

**Minutes of Meeting  
CONWAY BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
August 3, 2021**

The Selectmen's Meeting convened at 4:00 pm in the Meeting Room of Conway Town Hall with the following present: C. David Weathers, Mary Carey Seavey, Carl Thibodeau, John Colbath, Steven Porter, Town Manager, Thomas Holmes, and Executive Secretary, Krista Day

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Weathers led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Weathers stated that they would be adding the following:

11cc. Permit to Sell Raffle Tickets for NCCC from 8/3/21-9/12/21

14a. Granite Outdoors First Mingler (7/21/21 and 9/23/21)

18a. Non-Public Session RSA 91-A :3 II (c) – Tax Matter

**Mr. Colbath moved, seconded by Mr. Porter, to approve the agenda as amended. The motion carried unanimously.**

PUBLIC HEARING ON NO PARKING SIGNS ON HURRICANE MT. ROAD

Mr. Weathers opened the public hearing at 4:02 pm.

Tyler Palmer, from 734 Hurricane Mt. Road appeared before the Board.

He explained that he had written a letter to the Board requesting no parking signs on Hurricane Mountain Road as he believes there is a huge safety issue with people who are using the recreational trails parking on the road.

65 years.

Resident Vicky MacDougall, 772 Hurricane Mt. Road appeared before the Board. She explained that she lives across from the Kearsarge Trailhead, and is very concerned about safety in terms of the cars parking on the road.

Oren Bentley at 866 Hurricane Mt. Road and John Purnell from 928 Hurricane Mt. Road appeared before the Board to express their concerns regarding safety and parking.

Mr. Purnell suggested looking into expanding the trailhead parking lot.

The Town noted that they would reach out to the Forest Service regarding the possibility of expanding the parking lot.

There was much discussion regarding the confusion of Town lines and State right of way.

Debbie Blazedell, from 2606 Hurricane Mt. Road noted that she lives on the other side of Hurricane Mt. Road and there are issues there as well.

Curtis Blazedell noted that if they are going to address the bottom of the road, they need to address the top as well.

Mr. Weathers ended the public hearing at 4:34 pm.

**Mr. Colbath moved, seconded by Mr. Porter, to instruct the staff to move forward with erecting no parking signs on the south side of Hurricane Mt. Road from the intersection of Kearsarge to the metal gate. They will seek information regarding the right of way and seek permission to post signs from the State. The motion carried unanimously.**

#### SIGNING OF TANS DOCUMENTS

**Mr. Colbath moved, seconded by Mr. Porter, to sign the TANS documents. The motion carried unanimously.**

#### DISCUSSION OF SOLID WASTE CAPITAL RESERVE FUND REQUEST FOR DUMP TRAILER REPLACEMENT

Public Works Director Andrew Smith explained that while the dump trailer and tractor are on the schedule to purchase in 2022 using funds from the Solid Waste Capital Reserve Fund, he would like authorization to purchase them this year.

He noted that they currently have \$300,000 in the account and with the increasing prices of aluminum and other materials, he believes that it would be smart to purchase now.

**Mr. Thibodeau moved, seconded by Ms. Seavey, to allow Mr. Smith to move forward with purchasing the dump trailer and start the process for purchasing the tractor. The motion carried unanimously.**

#### DISCUSSION OF MITIGATION LANDS – PEQUAWKET

Mr. Weathers explained that the Town had the right of first refusal for land that had been taken by the State for the proposed bypass.

Mr. DegliAngeli had recommended that the Town support the transfer of land to the Upper Saco Valley Land Trust as Stewards of the land.

**Mr. Thibodeau moved, seconded by Mr. Colbath, to authorize the Chairman to sign a letter of support for the transfer of conservation/wetland property on Pequawket to the Upper Saco Valley Land Trust as stewards of the land. The motion carried unanimously.**

#### DISCUSSION OF OLD RECREATION CENTER PROPERTY

Mr. Holmes noted that they had the well tested and they were working on the design for a cistern.

It was stated that they have money in the budget for irrigation.

Mr. Colbath noted that they had a meeting with a newly formed pickleball committee and talked with Mr. Smith.

They may have a few leads on the donation of materials.

Mr. Holmes noted that during a webinar regarding the APRA funds, it was stated that if projects aren't specifically mentioned in the treasury's guidance, but you are showing a revenue loss, you can spend the money on it, however, he feels that it will be a gamble.

**Mr. Colbath moved, seconded by Ms. Seavey, to proceed with the construction of two pickleball courts at the Old Recreation Center park. The motion carried unanimously,**

Mr. Colbath noted that he is confident they can get some donations in order to reduce some costs.

Mr. Holmes stated that the North Conway Water Precinct had contacted him to ask that they review their two other projects He added that this will be on the agenda for August 17, 2021.

#### PARKING UPDATE

Mr. Holmes explained that they are back in the black in terms of parking revenue.

The increase in good weather has increased parking immensely.

Mr. Holmes noted that the parking kiosk at Meeting House Road had been reprogrammed to three dollars an hour to help with those who used the site for dog walking and/or hiking.

Mr. Eastman noted that they added a handicap parking space at Conway Lake.

REVIEW OF RECEIPTS

The receipts were available for review.

