

ALTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Minutes

September 5, 2018

6:00 PM

1 Monument Square

Alton, NH 03809

Approved: September 17, 2018

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John Markland convened the meeting at 6:00 PM and led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and a Moment of Silence. The following staff members were present:

Cydney Shapleigh, Chairwoman - Excused Absence  
John Markland, Vice Chairman  
Virgil MacDonald, Selectman  
Philip V. Wittmann, Selectman  
Reuben Wentworth, Selectman  
Elizabeth Dionne, Town Administrator

**Agenda Approval**

Virgil MacDonald made a motion to approve the agenda, adding under Old Business #3 Gilman Museum and Reuben Wentworth seconded with all in favor of the motion.

**Announcements:**

- The Town Clerk/Tax Collector's Office will be closed on, Tuesday, September 11<sup>th</sup> for the State Primary which will be held at St. Katharine Drexel Church, lower level from 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM.

**Public Input I (limited to 3 minutes per person on agenda items only)**

None

**Appointments:**

Alexander Ludwig, Proposed Eagle Scout Project

Alexander Ludwig approached the Board introduced himself and gave a brief overview of his proposed Eagle Scout project which is to work with the Town regarding the Old and New Riverside Cemeteries. His project includes marking the veteran's graves to make them more visible, install a kiosk with a map, marking the locations of each veteran. He was asked by the American Legion to do this. His intention is to work in conjunction with the Alton Cemetery Department. If time permits, implement a QR Code System, which allows access via your phone with a potential to link to the Alton website. Photos were provided of what currently exists at the Cemeteries. The bulletin boards could be replaced with the kiosk and could be located across from the garden shop in the open area, which would be the preferred location on the cement block where the flagpole is located. The hope is to place flag holders on each of the veteran's graves. At the New Riverside Cemetery, the kiosk could be located near the building in the area of the bulletin board or near the flagpole. It was recommended that Alex get in touch with Kellie Troendle who is in charge of the Cemetery Department. Sample kiosk photos were provided for sizing purposes which could change according to the size needed. A google map was provided showing a red dot on a veteran's grave which would show the veteran's name with location, lot numbers could be included. Reuben Wentworth voiced that it is a great task to undertake, finds it commendable, it is a lot of work and that the town needs a system that will work. John Markland commented that it is a very large project to undertake, he finds it admirable and would like to see Kellie Troendle involved to be sure it is actually doable before the Board approves. In addition, some families may not want some of their information divulged. John Castle, Committee Chair and Leader for the Boy Scouts voiced some of the same concerns regarding privacy noting that the only thing that would be on the kiosk is the same information that is already out there for public information. It was the consensus of the Board for Alex to meet with Kellie then hear from Kellie once the meeting has taken place for her recommendation and approval at a future meeting.

Alexander was thanked for his presentation.

**New Business:**

1. Solid Waste Department; Proposal for Monitoring Well Replacement - Approval

Liz Dionne, Town Administrator requested that this item be moved until the engineer arrives in the event there are any questions. The Board agreed.

2. Parks and Recreation Commission; Quannippi Trail Signage Recommendation - Approval

Elizabeth Shelton, Parks and Recreation Commission Chair approached the Board to speak on behalf of the interest shown for signage on the Quannippi Trail. At the last Commission meeting, the Commission felt that it was necessary to install signage along the trail defining the start and finish of the trail. Signs will be placed beginning at the information kiosk across from Pop's, ½ mile in on Riverlake West Street near #55 (Fitzgerald property), ¼ mile at the kiosk closest to the municipal well entering into Jones Field, 1 mile at the bleachers just before the foot bridge, Little Fenway at Jones Field and at 1.5 miles at the proposed kiosk location at the edge of the parking area on Route 140 at Mill Pond which is the end of the trail. Materials and directional signs were discussed. Proposed graphics were provided however it has not been discussed by the Commission so this is yet to be determined. In addition, Liz noted that when this trail was first discussed initially the Commission felt that it should be changed to the Merrymeeting Trail however there was public input that there is history to the Quannippi Trail and was one of 6 tribes that met in Alton Bay hence appropriate to keep it named Quannippi Trail. Before the Commission moves any further they wanted to request permission to proceed. The Highway Manager noted that State permission is also necessary to install the signage. Reuben inquired about funding the project. Kellie responded that the Barbershopper's had donated funds towards a park project so this would be appropriate use of that money.

