b. Sheriff's Dept:

Date	Incident	Deputy
2/23	Information	Potter
2/26	Property checks	Redmun
2/27	Property checks, unsecured premises	Spear

7. **Old Business:**

a. *Norfam/Watson*

- i. Board reviewed and discussed the draft Stone had written of a response to the 1-14-16 version of an Agreement between Norfam and the Town to replace the 1991 Agreement. Among the points raised in the draft response is that there should be *two* agreements, one between the Town and Norfam and the other between the air carrier and Norfam. Among the Town's concerns with the 1-14 version is that it confuses actions that the Town can take with actions that only PIA can take. Board asked Stone to share the response with PIA before sending it to Norfam and its attorney.

b. *Sewer Dept.*

- i. Department received a note, with a package returning the Department's 12-30 notice to the principal of Parrish House Inc. of the ongoing violation of the Sewer Ordinance. The note, signed only with initials, states that the sender is a neighbor of the owner of the property at 179 Main St. and that the owner is abroad and incommunicado until May. Our most recent certified mailing, dated 2-25-16

formally imposes escalating fines beginning March 7. Those fines will be imposed as outlined in that letter.

- c. *Search Committee*
 - i. Darling reported on progress in identifying candidates for most of the open positions and was hopeful that the Committee would be able to identify candidates for the last few openings well in advance of the March 12 Town Meeting.
- 8. New Business:**
- a. *Water/Sewer Abatement:* Board reviewed Kim Ranlett's request for an abatement of charges incurred for overages in the property she has inhabited only a short period. Hopkins had calculated abatements i/a/o \$264.48 and \$456.00 for water and sewer respectively for overages caused by unusual and non-recurring circumstances.

Motion to abate water and sewer charges i/a/o \$264.48 and \$456.00 respectively for water and sewer for Kim Ranlett
Made by Alexander, seconded by Beverage **Approved 5-0-0**
 - b. *Ferry Service Advisory Board:* since Lisa Shields is unable to attend the 3/10 FSAB meeting in Rockland, Stone will attend as the Town's alternate to the Board. It should be an opportunity to discuss the progress towards implementing the medical lockbox project.
- 9. Other:**
- a. Stone reported that on reading a summary of the hearing to which he had submitted testimony last week on *LD 1586, An Act To Implement Recommendations of the Right to Know Advisory Committee Concerning Remote Participation in Public Proceedings*, he made contact with both Rep. Kumiega and Sen. Miramant to express the Board's opposition to it. Miramant had responded that there is an amendment proposed by Sen. Chris Johnson which would, if adopted, allow Towns to vote to continue to permit remote participation in Select Board meetings. He also stated that without that amendment, he would vote against LD 1586.

Motion to adjourn at 5:25 PM
Made by Darling, seconded by Beverage

Approved 5-0-0