

**TOWN OF FRANCONIA
BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 19, 2018 AT TOWN HALL**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Eric Meth, Jeff Blodgett, Jill Brewer.

OTHERS PRESENT: Holly Burbank, Jenny Monahan, Justin Roshak, Peter Grote, Bob Montagno.

The meeting was called to order at 3:00pm.

APPOINTMENTS:

None.

SIGN/APPROVE:

The November 5, 2018 meeting minutes were approved as written.

The November 21, 2018 Transaction List was reviewed and approved.

A Property Tax Abatement for \$44 was approved.

A Septic Permit Application for Map 5 Lot 11 was approved.

Chairman Brewer signed the annual contract with Plodzik & Sanderson.

NH DES Wetland Permit:

Town Administrator Burbank explained that a resident on Mountain View Road has an issue that requires the installation of a culvert that will require working in the Town's Right of Way. She said Town Legal counsel has reviewed the plans and had no concerns, but recommended that the Board sign the letter rather than Scott Leslie.

TO DISCUSS/REVIEW:

5 Year Town Building Inventory Plan: Town Administrator Burbank met with Karen Foss for an update on the CIP Committee's recent meetings. Holly let the Board know that Karen recommended having Buildings & Grounds complete an inventory of the Town's buildings so they can be part of the CIP in the future.

FEMA Pemigewasset Watershed Study: The Town was sent a meeting announcement and questionnaire from FEMA that was sent to all towns that are part of the Pemigewasset Watershed. Town Administrator Burbank suggested that the Board examine the survey that she emailed to them and said that she would incorporate some other Town employees, board and committee members to determine who may wish to attend the meeting.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR UPDATE:

Holly Burbank reported that she is still working through department budgets and other end of year processes.

Regarding the pavilion, she received an update from Kim Cowles advising that there is no work planned this week, but construction should start next week. The project may not be completed by December 13th as planned.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Holly Burbank let the Board know that Gardiner, Fulton and Waugh have merged with another firm and will be under Drummond Woodsman Law Firm going forward.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Conservation Commission: Chairman Brewer said there is a meeting 11/20.

CIP: None.

Energy Commission: Selectman Meth said there is a meeting 11/20 and asked Town Administrator Burbank if there may be any old Town Hall audits available. She said possibly, we would need to look upstairs for them. Eric also inquired about having Jenny Monahan take over inputting the Town's energy usage data into the EPA website. Town Administrator Burbank said Jenny can start doing that for January 1, 2019 and will just need Karen Foss to show her the process.

Planning Board: Selectman Meth said Planning Board is scheduled to meet 11/27. Town Administrator Burbank reminded Selectman Meth that the Planning Board needs to hold two public hearings for the change in zoning article before the end of the year. Selectman Meth said he would address that with the Planners.

Northern Pass: Selectman Meth said a resident in Easton who was very involved in the Northern Pass intervener movement suggested that Franconia may wish to pursue warrant articles that may give the Town greater authority over their roadways against entities such as Eversource/Northern Pass. Selectman Meth dictated the three suggested warrant articles for the Board. Town Administrator Burbank voiced a concern about how the articles would affect other projects and suggested consulting with Town Legal Counsel before moving forward with the articles. Selectman Meth said he would reach out to the attorney.

Cable Consortium: Selectman Meth said there was a recent meeting but no quorum.

Chamber of Commerce: Selectman Blodgett said the Chamber held their annual dinner and awarded Jayne O'Connor the Northern Star award.

OTHER DISCUSSION:

Tennis Court Project: Selectman Meth said Cindy Berlack is still working to pull together some quotes for her proposed tennis court refurbishing project at the Academy. He said Cindy had pondered whether Scott Leslie could be of assistance. Holly Burbank said she would mention it to him.

Sam's Place: Selectman Meth said Kris Pastoriza had found someone that could move Sam's Place, and was wondering who she should contact about moving the tires. Town Administrator Burbank said she would need to research the prior discussion to see what the agreement was.

PUBLIC INPUT: None.

The Board entered non-public session at 3:48 pm pursuant to RSA 91-A:3,II(c).

The Board left non-public session at 3:52 pm.

With no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 3:52pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jenny Monahan
Administrative Secretary