

Chairman Ken Ross-Raymond	Present
Selectman Jim Hoyt	Present
Selectman Pete Ballou	Present
Town Administrator Margaret Warren	Present
Municipal Assistant Jill Colardeau	Present

Visitors: Jennifer Hoyt, David Kelly, Gayle Landry, David MacDuffie, Marcia Murphy, Sharon MacDuffie, and Steve Wheeler.

Selectman Ross-Raymond opened the meeting at 5:30 PM. Selectman Ross-Raymond congratulated and welcomed Selectman Hoyt to the Board and other new members to different Boards and Committees.

- Review and Approve Minutes of March 6, 2019. Selectman Ross-Raymond made a motion to accept the March 6, 2019 meeting summary. Selectman Ballou moved the motion and Selectman Ross-Raymond seconded. All voted in favor.
- Review Accounts Payable & Payroll registers. Select board moved and accepted. All voted in favor.
- Selectman Hoyt made a motion recommending Selectman Ross-Raymond to continue as Chair for the Board of Selectman. Selectman Ballou seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

## **Departments:**

Road Agent MacDuffie - Road Update

- Road Agent MacDuffie noted everyday they are working on improving the roads. Load limit signs have been posted. Hensmith Road is in much better shape after grading but now people are driving faster on it which will cause more deterioration to the road.
- General discussion regarding roads/mud season Selectman Ross-Raymond recommended Road Agent MacDuffie speak first hand with the Epsom Road Agent and passed along contact information to him. According to the Road Agent in Epsom, they no longer have a mud season and have had big savings doing what they did to it alleviate it.
- The Selectmen's office has received a number of letters from residents with concerns/complaints regarding road conditions. TA Warren has responded to all those letters.

# Fire Chief MacDuffie - Update

• Fire Chief MacDuffie noted Comstar basic service rates have increased slightly for 2019 but less than Franklin's substantial rate increase. Will wait to finalize new rates.

### **Old Business:**

- Meeting Updates:
  - Cemetery Trustees Meeting TA Warren has advertised for the Sexton position and mowing letters of interest. After letters of interest are received a pre-bid meeting will be scheduled.
  - MVSD Annual Meeting Selectman Ross-Raymond attended and noted much discussion and noted the meeting went well.
  - Old Home Day Meeting Selectman Ross-Raymond will start attending the Old Home Day Committee meetings in place of former Selectman Joe Schmidl.
  - Recycling Committee Meeting Transfer Station Operator Wheeler noted the Mission Statement
    was discussed and adopted. General discussion on awareness of recycling issues and
    concentrating on residents recycling glass. Volunteers at the Transfer Station might be more
    willing to help at the Transfer Station as long as they would not need to be certified. Transfer
    Station Operator Wheeler noted the rate of paper decreased from \$140.00/ton down to

\$120.00/ton – next they will be working on the TVs and electronics. Selectman Hoyt suggested having Mike Durfor from NRRA to talk to someone and/or attend the BOS meeting and/or Recycling Committee meeting.

- Hazardous Mitigation Meeting work session. Selectman Ballou noted as these meetings need to continue and how it affects the town. Possible shelters within the town meet American Red Cross requirements. The Safety Building is not designated but will have the American Red Cross review for whatever may be needed.
- Adopting "No Thru Traffic" ordinance to reduce traffic and speed around Hensmith Road, Whittemore Road, Route 127, and Route 4.
- Meeting Reminders:
  - 3/21 BOS Joint Meeting w/Penacook, Canterbury, and Boscawen 5:30 PM at Academy Hall for discussion of long-term solutions of shared/regional ambulance services
  - o 3/27 Conservation Commission Meeting -7 PM at Academy Hall
  - 4/1 Planning Board Meeting 7 PM at Academy Hall
  - o 4/1 Hazardous Mitigation Meeting work session 5:30 PM at the Safety Building
  - o 4/4 Cemetery Trustees 4 PM at Academy Hall
- Andover Excavation Application Selectman Ballou attended the Andover ZBA meeting on 3/19 regarding a motion for a rehearing on the Champagne Excavation. Selectman Ballou noted from discussion, parts of the application needed to be reviewed and the ZBA did not rescind their original decision. The AZBA voted, (3 to 2), in favor of a rehearing scheduled to take place on 4/16 at 7 PM in Andover.
- Update on Transfer Station loader Transfer Station Operator Wheeler noted Beauregard Equipment's machinist on site will do the line boring for installing the frame. He is expecting the loader should be completed by next Wednesday. Selectman Ross-Raymond noted most of the cost would be covered by insurance.

### New Business:

- MVSD Currently an At-Large Board seat vacancy for 1 year looking for letters of interest and interviews to be done at the 4/8 meeting.
- Water issue/door in PD Safety Building TA Warren noted water issue at Safety Building door. General discussion to correct the situation from the snow falling off the metal roof. Many suggestions made from pulling up the walkway where the water is coming in, grading the area, constructing drainage around the area with stone. This issue will be added to the Project List.
- Committee Assignments for 2019
  - Selectman Hoyt has taken on the Ex Officio position on the Planning Board.
  - Selectman Ballou will be the Selectman member for the Recycling Committee.
  - Selectman Ross-Raymond will be the Selectman member on the Old Home Day Committee.
  - Selectman Hoyt will be the Town Representative for the Currier and Ives Scenic Byway Council.
- Public Comments:
  - Jennifer Hoyt noted changing the school bus entrance to the exit and changing the exit to the entrance when picking up/dropping off children to help alleviate congestion around Whittemore Road, Route 127, and onto Route 4. She noted she would talk with the school principal.
  - TC Landry noted the "No Thru Traffic" signs would not be acceptable and to look at the area during school hours concerning Whittemore Road.
- Other:
  - Conservation Commission Chair Kelly is planning a poster contest at the SES on April 19<sup>th</sup> for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grades and one for the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> grades. National Drinking Water Week is May 7<sup>th</sup> 13<sup>th</sup>.

- Conservation Commission Chair Kelly spent a day at the dump handing out sample water bottles from the State Lab for people to fill at home. Of the returned bottles to be tested, fifteen water bottles were chosen at random and tested. He discussed the importance/danger levels above the standard levels. He noted signs at the Safety Building and Transfer Station for testing your water and help taking water samples. The results are as follows;
  - Arsenic 2 samples above the standard level
  - Uranium 2 samples above the standard level
  - Radon 7 samples above the standard level
  - Coliform 6 samples above the standard level
  - E Coli 0 samples contained the bacteria
  - Lead 1 sample above the standard level while 6 samples contained lesser amounts
  - Manganese 5 samples above the standard level
  - Iron 3 samples above the standard level
- Jennifer Hoyt noted she would get the information out to the SES regarding the upcoming poster contest and water testing.
- General discussion regarding dirt roads v. paved roads. Road Agent MacDuffie noted the cost of paving a road runs around \$500,000.00/mile depending on the current condition of the road and the cost of maintaining a paved road. Paved roads would also increase property taxes for those residents. Selectman Hoyt noted a comparison between the cost of dirt v. paved roads to inform residents.

### Selectman Ross-Raymond moved to adjourn at 6:25 PM. Selectman Ballou seconded. All voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted:

Jill Colardeau, Municipal Assistant

Meeting Summary reviewed and accepted at the April 3, 2019 Meeting.

Selectmen, Town of Salisbury