SIGNING OF DOCUMENTS

- a. Warrant for Land Use Change Tax on Map/Lot 250-47
- b. Warrant for Land Use Change Tax on Map/Lot 250-81
- c. Warrant for Land Use Change Tax on Map/Lot 250-32
- d. Warrant for Land Use Change Tax on Map/Lot 250-38
- e. Warrant for Land Use Change Tax on Map/Lot 250-71
- f. Warrant for Land Use Change Tax on Map/Lot 249-6
- g. Warrant for Land Use Change Tax on Map/Lot 263-66
- h. Warrant for Land Use Change Tax on Map/Lot 250-43
- i. Warrant for Land Use Change Tax on Map/Lot 263-62
- j. Warrant for Land Use Change Tax on Map/Lot 250-99
- k. Warrant for Land Use Change Tax on Map/Lot 250-94
- l. Warrant for Land Use Change Tax on Map/Lot 250-87
- m. Warrant for Land Use Change Tax on Map/Lot 250-100
- n. Warrant for Land Use Change Tax on Map/Lot 250-23
- o. Municipality Land Use Change Tax Bill on Map/Lot 250-47
- p. Municipality Land Use Change Tax Bill on Map/Lot 250-81
- q. Municipality Land Use Change Tax Bill on Map/Lot 250-32
- r. Municipality Land Use Change Tax Bill on Map/Lot 250-38
- s. Municipality Land Use Change Tax Bill on Map/Lot 250-71
- t. Municipality Land Use Change Tax Bill on Map/Lot 249-6
- u. Municipality Land Use Change Tax Bill on Map/Lot 263-66
- v. Municipality Land Use Change Tax Bill on Map/Lot 250-43
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- x. Municipality Land Use Change Tax Bill on Map/Lot 250-94
- y. Municipality Land Use Change Tax Bill on Map/Lot 250-87
- z. Municipality Land Use Change Tax Bill on Map/Lot 250-100
- aa. Municipality Land Use Change Tax Bill on Map/Lot 250-23
- bb. Intent to Cut Wood or Timber on Map/Lot 230-122, 225-56, 225-102, 245-29.2
- cc. Permit to Sell Raffle Tickets for North Conway Community Center from 8/3/21-9/12/21

**Mr. Colbath moved, seconded by Ms. Seavey, to sign the documents listed above in a. through cc. The motion carried unanimously.**

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

- a. AP Manifest dated 8/5/2021

**Mr. Colbath moved, seconded by Ms. Seavey, to sign the AP Manifest dated 8/5/2021. The motion carried unanimously.**

RATIFICATION OF DOCUMENTS SIGNED OUT OF SESSION

- a. AP Manifest dated 7/29/21
- b. Payroll dated 7/29/21

**Mr. Colbath moved, seconded by Ms. Seavey to ratify the documents signed out of session listed above in a. and b. The motion carried unanimously.**

REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF SPECIAL EVENT APPLICATION(S)

- a. Granite Outdoors Mingler (7/21 and 9/23)

**Mr. Colbath moved, seconded by Ms. Seavey, to signed the special event application as listed above. The motion carried unanimously.**

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

- a. Regular Minutes from 7/20/2021

**Mr. Colbath moved, seconded by Ms. Seavey, to adopt the Regular minutes from 7/20/2021. The motion carried unanimously.**

TOWN MANAGER REPORT

Mr. Holmes noted that they are still looking for someone to serve as Supervisor of the Checklist.

Mr. Holmes stated that they are going to have their janitorial staff go to the old Town Hall to clean it prior to listing any spaces for rent.

BOARD REPORTS

Ms. Seavey noted that the Economic Council met and that the Redstone Group has purchased lots 3 and 4.

Mr. Colbath noted that the ZBA and Budget Committee will be meeting on Wednesday, August 18, 2021.

Mr. Porter stated that the Planning Board would be meeting August 12, 2021.

Mr. Porter added that the Historical Committee had met the previous week for an organizational meeting. They will be getting an inventory of all the homes that predate 1900 and will be meeting again at the end of the month.

Mr. Weathers stated that the Conservation Commission would be meeting the next week.

Mr. Weathers noted that the revenue source is going to be larger than expected for the timber cut in Redstone.

There was discussion regarding the Emergency Operations Plan that they Board had received for their comment and that was on the agenda for August 17, 2021.

### PUBLIC COMMENTS AND MEDIA QUESTIONS

Daymond Steer from Conway Daily Sun asked if North Conway had moved forward with applying for a Rural Development Grant.

Mr. Holmes noted that they would be able to apply due to their size, however, they have not reached out to him.

Mr. Steer inquired as to whether the Board of Selectmen or the Planning Board want to take another stab at modifying their zoning for short-term rentals.

Mr. Weathers stated that he would be surprised if there is not a warrant article regarding it, however, they have not done anything yet.

Mr. Porter spoke on behalf of the Planning Board. He noted that he would like to see something done, however, they need to have a Planning Director to really get it done.

Ms. Seavey stated that she believed the voters had already told them what to do.

It was stated that they are continuing to interview for the Planning Director position.

Mr. Steer noted that it had been announced that the recreation path was going out to bid.

**At 5:36 pm, Mr. Colbath moved, seconded by Mr. Thibodeau, to go into non-public session under RSA 91-A:3 II (C) – Tax Matter. The motion carried unanimously.**

### NON-PUBLIC SESSION RSA 91-A:3 II (C) – TAX MATTER

At 6 :05 pm, the Board returned to public session.

**Mr. Colbath moved, seconded by Mr. Thibodeau, to seal the minutes from this non-public session as divulgence of the information would render the proposed action ineffective. The motion carried unanimously.**

ADJOURN

**At 6:05 pm, the meeting adjourned at the call of the Chair.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Krista Day  
Executive Secretary