Virgil MacDonald made a motion to approve the Parks and Recreation project for the Quannippi Trail signage and Reuben Wentworth seconded.

Further discussion: Reuben requested that the signage be maintained/updated at least every 3 to 4 years.

The motion on the table held with all in favor of the motion.

3. Fire Department; Protective Equipment Purchase; Turn-out Gear - Approval

Jim Beaudoin, Fire Chief and Patrick O'Brien, Captain Fire Department approached the Board to discuss the purchase of four (4) sets of turn-out gear which is hopefully done each year as it expires every ten (10) years as NFP recommends. The Globe brand product is currently what is used from Bergeron Protective Clothing. Quotes were provided and Jim feels that this is the best gear around, they are local and they are the lowest price and the recommended company/product.

Reuben Wentworth made a motion to approve the Bergeron Protective Clothing (Globe Brand) for \$8,187.77 and Phil Wittmann seconded with all in favor of the motion.

4. Fire Department; Command Vehicle - Approval

Jim Beaudoin, Fire Chief noted that the command vehicle was approved through CIP. Quotes were provided for Ford and Chevrolet vehicles. Ford dealers provided however, the Chevy dealers all passed it to MacMulkin who holds the state bid. Currently the utility pickup truck is what Jim is using and will still be available at the Fire Station and used for training, moving things around, additional personnel and for calls rather than taking a larger truck. Mutual Aid doesn't ask for a truck just additional manpower so this would be useful for that purpose; forestry has been used in the past. Currently quotes are being obtained for the outfitting (lights, radios, siren and lettering) of the vehicle, which is estimated to be approximately 10K. Jim believed that the amount approved by CIP was about 56K. The vehicle is ready on the lot, outfitting is not.

Reuben Wentworth made a motion to approve \$34,984 for the Command Vehicle to MacMulkin Chevrolet for a 2019 Tahoe and Virgil MacDonald seconded with all in favor of the motion.

5. Fire Department; Forestry Truck Cab and Chassis - Approval

Patrick O'Brien, Captain Fire Department spoke on behalf of the Forestry Vehicle. Three (3) quotes were provided. The State bid from Hillsboro Ford/Ram came in lowest at \$46,164. This is for a regular cab Dodge 5500, diesel cab and chassis to replace the current 2002 Ford 550. A decision has not been made for the old vehicle until the body swap is completed which is part of the plan. It can be put out to bid; there was an option for potential trade in value but because of the age there wasn't much value associated. It has approximately 42K + in mileage. The biggest issue is a front main seal leak and would require work; it has not gone to the town mechanic and was recently discovered. It was noted that this was approved through CIP up to 66K for equipment and re-mount of radio, lights, etc. which will be coming shortly and has come in around \$750 through Hillsboro for remounting the body. Once the quotes come back on the lights, radio, etc. it will need to come back to the Board for approval.

Reuben Wentworth made a motion to approve \$46,164 to Hillsboro Ford/Ram for a 5500 Dodge diesel and Virgil MacDonald seconded with all in favor of the motion.

6. Fire Department; Repairs to Engine 2 - Approval

John Markland noted that this is a housekeeping vote after receiving a call for a telephone poll to approve the repairs to Engine 2.

Jim Beaudoin, Fire Chief and Patrick O'Brien, Captain spoke on behalf of this item. Patrick noted that he had spoken to the dealership, the motor was originally apart for an excessive crank case pressure issue. The dealer found that there was oil leaking out of the exhaust manifold; they were suspecting a cracked ring, it turned out to be a cracked sleeve. The high end of the quote was 15K+ which included a new head and turbo. It was only the sleeve so the low end of the quote at approximately 6K or somewhere thereabout. The expected return is Friday afternoon at the earliest. Cummings has been great. Virgil MacDonald asked if the work would be warrantied, Patrick assumed it would but will need to check with the dealer. The Chief was commended on his performance by Reuben Wentworth regarding his finding monies within his budget.

