
Also present from the Board: Town Administrator Joyce Fulweiler and Administrative Assistant Catherine Woessner, and Public Works Dir. Dennis Allen.
Others present, Allison Hartwell Stewart, her husband and two daughters and also Chris Meinhold.

Chair Consentino called the meeting to order at 4:15PM.

At 4:15PM Chair Consentino made a motion to enter into non public session as per RSA 91 A:3, personnel, seconded by Sel. Jesseman. A roll call vote was taken. All were in favor.

At 4:20PM the Board resumed their regular meeting. At this time Sel. Jesseman made a motion to seal the minutes of the non public session as they pertain to personnel permanently, seconded by Sel. LaPlante. A roll call vote was taken. All were in favor.

Approval of minutes of July 10, 2014: Sel. Jesseman made a motion to approve the minutes of July 10, 2014 as corrected, seconded by Chair Consentino. All were in favor with the exception of Chair Consentino who abstained as she was not present.

Approval of minutes of July 31, 2014 Sel. Jesseman made a motion to approve the minutes of July 31, 2014 as corrected, seconded by Sel. LaPlante. All were in favor.

Reports from Selectmen:
Sel. Jesseman asked the Board if they have had a chance to review Casella Proposal. Their current contract expires in May of 2016. The Board discussed putting the contract out to bid. Sel. Dawson suggests two people work on an RFP. Joyce will prepare a list of contractors and Sel. Jesseman will work with Joyce and Tim on an RFP. This will be further discussed at next week's meeting.

Sel. Dawson reported that the inspected at the Middle School has not been completed yet and will be starting on the inspection at the High School. Sel. Dawson also reported there is more graffiti at Riverfront Park.

Chair Consentino thanked the Rotary Club for raising $545.00 for the Senior Center at the Tilton Diner Classic Car Show.

Allison Hartwell Stewart joined the meeting. Allison reported that the Concerts on the Island are doing extremely well. Allison asked the Board for their support for a fund raiser to help with repairs for the Gazebo roof that needs to be replaced. She would like to ask for donations for a CD featuring her mother, Savina Hartwell's music. Right now Allison is asking for help in repairing the roof. There is a small area that requires a dozen or more shingles. She is going to have her contractor look at the roof to replace the entire roof next year. The Board is in agreement and would like to get an estimate on the roof repair so they can put it in the budget. Sel. Scanlon volunteered to help with repairs and donate the shingles for the repair of the Gazebo. Chair Consentino informed Allison that the Board will have to discuss this with the Northfield Board of Selectmen as they share the expense of the Island. Allison said she has talked to the Northfield Selectmen and they are okay with the temporary fix of the Gazebo roof for now.

Chief Cormier and Officer Abe Gilman joined the meeting. Officer Gilman informed the Board that he is currently working on the process of developing a K9 program for the Tilton Police Department. Officer Gilman explained that Canine Officers and their partners have proven to be effective in locating illegal narcotics that may otherwise go undiscovered by
the ordinary Patrol Officer's. the canine plans for deployment would include, but not be limited to tracking people ranging from a missing child to a wanted criminals, performing field searches, buildings and resident searches with a warrant for people or discarded items or evidence, as well as serving as a deterrent to criminal behavior in the community.

Sel. Dawson asked what the cost would be to purchase the dog and what is the cost to train the handler to control the dog.

Chief Cormier read the letter that they would like to send out to businesses. Many businesses would like to donate to the K9 program. Chief Cormier would like approval from the Selectmen to accept donations for the K9 program.

Given the high volume of traffic in Tilton and the recent armed robberies over the last few years and many other serious crimes, a K9 program could be very beneficial to the outlets. Currently when a K-9 is needed, Tilton is required to call-out to surrounding agencies; therefore, response times can be great, narrowing the window of time for apprehending suspects or locating a missing person.

Currently the department has an older line cruiser (10A) ready to use for K9 program, a cage that was donated from another agency and a local vet that is willing to donate annual maintenance for the K9. Officer Gilman is looking to raise $12,000.00 to purchase the K9, training for the K9 and any additional equipment. Officer Gilman would also like to look into grant programs in hopes of totally funding the program without town funds. Any monetary donations beyond $12,000.00 will be placed in a maintenance fund for the K9 program in order to keep the program going.

