

**TOWN OF NORTH HAVEN**  
**Board of Selectmen**  
**July 14, 2015, 2015**  
**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  
ALSO PRESENT: Nibs Nichols

1. Bill Trevaskis called the Meeting to order at 4:09 PM after Special Town Meeting

2. **Motion to approve the Minutes of July 7, 2015**  
**Made by Darling, seconded by Emerson** **Approved 5-0-0**

3. **Public Comment** – None

4. **Treasurer's Report**

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

b. Review of Journal Entries

Warrant # 28	in the amount of	\$5,851.49
Warrant # 28-A	in the amount of	\$11,006.17
Payroll Warrant # 26	in the amount of	\$30,146.94
Payroll Warrant # 26-A	in the amount of	\$3,230.80
Sewer Warrant # 12	in the amount of	\$18,024.47
Water Warrant # 16	in the amount of	\$19,593.57

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

5. **Correspondence:** None

6. **Reports:**

a. Administrator:

i. Clinic

1. See § 7 (a) below

ii. Sewer Department: no updates

1. Harlan Pease is in the process of diagnosing the problem with the flow meter.

iii. DEP/DMR:

1. No update

- iv. Water Department:
  - 1. No update
- v. Bartlett's Harbor
  - 1. No update
- vi. Ferry Service
  - 1. Emerson reported that on the FSAB Meeting of 7/9 Rick Dubois, MDOT's Director of Multimodal Operations, unexpectedly announced that his department was no longer entertaining the plan to use lockboxes to transport clinical blood samples. No satisfactory explanation was provided. Stone reported a subsequent telephone conversation with Dubois. He was also unable to obtain a satisfactory explanation or regulatory justification. Emerson's subcommittee of interested participants from the other affected islands do not intend to let Dubois' unsatisfactory fiat stand as the final word.
- vii. Watson Airstrip
  - 1. Blake Whitman, representing Norfam, acknowledged receipt of the response Stone has written to the draft of the proposed agreement between Town and Norfam. Stone's response had posed questions and suggested emendations.
- viii. Legal
  - 1. Wolfram v. Town of North Haven et al
    - a. Court is requiring all parties to "brief the issue" of whether the Board of Appeals should have been a *de novo* hearing or appellate, although all parties had stipulated that it was to have been a *de novo* hearing. Both the laymen among us and the Town's attorney are puzzled by what appears to be a pointless, time-consuming and expensive quibble.
- ix. Town Properties
  - 1. Town Garage:
    - a. The Special Town Meeting immediately preceding the Selectmen's Meeting on the EMS Bay project approved the \$15K addition to the Town Garage reserve needed to fund the construction this year.
- x. Floats & Docks
  - 1. Awaiting quote from an off-island vendor to replace PH floats
- xi. Roads & Bridges:
  - 1. *Pulpit Harbor Bridge*: the MDOT has scheduled a public hearing for 7/23 at WCC at 6.

Nibs Nichols was present on behalf of NHCP to summarize the concerns and objections of the group of abutters he represented, as well as other interested parties, particularly to the esthetics of the design. Selectmen were attentive to his concerns but deferred taking any formal position until after the 7/23 public hearing at WCC. Among their concerns was the effect of any delays caused by design modifications which might a) protract construction past mid-May 2016 or b) defer construction until 2017 (the latter triggering fears about both funding and about the condition of the bridge).

xii. Transfer Station

1. TS Manager Cooper has requested additional publicity and policies on the use of the recycling container. Large cardboard boxes need to be broken down; clothing, Styrofoam and household trash have been appearing with too great frequency in the recycling container. Stone will publicize his concerns in the *NHNews*, on the town website and on social media.

b. Sheriff's Dept:

<b>Date</b>	<b>Incident</b>	<b>Deputy</b>
7/8	Property checks, found property	Hansen
7/9	Radar detail, paperwork other agency, 911 Hang-up, property checks	Hansen
7/10	Alarm, radar detail, property checks	Hansen

7. **Old Business:**

a. *FNP Recruitment*

- i. Selectmen Emerson and Darling, who are members of the Search Committee, reported on status of recruitment effort. The Search Committee has interviewed four, and identified two, potential finalists and has directed FNP Ferra to assess a late applicant and recommend whether that applicant should also be invited out for a face-to-face interview.

8. **New Business:**

- a. *Town Clerk Position:* following Town Clerk Alicia Brown's appointment to the Office Assistant position at the NH Clinic, Stone had posted the Clerk's position. There were two applicants, including former Town Clerk Kathleen Macy. In light of her previous, successful experience in the Clerk position, Selectmen re-appointed her. Meanwhile, until she takes her duties up, they appointed Joette Adams as interim Town Clerk.

**Motion to hire Kathleen Macy as Town Clerk**

**Made by Beverage, seconded by Alexander**

**Approved 5-0-0**

**Motion to appoint Joette Adams as interim Town Clerk**

**Made by Alexander, seconded by Beverage**

**Approved 5-0-0**

9. **Other:**

- a. Emerson reminded Stone that he was to ask one of the Town Handymen to inspect the Town Office gutters.
- b. Emerson asked Stone to ask one of the Town Handymen to remove the saplings growing up through the basketball court fence.
- c. Alexander requested Stone to ask FIEC to remove/replace the poles at the ballfield.
- d. Emerson will be out on the 28<sup>th</sup>.

**Motion to adjourn at 5:40**

**Made by Darling, seconded by Beverage**

**Approved 5-0-0**