Virgil MacDonald made a motion to approve the repairs to Engine 2 with the Cummings dealer and Phil Wittmann seconded.

Further discussion: Reuben Wentworth voiced amending the motion adding the dollar amount of up to \$15,900 just in case something happens.

Virgil MacDonald amended his motion to approve the repairs to Engine 2 with the Cummings dealer up to 15K and Reuben Wentworth seconded.

Further discussion: Virgil MacDonald questioned if the motion was up to 15K; could that money be used for anything else other than the engine repair. John Markland responded not if that is the motion.

The amended motion on the table held with all in favor of the amended motion.

Old Business:

1. Police Department; Additional School Police Coverage - Approval

Police Chief Ryan Heath approached the Board to further discuss the idea of additional police coverage for the schools. An MOU for both schools has been created between them and both School Boards have approved and received their funding for the additional coverage combined total of 32K. Virgil MacDonald questioned if this was 100% for the SRO or is it from a grant and if after a year or two then the town would need to pick up the costs. Ryan responded that this has nothing to do with a grant. The schools will be paying the Police Department similar to it being a special detail or contractor. Currently there is a gap in coverage between the current SRO while she bounces back and forth between schools. Time will be billed out and the schools will pay the 32K. In April when this was initially discussed the position was going to be filled with part-time officers however with the different levels of training, different personalities, different officers, etc. there were concerns brought forth. The proposed candidate is not a trained SRO and has a multitude of experience that will be discussed later. The concept is to put a full time certified retired police officer into the school. There have been changes to the NHRS retirement rules if hired by January 1<sup>st</sup> that will allow a retiree to work 1664 total hours a year in any increment of hours resulting in an officer being able to work the entire school year then adjust their schedule to accommodate holidays, school breaks and vacation times. The majority of the proposed wages will be covered by the funding from the school with the remaining hours covered under the police department part-time wage line while working for the town, which will be approximately 550/600 hours. This will not result in adding any additional officers; we currently have vacancies to those positions. The part-time roster consists of seven (7) officer positions with a lot of the hiring being on a part-time basis; this will fill a void with the part-time officers and is already funded in the current budget in the part-time line. Reuben Wentworth questioned if benefits would apply to this position. Ryan responded that there would be no benefits associated with this position. A breakdown was provided to the Board specific to the individual that is being presented for all costs and expenses associated; the proposal shows \$47,307.37 with 32K of that coming from the school and the remainder from the part-time wage line. Virgil MacDonald referred to the MOU about whether parents are present while a student is being questioned. John Markland felt that was irrelevant to the subject and thought that this should be taken under advisement until discussed in Non-Public Session. Reuben Wentworth stated that only the position was currently being discussed and felt that the money should not go beyond the 32K. Ryan reiterated that his current part-time positions were not full; he has vacancies. There is a difference between a part-time certified retired officer and a part-time certified officer who can only work 1300 hours per year; in addition not having to pay into the retirement system, which adds to the expenses. The proposed candidate is much more flexible with availability. The current budget is based on the number of hours not the number of individuals. Virgil MacDonald again questioned if the money was coming from a grant and if so when the funding goes away does the position go away, Ryan responded "yes".

Reuben Wentworth made a motion to approve the SRO Officer for a total amount not to exceed 32K for the position and Phil Wittmann seconded.

Further discussion: John Markland noted that this vote is just for the position and asked Reuben if he wanted this to be just for the school year and take the summer off. Reuben stated that this is what this was all supposed to be based on and previously presented. Virgil MacDonald addressed the vacancies to the part-time roster. Ryan stated a retiree has to work the 1664 hours or they will lose it and will never be able to do it again based upon the new laws with the retirement system.

Reuben Wentworth rescinded his previous motion and Phil Wittmann rescinded his second.

