Present: Chairman Matthew Frank, Vice Chairman William Winslow, Selectman Richard Sykes, Selectman Achille Belanger, Selectman Raymond Laplante, Town Manager George Finch, Secretary Melissa St. John

Public:LRTV

1. Meeting called to order at 7:19 p.m. by Chairman Frank

2. Public Participation (Non-Agenda Items)

Steve Johnson spoke for the Lions club. Would like to replace and repair the cobblestones and plant some grass by the gazebo near the Tie-Up. The Board was comfortable allowing the Lions Club to apply for the permit with the code officer on the Town’s behalf.

3. Approval of Warrants #53, #3 - #6

Motion to accept the Fiscal Year 2016/17 Financial Warrants #53, #3 - #6 made by Selectman Sykes, 2nd by Selectman Winslow. Approved 5-0.


Motion to approve the July 13 and July 27 minutes made by Selectman Winslow, 2nd by Selectman Laplante. Motion to amend the July 13 minutes made by Selectman Sykes, 2nd by Selectman Belanger. Approved amendment 3-2. Selectman Winslow and Selectman Laplante against. Approved amended motion 3-2. Selectman Winslow and Selectman Laplante against.

5. Old Business – None

6. New Business

   a. Transfer station fees
   Discussion focused on changes in pricing to dispose of select items at the transfer station. All changes will be effective immediately.
Selectman Winslow made motion to remove fee for fluorescent bulbs, Selectman Sykes 2nd. Approved 5-0.

Selectman Belanger made a motion to charge $.15 lb for floor copiers and large floor printers, 2nd by Selectman Winslow. Approved 5-0.

After discussion TV’s and monitors were left the same.

Selectman Belanger made motion to charge $2.00 per propane tank no 2nd. Selectman Winslow made a motion for $3.00 per propane tank, 2nd by Selectman Laplante. Approved 5-0.

Selectman Belanger made a motion to change small tractor tires to $35 and large tractor tires to $55, 2nd by Selectman Winslow. Approved 5-0.

b. Meeting minute policy

Selectman Frank made a motion to discontinue written minutes and use the electronic tape recording and the television as our permanent recording of the meeting, 2nd by Selectman Winslow. After discussion, motion withdrawn.

Selectman Laplante wants to follow MMA recommendations and have the minutes reflect the decisions made by the board including for and against, 2nd Chairman Frank. Voted 2-3. Selectman Belanger, Selectman Winslow, Selectman Sykes voted against.

Selectman Winslow made a motion to keep 3.1 to 3.1.6 (policy attached) and change the language on 3.2 to “Selectmen wishing to have additional data or comments that have been stated during the meeting to be included in the minutes will send them typed to the secretary to be added to the next agenda as an addition to the minutes”, 2nd Selectman Belanger. Approved 4-1. Chairman Frank voted against.

c. Quit claim deeds
   i. Kim Leonardo, Map 45 Lot 108

Motion to grant a quit claim deed to Kim Leonardo, 40 Depot Street, Map 45 Lot 108, made by Selectman Laplante, 2nd by Selectman Winslow. Approved 5-0.

   ii. Michael Pascoe, Map 3, Lot 2

Motion to grant a quit claim deed to Michael Pascoe, 121 Chaplin Hill Road, Map 3 Lot 2, made by Selectman Winslow, 2nd by Selectman Belanger. Approved 5-0.

d. Decision on educational analysis committee
Motion to establish an educational analysis committee with 2 selectmen, 1 school board member and 2 members of the public made by Selectman Winslow, 2nd by Selectman Laplante. Motion withdrawn.

Motion to establish an educational analysis committee with 2 selectmen, 1 school board member and 4 members of the public made by Selectman Winslow, 2nd by Selectman Laplante. Approved 5-0.

Selectman Sykes and Selectman Frank volunteered to be on the committee. Advertising will done.

e. Lease for insurance purposes – Bolsters Mills Library
   Insurance company is requesting we have documentation for the use of the building the Bolsters Mills Library uses and retain a copy of their insurance binder.

Motion to grant the Town Manager the authority to develop and sign a lease with the Bolsters Mills Library made by Selectman Winslow, 2nd by Selectman Belanger. Approved 5-0.

7. Other Business
   a. Thank you note

Selectman Belanger excused himself from the meeting at 8:20.

8. Manager’s Report

Fiscal Year 18 Tax Bills – The mill rate has been set at $10.65 down $.30 or 2.7% from the current $10.95 rate. When combined with holding the mill rate at an average of $10.95 for the past five years this is an accomplishment we can be proud of. Making it even more of a pleasure is we have accomplished this without reducing services, while improving our infrastructure and taking care of our employees. I credit the staff, the Board of Selectmen and the support of the Town’s people as this has been accomplished through careful analysis and implementation of productivity improvements and our cost avoidance efforts.

Public Works – 2017 Roads Program – The 2017 roads program will be coming to an end over the next couple of weeks. Pavement will be completed on both Fogg and Buck Roads leaving only Town Farm Road left. Their remains work to be done on matching up driveways and dealing with a few drainage issues. Unfortunately, this means our next big task is preparation for winter snow removal.

Recreation – The 2017 Summer Camp is wrapping up its final week on Friday. The 8-week summer camp is a key component of Harrison’s recreation program. Tuesday is the annual swim across Crystal Lake and part of what has been a generation of providing our youth with healthy summer experiences.

Invasive Milfoil – Lake Environmental Association has reported that Invasive Milfoil has been found in Long Lake. LEA acting on a tip from an angler found the patch to be located
4-miles south of the Bridgton public boat launch. There are many ways the public can help combat the infestation of Milfoil. Most important, especially for boaters and those with homes on the lake, is to keep your eyes open for potential issues and to contact LEA if you think you have recognized a problem. It is also very important to inspect your boat whenever you enter or leave a lake.

9. Executive Session (if necessary)

10. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn at 8:42 p.m. made by Selectman Winslow, 2nd by Selectman Sykes. Approved 4-0.

Respectfully submitted,

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Matthew Frank, Chairman

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Melissa St. John, Secretary