

**TOWN OF ALSTEAD, NEW HAMPSHIRE**  
**Select Board**  
**Minutes for Meeting of September 24, 2019 6:00 p.m.**  
**Municipal Building, 15 Mechanic Street, Alstead, NH 03602**

**SELECT BOARD PRESENT:** Alan Dustin, Chairman; Mary Ann Wolf

**STAFF PRESENT:** Charlotte Comeau, Office Administrator; Stephen Murrell, Police Chief; Prescott Trafton, Road Agent

**COMMUNITY MEMBERS PRESENT:** Marjorie Noonan; Jane Quaglin; Barbara Viegener

**GUESTS:**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman Alan Dustin called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** At 6:00 p.m. Alan led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ACTION ITEMS:** Payroll and Bill manifests signed; tax abatement for Chase signed, nominee form for Mitchell Harrison to be reappointed to Local River Management Advisory Committee signed; Police grant agreement signed, read mail

**DISCUSSION:** Prescott presented a purchase order for approval for 10 culverts in the amount of \$2590. He said the money would come from the special highway block grant. After some discussion, both Alan and Mary Ann signed the PO.

Prescott gave an update on the Dodge. He said that while they had the clutch pulled out, they noticed the oil pan was no good. This is under warranty and will have to schedule to get it to Dodge Chrysler to replace it.

Prescott indicated that he was planning on getting the glass from the recycling center before the end of the year to put on Homestead Road.

Discussion took place on whether the LED lights that we received some grant funds for the highway department had to wait until next year since we still had money in the building and maintenance line. Charlotte will look into this and Prescott will see if Jack is able to do it this year and if there is any change in cost.

Discussion took place about what the right of way is for town roads. Prescott was not able to find anything in the records that stated what this is and that we would need to write a warrant article and have it voted on.

Prescott said that they were able to drain the water from the beaver dam but that the beavers have already started rebuilding. He indicated that the owners were not happy that all the water was drained and have rescinded their permission for any further involvement with maintaining the dam. He thought that we should reach out to legal to see if owners are responsible if any damages occur to town property due to the beaver dam. The Board Agreed with this.

**MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING:** Minutes of September 10, 2019 and BOS/TC September 11, 2019: On a motion by Mary Ann Wolf, seconded by Alan Dustin; ***the Board voted to approve September 10 minutes as amended. The motion passed unanimously.*** On a motion by Mary Ann Wolf, seconded by Alan Dustin; ***the Board voted unanimously to approve September 11 minutes. The motion passed unanimously.***

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

**NON-PUBLIC SESSION (NPS):** On a motion by Alan Dustin, seconded by Mary Ann Wolf; *the Board voted by roll call vote to enter into NPS pursuant to RSA 91-A:3 II (a) at 7:06 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.*

Select board members present were: Alan Dustin, Mary Ann Wolf. Also present was Office Administrator Charlotte Comeau; Road Agent, Prescott Trafton.

Annual reviews were presented and reviewed. No action was taken and will discuss more at next meeting when Rock is there.

On a motion by Alan Dustin, seconded by Mary Ann Wolf; *the Board voted unanimously to exit NPS and reconvene public meeting at 7:25 p.m.*

**NON-PUBLIC SESSION (NPS):** On a motion by Alan Dustin, seconded by Mary Ann Wolf; *the Board voted by roll call vote to enter into NPS pursuant to RSA 91-A:3 II (c) Personnel at 7:28 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.*

Select board members present were: Alan Dustin, Mary Ann Wolf. Also present was Office Administrator Charlotte Comeau; Police Chief, Stephen Murrell

Discussion took place about additional coverage on weekends. Steve said this will be starting. Steve indicated that he may have some part-time possibilities.

Discussion took place about the tower and that we should be receiving something soon for the attorney to look at.

On a motion by Alan Dustin, seconded by Mary Ann Wolf; *the Board voted unanimously to exit NPS and reconvene public meeting at 8:15 p.m.*

**INFORMATIONAL:**

On a motion by Alan Dustin, seconded by Mary Ann Wolf; *the Board voted unanimously to adjourn at 8:20 p.m.*

Respectfully submitted,



Charlotte Comeau, Office Administrator

**The next meeting of the Select Board is schedule for Tuesday, October 8<sup>th</sup> 6:00 p.m.**