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Also present: Town Administrator Joyce Fulweiler and Catherine Woessner.

Chair Consentino called the meeting to order at 3:35PM.

Public Works Dir. Dennis Allen

Chair Consentino informed Dennis that at last week’s meeting there was a request to take away the zero turn lawn mower that is at the highway garage and put at the Rte. 132 ball field on a permanent basis. Sel. Dawson said last year’s request was that the highway department mow the field. This year the Parks Commission is requesting the use of the zero turn mower for their volunteers to mow the ball field. There are two volunteers that would be doing the mowing.

Dennis explained the use of the zero turn mower. It is used at the highway garage; it is the only machine they have that has a bagging system on it. They also use it to mow the Island Park and pick up leaves. It is too big to mow the cemeteries so they use the riding mower, but this does not have a bagging system on it.

Sel. Dawson said the problem the Parks Commission is having right now is that they are getting donated lawn mowers for the ball field but they are old and frequently break down. Sel. Dawson said she can request the Parks Commission purchase a bagging system for the riding mower to use at the ball field.

Dennis feels that the less people that use the equipment, the longer it will last. Dennis suggested the Parks Commission put money in their budget next year to purchase a zero turn mower. Sel. Dawson explained that the budget committee questioned why they need to purchase this equipment when the town already owns a zero turn lawn mower and it was specifically purchased for the ball field. Sel. Dawson will inform the Budget Committee of her inquiry. Chair Consentino said if they can obtain the correct size lawn mower that Dennis needs for all of the jobs he needs and purchases a
bagger with encumbered funds or a suitable replacement that he is comfortable with, so the parks commission can take the zero turn mower for the ball field. Sel. Dawson said she will talk to the Parks Commissioners at their next meeting and will get back to the Board.

Dennis reported that the street sweeper will be starting the sweeping at 5:00AM Monday morning on Main Street and will try to get all of the streets done at that time.

Dennis also reported that Walter Apps (The Store) has put the steel poles up on the berms. Dennis let him know that he will be removing the barricades tomorrow.

Dennis is also looking into pricing for his ten year road plan, the parking lot, Tyron Lane, Rescue Lane and down through that area.

**Joyce Fulweiler, Town Administrator agenda items:**

- Reappointment; Lakes Region Planning Commission Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC), Representative Katherine Dawson and Dennis Allen as alternate member. Chair Consentino made a motion to appoint Katherine Dawson as representative to the TAC, and alternative representative, Dennis Allen, seconded by Sel. Plessner. All were in favor.

- Tonight at the Senior Center from 6:30pm to 8:00pm Senator Forrester will host the third forum on the Affordable Care Act. This is free and open to the public.

- Attorney Dan Crean, Executive Dir., of the NHMLA is hosting a workshop on regulating hawkers, peddlers and panhandlers on Wednesday, April 24, 2013 from 9:00AM to 12:15PM at the Local Government Center. Sel. Plessner, Sel. Dawson, Sel. Jesseman and Catherine Woessner will attend.