After discussion the Board asked Chief Cormier and Officer Gilman to come back to the Board in September as they have some concerns they would like addressed and would like answers to the questions Sel. Dawson raised regarding cost, liability, and need in the department for a K-9.

Brian Gallagher introduced himself to the Board as a Republican Candidate running for State Representative. Mr. Gallagher is a resident of Sanbornton. The Towns of Tilton and Sanbornton share two State Representatives. Mr. Gallagher is retired and has spent 30 years in public finance and included in that was 12 years at the State Finance Office in
Concord and 8 years in the financial administrative office of the NH Supreme Court. Mr. Gallagher has been on the School Budget Committee for four years. Mr. Gallagher said he is running for State Representative because he feels with his background and having been in the Concord area he feels he can offer something to the process. His background is that he is fiscally conservative and feels with the State there is level funded revenue and there are folks that are looking to increase that revenue with different kinds of tactics and does not feel is the answer. Mr. Gallagher does believe that there is a period of time where a person can make a contribution and that person can be effective in a two to four year range and this is his vision going forward.

The Board informed Mr. Gallagher of different issue Mr. Gallagher represents Sanbornton and Tilton and the Board discussed the different requirements in the towns of Sanbornton and Tilton as they have different needs;

- Exit 20, large business population
- Crime is different due to large amount of traffic
- Low income housing
- Welfare
- Roads
- Senior needs

The Board thanked Mr. Gallagher for coming in and speaking to them.

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

Joyce asked the Board when they can meet with Loren Martin, Assessor, Avitar regarding the revaluation updates so the Board can accept it. Loren is still waiting for the utility values. Joyce said they will have to file an extension for the MS-1. The Board agreed to have Loren meet with them on the September 4th meeting at 4:30PM.

Joyce met with Marty Meyers from Fairpoint today and they are planning on next Thursday to put up two poles. A new pole along Rte. 3 & 11 (Ernie's) and the other pole where they had staked where it would go. Mr. Meyers said they cannot cut down the sumac trees that are there and that they have to
come in on the Ernie’s property not the Sullivan’s property because they have a big truck with an auger on it. They would like to know if the town can take care of cutting down the brush right down to the ground. Joyce spoke with Dennis and he said his crew would be able to take care of this next week. If the Board is agreement Joyce will inform the Conservation Commission and Rip Patten from Credere.

Joyce informed the Board that the School District had called about a complaint they received regarding the intersection of Silver Lake Road and Ashuelot Drive where they have their bus stop. It is unsafe and they would like to know if it would be possible to have a sign put up. Joyce let them know this is a State Road but would contact Chief Cormier and asked him if he would take a look at it and see if there were any other recommendations that could be made.

Chief Cormier said he would take a look at the area and move the trailer from Manville Road to that location. The issue is that cars are speeding by while students are waiting by the bus stop. After discussion the Board agreed this is a State issue and should be reported to them.

Joyce reported the closing for 16 Prospect Street is set for Thursday, August 28th at 3:30PM at Town Hall.

Public Works Dir. Dennis Allen Dennis informed the Board that he and Sel. Dawson looked at where the existing culvert is on Manville Road. There is some erosion on Chase’s property. Dennis said they need to determine where the pipe is and also need to have enough pitch to drain. Sel. Dawson asked if they could put in a drain rather than a catch basin. Dennis said they need to have a catch basin.

At 6:25PM Chair Consentino made a motion to enter into non public session as per RSA 91A:3, personnel & legal, seconded by Sel. LaPlante. A roll call vote was taken. All were in favor.
At 7:55PM the Board resumed their regular session. At this time Sel. Jesseman made a motion to seal the minutes of the non public session as they pertain to personnel permanently and legal until such matters are resolved, seconded Sel. LaPlante. A roll call vote was taken. All were in favor.

At 8:00PM Sel. Jesseman made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Sel. LaPlante. All were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,
Tilton Board of Selectmen