Reuben Wentworth made a motion to approve the 32K for the school for an extra SRO Officer

Further discussion: Reuben noted he cannot approve everything on the provided list bringing the position to 47K+ he would not be able to include the \$2,400 for pro-rated benefits for a stipend. Ryan Heath reported that it is usually negated if an employee does not take health insurance then they are entitled to a stipend of 3K or a pro-rated amount based on hours worked. A permanent part-time person is entitled to this. Questions regarding part-time, permanent part time, benefits vs. no benefits were discussed. In the negotiations with this person it was brought forward as an incentive to the proposal to the person for the position.

Reuben Wentworth left his motion at 32K with the 15K to be taken up in Non-Public Session depending on what was negotiated between the individual and the Police Chief.

John Markland noted this was why he wanted to take this under advisement and discuss in Non-Public. Reuben wants to start with the 32K and finish the rest in Non-Public Session or he will make a motion to approve an additional \$11,907 (removing the \$2,400) which brings it to \$43,907 removing the pro-rated stipend.

To clarify the motion Reuben stated it would be \$43,907 for the position with 32K coming from the school and Phil Wittmann seconded.

Further discussion: Ryan Heath voiced that for the \$2,400 we might lose the whole concept of this matter. He might not be able to find another scenario that works. Consistent hours is what promotes whether a person receives benefits or not and no part-time officer currently qualifies for benefits. Reuben voiced that if he could convince the Board that anyone who works under 32 hours a week should not be getting any benefits whatsoever.

Liz Dionne cited town policy on the benefits verifying that there are other employees who work part-time 20 hours that do receive benefits.

John Markland questioned the amount of \$43,907 that Reuben came up with standing corrected it should be \$44,907 (rounded)

Reuben Wentworth changed his motion to reflect the corrected amount of \$44,908 (rounded up).

Further discussion: Virgil MacDonald voiced if other people were getting benefits at part-time then he doesn't see why this person shouldn't get it. What is good for one is good for all. Reuben voiced he will not change his motion.

The motion on the table was called. The vote was 1 approved, 3 opposed.

The motion failed.

Virgil MacDonald made a motion to approve the \$47,307.37 for the SRO Officer, which includes filling the part-time position.

There was no second.

The motion failed.

At this time, the item was moved to Non-Public Session.

#### New Business #1 Solid Waste Department; Proposal for Monitoring Well Replacement - Approval

Liz Dionne requested to speak on this item before turning it over to John Kubiczki, Engineer for the capped landfill.

There is a well next to Hurd Hill Road that was discovered by John. It appears to have been damaged last winter by a snowplow. Hurd Hill Road is going to be ground and paved tomorrow morning; the well was going to be in the way so the well has been decommissioned/sealed. DES has picked out a replacement location. The costs associated will be coming out of the Capital Reserve Fund. John stated this is a replacement well and because it is a compliance well it must be put back in. The monitoring well will be located on the landfill property; there is a pin near the location and will be confirmed again with Scott Simonds.

Virgil MacDonald voiced concerns of the location due to it being very close to the corner pin. Again, he will confirm and understands the concern. Ken Roberts asked how far it was from the edge of the pavement. John responded that it is way up on the embankment by the telephone pole. Ken stated that if it is within the 49.5' it would be within the right of way so it wouldn't really matter. Liz stated this is a non-issue; it has been checked by many people.

Virgil MacDonald made a motion to approve the new location for the proposed well for the closed landfill with the funding from the Capital Reserve fund and allowing the Town Administrator to sign any documents necessary.

Further discussion: Reuben Wentworth asked if it should show the amount not to exceed \$10,150. There was no second to the motion.

Reuben Wentworth made a motion to approve the proposal as outlined by Hydro-GeoChemical Solutions, LLC for \$10,150 for the new well location at Hurd Hill Road and allow the Town Administrator to sign and Phil Wittmann seconded with all in favor of the motion.

## 2. Mt. Major Community Center Discussion and Decision

Liz Dionne is looking for direction from the Board regarding what direction the Board wants to take for the Mt. Major Community Center.

