

TOWN OF NORTH HAVEN

Board of Selectmen

June 28, 2016

4:00 p.m.

Minutes

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

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR: Joe Stone

ABSENT: TAX COLLECTOR, Janice Hopkins

TREASURER, Joette Adams

ALSO PRESENT: Julie Record

1. Jon Emerson called the Meeting to order at 4:00 PM

2. **Motion to approve the Minutes of June 21, 2016
Made by Demmons, seconded by Alexander**

Approved 4-0-1

3. **Public Comment** – None

4. **Treasurer's Report**

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

Warrant #26	in the amount of	\$14,749.12
Warrant # 26-A	in the amount of	\$17,361.88
Payroll Warrant # 23	in the amount of	\$22,947.46
Payroll Warrant # 23-A	in the amount of	\$3,392.68

Motion to approve Bills, Warrants, Payroll Journals and Journal Entries

Made by Darling, seconded by Alexander

Approved 5-0-0

b. Adams brought the Board up to date on a project she is working on with the Town's auditing firm, Berry-Talbot-Royer. Encouraged by Marc Roy, who is our current contact on a day-to-day basis, she is being helped to convert the Town's accounting format to one that conforms more closely to the format which is used in the actual audited statements. Once the transformation is complete, data entry and end of year adjustments should be simpler. The actual out-of-pocket cost to the Town of the conversion is not likely to exceed \$1,000.

Motion to support the conversion of accounting categories and the incidental costs associated with it

Made by Alexander, seconded by Beverage

Approved 5-0-0

5. **Correspondence:** None

6. Reports:

a. Administrator:

i. Clinic

1. FNP Koen is on duty this week.

ii. Sewer Department:

1. Exploring financing options for upgrades at WWTF
2. DEP has accepted Olver Assoc. proposal and timeline
3. Olver Assocs. has been preparing a formal project status update for the DEP due on 6/30.
4. Stevens Electric was out on 6/23 to work on the ferry lift station and the Thayer lift station

iii. Water Department:

1. Glen has two scale sketches on which to indicate door/window placement for storage shed.

iv. DEP/DMR:

1. No update.

v. Bartlett's Harbor

1. No update.

vi. Ferry Service:

1. FSAB Representative Shields complained formally to Rockland Manager Anders about the attitude of a substitute captain when called out for a June 10 medical evacuation. (No further update).
2. Emerson, responding both to anecdotal evidence and personal observation, continued to express doubt about the wisdom and success of the schedule change from 2:15 to 2:05. The change does not appear to have accomplished its goal. As the summer season generates huge increases in traffic, the 2:05 boat does not seem to have enough time to unload and load. There are reports of low MSFS employee morale resulting from the added pressure to keep to a challenging schedule. The Board concurs that this issue still needs to be confronted in dialogue between the Town and the MSFS through the FSAB and perhaps also directly. The Town also needs an update on the progress of the lockbox installation project.

vii. Airstrips

1. No updates

viii. Transfer Station

1. Elliott Brown will fill the gully in on the north side of the road parallel to the demo and SW dumpsters to facilitate traffic flow. Brown estimated the cost at \$1K. He will be using fill left over from Second Bridge construction and belonging already to the Town

Motion to approve contracting with Brown Excavation to fill in the gully

Made by Alexander, seconded by Beverage Approved 5-0-0

ix. Floats & Docks

1. The revised Floats & Docks Ordinance was passed at 6/23 Special Town Meeting. It has been posted in the Ordinance section of the website.

- x. Floodplain Ordinance
 - 1. The updated Floodplain Ordinance was passed at 6/23 Special Town Meeting. It has also been posted on the website.
- xi. Roads & Bridges:
 - 1. Stone reported raising topic with MDOT of repaving PH Rd between the Grange and the Bridge when paver is mobilized in Spring 2017. Mike Wight, project manager, suggested that this is a topic for the Town to broach with the contractor once the contractor has been engaged.
 - 2. Board discussed the impact of speed humps. Some drivers have chosen to avoid them by using side streets. Record joined the meeting as the discussion was in progress and wished to question the value and safety of the humps. As they were installed with the approval of the DOT and conform to national traffic standards, the Board sees no reason to question their inherent safety. Stone will order another *Children Playing* sign to be installed on one of the side streets that has seen an increase in traffic. The Board is hopeful that the wider community will understand that the humps were installed in response to concerns raised by the parents and teachers of young children about traffic congestion and driver behavior, particularly in the heart of the village and that drivers will modify their habits accordingly.
- xii. Town Properties
 - 1. The ball field backstop has been ordered from Jaypro Sports. Awaiting arrival.

b. Sheriff's Dept:

Date	Incident	Deputy
6/23	Traffic detail, agency assist	Hills
6/24	Foot patrol, property checks, traffic detail, agency assist, found property	Hills
6/25	Property checks, animal problem, PI incident, drugs, PD accident, administrative	Hills
6/26	Property checks	Hills

7. **Old Business:**

a. *Floats & Docks*

i. *Thorofare*

- 1. *Dock Trashcans:* One individual has expressed an interest in hauling the trash to the dump three times a week. Handyman Davisson has hinged the lids so they won't blow away. Board ratified the language on the sign to be posted with the cans. Stone will let the collector candidate know the terms of the assignment.
- 2. *Life Ring:* now installed on the dock

ii. *Regulation Signs*

- 1. Board approved the text of language on signs for both PH and the Thorofare summarizing the regulations enacted in the new F & D ordinance. Stone will order the signs which will be posted at both docks. The road crew has agreed to stencil the tie-up and length limits on the

floats.

8. New Business:

- a. *Board of Assessors* is hosting a public meeting on revaluation on Wednesday, 6/29. Stone and several Board members will be attending.
- b. *Reserved Parking*
 - i. A Main St. homeowner in the village has requested the Town consider granting a reserved parking space. Given that there *may* be unusual circumstances, the Board tabled further discussion until their next meeting although it is disinclined, as it historically has always been, to grant *any* special parking privileges.

9. Other:

- a. Alexander reminded the Board that she will be on maternity leave for several weeks. The Board members expressed their best wishes for the impending birth of Margaret Oatmeal.

Motion to adjourn at 5:30 PM

Made by Darling, seconded by Alexander

Approved 5-0-0