

ASHLAND BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES
WORK SESSION
MONDAY, MARCH 20, 2017
ASHLAND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
6:30 PM

Chairman Newton called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM with a roll call. Chairman Fran Newton, Selectmen Tejasinha Sivalingam, Casey Barney, and Harold Lamos, present. Selectman Leigh Sharps was absent. Others Present: Town Administrator Charles Smith and Office Manager Wendy Smith

Chairman Newton introduced and swore in new Selectman Casey Barney and introduced previously sworn in Tejasinha Sivalingam.

APPROVALS

Erica Hebert was appointed and sworn in as new Planning Board member.

OLD BUSINESS

Site Access Agreement-TA Smith sent agreement to Primex upon advice of Attorney Whitley. Primex approved of the agreement from an insurance standpoint. Chairman Newton stated she would like the attorney to come to a meeting to give his full legal input and postpone discussion until after that has happened. Board agreed to postpone.

Project List:

- Mill Packard Building-TA Smith notified property owner about Nobis Engineering and NH DES site testing and has had no response. TA Smith notified Nobis Engineering who will be in contact with NHDES.
- Town telecommunications; expanding the Internet broadband with the school might not be suitable because of the funding parameters for the school. Project could possibly move forward with Library.
- LCHIP grant-Vote didn't pass for study but grant has a two year holding period so it can be addressed again next year.
- Town hall fire system-TA Smith will be contacting new companies for estimates.
- Board of Selectmen Operational Guideline handbook-discussion moved to next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Parks & Recreation After School Program Policy – Parks & Rec Director, Ann Barney read policy she would like to have put in place regarding child pickup. Discussion about the plan followed with selectmen and Chief Randall. Selectman Sivalingam motioned to approve the plan as stands. Selectman Lamos seconded. All in favor.

Site Plan Violation – Tax Map/Lot 016-002-006 – Complaints about parking violations on the property were forwarded to the Planning Board who suggested the Board bring the issue into compliance because of safety concerns. Selectman Sivalingam read his recommendations regarding enforcement and stated his concern regarding due process. TA Smith will run the recommendations

by legal. Chief Randall said time frame should be soon due to it being a traffic hazard. Selectman Lamos motioned to have letter written, seconded by Selectman Barney. Selectman Sivalingam amended motion to have two copies of the letter sent a week apart. All in favor.

NH Voter Fraud letter to Governor Sununu -TA Smith read letter to the governor asking to investigate accusations made by the President about voter fraud and if found to be baseless, request the administration retract its comments. The Board approved sending the letter and having TA Smith sign on their behalf.

SELECTBOARD ITEMS

Selectmen Liaison appointments – Selectmen reassignments and liaison appointments were tabled until Leigh Sharps is present.

Selectman Sivalingam suggested that Planning and Zoning appointments be elected positions and to having a liaison position considered for Water and Sewer.

There being no other business, Selectman Lamos made **Motion to go into Non-Public Pursuant to RSA 91-A:3,II (e) at 7:15 PM**. Selectman Sivalingam seconded. All in favor 4-0 **Roll Call Vote:** Lamos, yes; Sivalingam, yes, Barney, yes, Newton, yes.

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy Smith
March 21, 2017