

## **Wilmington Selectboard Meeting Minutes October 1, 2019**

**Present:** Tom Fitzgerald, John Gannon, Vince Rice, Sarah Fisher, Ann Manwaring

**Others Present:** Scott Tucker, Jessica DeFrancesco, Christine Richter, Thomas Simmons, Sheldon Brassor, John Broker-Campbell, Mike Tuller, Meg Staloff, Cheryl LaFlamme, Betsy Wadsworth, Steve Butler, Tom Consolino, Paul Trudeau, Janet Boyd, Adam Grinold, Todd Gareiss, Mike Eldred, Lynne Matthews, Cliff Duncan, Phil Taylor, Alan Robinson, Lisa Sullivan, Ken Spicer, Ben Joyce, Melanie Lopez, Scott Moore, Matt Murano, Chuck Clerici, Dennis Richter, Haley Frano, Ken Frano, Joy Powell, Ellen Ostrander, Mike Quinn

Meeting called to order at

### 1. Flood and Fluvial Erosion Hazard Regulations Public Hearing

Hearing called to order at 6:00 pm

Phil Taylor-what happens to an existing bridge on a property that needs repair or replacement?

Todd Gareiss asked if there had been any study to the positive/negative impacts to the development of the town by passing a regulation like this one. There had not been.

Adam Grinold commented that over the 3 years this has been in the works, he has not heard many, if any, townspeople speaking in favor of this regulation, other than Planning Commission members.

Ken Spicer commented on the small size of the chimney hill lots and how this will affect those properties.; some becoming unbuildable.

Some commented that they feel the property owners whom this affects should have been notified directly.

Lisa Sullivan feels that flood mitigation and the rivers should be being looked, with a holistic approach, rather than these other regulations.

Cliff Duncan feels that it is a land owners right to build a structure on their land, in the flood plain or not, if they so choose, and not be regulated by the state or anyone else.

Whitingham is looking at a different solution; widening the river through the downtown, and some other things.

Hearing closed at 6:43 pm

### 2. Visitors, Public Comments, Possible Changes to the Agenda

- Add "Selectboard to possibly vote to approve the Flood and Fluvial Erosion Hazard Regulations" before approval of minutes. Gannon is worried about adding this item to the agenda. Manwaring would like to see data on economic impact and reach out to impacted landowners. This will be taken up again on December 3, 2019.

### 3. Approve Minutes of September 17, 2019

- Gannon to approve the minutes of September 17, 2019, Rice second; 4-0 Fisher abstained

### 4. Action Items

- Gannon moved to appoint Mike Tuller to the remainder of a one-year term as Windham Regional Commission Representative, Fisher second; all in favor.
- The furnace at the highway garage is undersized. It was originally supposed to be two furnaces. Gannon moved to approve the proposal from Lane Plumbing to replace the boiler at the highway garage for \$26,925, Fisher second; all in favor.
- Gannon moved to approve the winter salt bid from American Rock Salt for the 2019-20 season, Rice second; all in favor.
- Manwaring has recused herself for conflict of interest. Gannon moved to approve the sidewalk snow removal bid for 3 years from Doug Furlon, Rice second; 4-0 Manwaring recused.
- Gannon moved to approve and sign the two State Revolving Fund bond agreements, WPL-306-1\_0 and RF1-242-1\_0, Rice second; all in favor.
- Gannon moved to authorize the Town Manager to sign, as town agent, the permit renewal NOI for Stormwater Discharge for the CBFD sewer and water expansion and any other related documents, Rice second; all in favor.

#### 5. Financial Review

- A brief overview of capital accounts and the 1% fund.

#### 6. US Census

- Thomas Simmons of the US Census Bureau gave the Board an overview of what he does for the census. The census happens every ten years and is in the works now. House visits should be completed by October. Phone and internet surveys are available this year. They are encouraging local recruitment.

Rice moved to enter liquor commission at 7:52 pm, Fisher second; all in favor.

#### 7. Liquor License

- Rice moved to approve an Open Container Exemption Permit for an event at Memorial Hall on November 23, 2019 catered by Jim's Bistro at the Roadhouse; and an Open Container Exemption Permit and Request to Cater Permit for an event at Memorial Hall on October 26, 2019 catered by Pipedream, LLC dba Anchor Seafood, Fisher second; all in favor.

Out of liquor commission at 7:53 pm

#### 8. Other Business/Correspondence

#### 9. Select Board Members Comments

- Manwaring would like the policy of employees receiving gifts on a future agenda
- Secretary Flynn will be in Marlboro on Friday to look at traffic on Route 9.

#### 10. Town Manager's Updates

- Coffee with a cop tomorrow at 9:30 am at the fire house
- BCA decision for 29 Stags Leap, we have issued a notice of appearance in Windham Superior Court.

#### 11. Executive Session

- Fitzgerald moved to find that premature general public knowledge of the real estate sites would put the town at a substantial disadvantage, Gannon second; all in favor.
- Fitzgerald moved to enter into executive session at 8 pm under 1 vsa 313 a 2, to include the town manager, Gretchen Havreluk, and the public safety facilities committee members, to

discuss possible real estate sites for a new public safety facility building, Rice second; all in favor.

- Came out of executive session at 8:47 pm, no action taken.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Jessica DeFrancesco  
Administrative Assistant

Approved by the Wilmington Selectboard:

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Thomas Fitzgerald, Chair

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John Gannon, Vice Chair

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Vince Rice, Clerk

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Sarah Fisher

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Ann Manwaring