- Assessing; Loren Martin, Avitar Assessor informed Joyce that because they are down staff they are delaying their data verification visits in town. Joyce let Loren know that she will recommend to the
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♀ Board that Avitar send out the letter informing residents of the delay. The Board agreed.
♀ Joyce also received a letter from Gary Roberge, Avitar, regarding utilities valuation are not part of general assessing and is not included in any of our general assessing agreements. Utility assessing is very specialized and handled and billed separately. It has always been built into our update or revaluation contract unless told otherwise. Joyce discussed this with Loren and the only utility we have under appeal right now is Fairpoint. Joyce asked Loren if this means that each time Avitar performs services on the Fairpoint appeal, will we be billed separately and if so how many hours do you anticipate will be spent on this one appeal. Joyce informed Loren that because we have always budgeted the exact amount of our contract will this mean we will be over expending our budget. Loren will discuss this with Gary and get back to Loren.
♀ Joyce informed the Board that in discussion with Loren they discovered that the 9 Winter Street property was before the BTLA and an adjustment had been made to the value prior to the BTLA decision so that when Loren sent the disposition of abatement forms it just had the BTLA decision as if that adjustment had been made. The Board signed the disposition of abatement forms.
♀ Belknap County Commissioners would like to have the Selectmen meet with them this year to tour the county rather than attend a Selectmen’s meeting as they have in the past. The Selectmen can pick the time and date and they will do their best to accommodate. The Commissioners would like to take the Selectmen on a tour of the county facilities, highlighting the jail. The Board dates and times and agreed to meet on Tuesday, April 30th at 11:00am or May 7th, at 11:00am.
♀ Joyce reported that the Public Hearing for review of the Brownfield Cleanup Alternatives (ABCA) draft report for a portion of the environmental cleanup and proposed remediation to be conducted at 180 East Main Street, Tilton (formerly known as Ernie’s Auto Sales) was held on April 15, 2013 at 7:00pm at the Tilton Town Hall. Credere Associates were present and they discussed what the existing conditions are. The full report is available on the Town website and is also available at town
hall. There is going to be a workshop to make design plans on May 8, 2013 at 5:30 pm at the Mitchell residence. Rick Silverberg asked if it would be possible to locate a banner/sign on the Ernie’s property announcing the future plans for the area. The Conservation Commission supports this idea. Joyce reported that on June 22, & 23 which is the Old Home Day weekend, The Winnipesaukee Trails Association in conjunction with Ken Norton’s group they will be hosting a Kayak slalom race. Sel. Jessee man made a motion to allow the kayak slalom race in the Winnipesaukee River to take place and put up temporary slalom gates on June 22 & 23, seconded by Sel. Plessner. All were in favor.

On May 15th, 2013 the State property is on the Governor’s and Council’s agenda. The Selectmen can attend if they wish, but do not have to. Joyce said that as far as she knows it is the Conservation Commission that will be buying the property and will be using their funds. The Selectmen will sign the deed. Joyce read Chapter 36-A under powers of Conservation Commission they may receive gifts of money, personal property, real property, and water rights, either within or outside the boundaries of the municipality, by gift, grant, bequest, or devise, subject to the approval of the local governing body, such gifts to be managed and controlled by the commission for the purposes of this section. Said Commission may acquire in the name of the city or town, subject to the approval of the local governing body, by purchase, the fee in such land or water rights within the boundaries of the municipality, or any lesser interest, development right, easement, covenant, or other contractual right including conveyances with conditions, limitations, or reversion s, as may be necessary to acquire, maintain, improve, protect, or limit the future use of or otherwise conserve and properly utilize open spaces and other land and water areas within their city or town and shall manage and control the same, but the city or town or commission shall not have the right to condemn property for these purposes. Under 41:14-a which town meeting adopted which allows the Selectmen to acquire property or lease property, provided, however, they shall first submit any such proposed acquisition or sale to the planning board and to the conservation commission for review and recommendation by those bodies, where a board or commission or both, exist.
♀ The Police Department is going forward with the criminal complaint regarding the sand on Hill Street. Joyce submitted the charges to Officer Salmon who is handling this investigation.

♀ Lowe's has contacted Joyce and they will be paying the invoice sent to them regarding the highway departments time spent cleaning up the water icing up when their water tank broke.

♀ Joyce spoke with Mark Morrill, DOT, and he will soon be inspecting Calef, Colby, and Clark Roads. Mr. Morrill will contact Public Works Dennis Allen to meet him so they can go over the roads. Joyce also asked Mr. Morrill if he had any information on the Silver Lake Road Audit. Michelle Marshall is now the State Highway Safety Engineer and said the consultant is working on concept plans and once they are complete will let Joyce know and set up a meeting to show the town and the road safety audit group.

♀ Joyce presented the Residential Solid Waste Collection Agreement between the Town of Tilton and Bestway Disposal Services for the Board's signature.

♀ State Aid Grants; Friday, May 3, 2013 the Dept., of Environmental Services (DES) is scheduled to make their budget presentation before the Senate Finance committee at 10:00Am. Joyce said they should remind our State Senators of this meeting. Joyce has prepared packets of information regarding this for Senator Hosmer and Senator Forrester. Tilton's projects are the Lochmere Village Project 1 $1,286,634 and the Municipal Landfill Closure Project $112,642 and this money is part of the budget. Also White Rock Estates, they had requested $105,540 but they have budgeted $5,277 for each of the fiscal years. The Winnipesaukee River Basin Project which comes through Tilton, they are in for 2.7 million dollars.

♀ Joyce informed the Board that the new owner of Sherryland would like to rename it Country Meadows and rename the roads. Joyce presented a map of new street names for the boards review. After discussion, Sel. LaPlante made a motion to accept the proposal for the new names for the roads at Country Meadows contingent on approval from 911, seconded by Sel. Dawson. All were in favor.
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♀ Capital Contractors; the Board has asked if they were employees or sub-contractors. Joyce checked with Jonathan McCall, account executive with Capital Contractors and they are sub contractors. They are on Capital’s insurance.

Chair Consentino, read a letter to the Board of Selectmen from Marge Bonneville, Chair of the Recycling Committee regarding decisions about recycling. I understand that you discussed our recycling program at last night’s meeting. I am in OR on vacation or I would have been there. I want you to know how disappointed I am to hear that you are changing the prices of the PAYT bags. I understand you have changed some of the decisions of the recycle committee but this is the one I want to address because of its importance. Our committee has been working for 3.5 years on this big change to Tilton. we have put in numerous hours on doing research to come up with what is best to make this program work successfully for Tilton. We debated different prices for bags and came up with the decision of the whole committee to base our program on $2 and $1 per bag. This is the price we presented to the public at town meeting and our projections were based on these prices. If you change the prices to $1.50 and $1 it changes the whole program that we presented as far as what is projected to be recycled and what it means to tax savings. There were no objections to the price of the bags brought up at town meeting so why are you changing the prices? Did you do your own research and decide this price is better? If the price is lower then there will be less recycling and more tax money needed to sustain the program as we planned. If we do not prove that it is successful then it may well be voted out next year. We want to give hard numbers proving that it is successful then it may well be voted out next year. We want to give hard numbers proving that it worked based on our planning. Everything I have heard since first serving on this committee is decide what you want and go wit it - don’t come back next year and change it (such as bag prices). We did hear one negative comment about us changing the prices of the bags next year. It is intended that we will not raise the bag prices in the coming years! The prices we decided on were in line with other towns with PAYT. The towns which charge less are benefiting from revenue from sorting, baling and selling their recycle material which we are not doing. The price of the bags is intended to pay for the tipping fee of
Sel. Dawson informed the Board that Shane Bellanger, Minister of the Lakes Region Church of Christ in Tilton would like permission to use the Town Hall for public functions that would be Bible related. This would be during the evening. After the Board discussed this they agreed this would not be practical and is not in the best interest of the town. Sel. Dawson will inform Minister Bellanger of this decision.

Chair Consentino informed the Board that Kent Fennemore and his band would like to play at the Riverfront Park during Old Home Day. Sel. Dawson, will inform the Parks Commission of this at their next meeting.

The Board agreed to meet at 3:00PM next Thursday so Sel. Jesseman can present information regarding the COOP, Recycling and Consortium.

At 5:30PM Chair Consentino made a motion to enter into non public session as per RSA 91-A:3, regarding personnel, legal, seconded by Sel. LaPlante. A roll call vote was taken. All were in favor.

At 7:05PM the Board resumed their regular session. Sel. Jesseman made a motion to seal the minutes of the non public session as they pertain to personnel permanently and pertaining to legal until the matters are resolved, seconded by Sel. Dawson. A roll call vote was taken. All were in favor.

Sel. LaPlante made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:10PM, seconded by Sel. Jesseman. All were in favor.