John Markland asked the Board if they felt there should be a full Board before making a decision. Virgil MacDonald voiced that the roof needs to be done and that it should have new plywood placed on the roof before it is shingled. Phil Wittmann would like to see a full Board before proceeding. Discussion amongst the Board whether to do a metal roof or asphalt roof, replace the plywood, purlins, etc. ensued. John Markland's understanding is a decision needs to be made whether or not we are going to keep the building. Virgil noted that we had already sent the roof out to bid; it was corrected it went out for quotes.

Reuben Wentworth made a motion proceed forward with preserving the West Alton Community Center and Phil Wittmann seconded. The vote was 3 approved, 1 opposed, John Markland.

Further Discussion: Two (2) quotes were received and provided to the Board. Reuben Wentworth informed the Board that he would not be voting on this item as he potentially could have financial gain due to both contractors doing business with him on a regular basis. Virgil MacDonald feels that it should go back out to bid due to conversations with several contractors in town who did not even know that it had gone out to bid; it should be advertised more. Liz Dionne mentioned that it went out to several contractors; it was advertised and was posted on the website and probably is still there. Again, Virgil strongly recommended that it should have new plywood and bituthane the roof and not just along the bottom or it should be a metal roof. The bituthane should make it last 40 years. No other Board members agreed with putting it back out to bid; denied. The Board will review the provided bids one for \$16,000 and the other \$17,500.

Virgil MacDonald made a motion to accept the bid for \$16,000.

Further discussion: Virgil kept insisting that the bid would need to be added onto because he feels that the nails will not hold on the old wood and will pop within a few years.

John Markland called the motion on the table for accepting the bid for \$16,000 with Jalbert Contracting and Phil Wittmann seconded.

Further discussion: Virgil MacDonald stated and was adamant that money needs to be added to place plywood because the nails will not hold; having done a lot of roofs in his lifetime and he felt that it should be put back out to bid with the correct specs for either a metal roof or to replace with new plywood.

The motion on the table was called. The vote was held in order for Ken Roberts to comment. Ken Roberts approached the Board commenting on the motion that possibly the motion could be approved to include negotiations in order to be able to perform the work the correct way awarding to the low bidder and authorized by the Town Administrator. Virgil MacDonald voiced it should be either metal or plywood.

The motion was called again; the vote was 2 approved, 1 opposed, John Markland, 1 abstention, Reuben Wentworth.

The motion passed to award to Jalbert Contracting. Noting negotiations for plywood or metal.

## 3. Gilman Museum

Virgil MacDonald brought this item forward. To date he had not seen any of the work being performed. Liz Dionne requested speaking on this discussion. It was her intention to bring this item forward at the next meeting: a proposal based on the quote that was received. This item will continue to the next meeting.

#### Selectmen Reports

Phil Wittmann reported he met with the Parks and Recreation Commission. A previous decision by the Commission was completely reversed after public input on the name change to the Quannippi Trail. The Commission discussed the 5K Race, Barbershopper's Jamboree with concerns voiced about attendance being lower than expected, Old Home Week Booklet, Adult Softball, 2018 Soccer Program, Light Up Night (questioned which tree will be lit and if ABA will take care of it), Egg Hunt (possible date and location change maybe behind Town Hall) and a brief discussion on a Recreational Facility. In addition, the Cyanobacteria Committee met with an open forum with the public being educated, breaking into small groups for various discussions i.e. how they monitor for contaminates.

Mentioned was Wolfboro having an issue and that Vermont has a huge issue.

Reuben Wentworth reported he met with the Water Department with the decision made to replace the fire hydrant at the Mt. Washington dock this month and if money allows the one at the bottom of Rollins Hill. Collections for the Water Department have been improving since more shut off notices sent out. There are still questions that he would like to get with the Town Administrator as to how the Auditors do the revenues finding it hard to follow and how the money is moved around in the last quarter of the billing and how it is distributed between the years. Excess revenues is also a concern.

Virgil Macdonald reported that the Planning Board has received all the paperwork for the Excavation Permit.

John Markland had nothing to report.

#### Town Administrator Report by Elizabeth Dionne

##### Solid Waste Pickup Truck

Liz Dionne provided a staff report with a recommendation to the Board in reference to the Solid Waste pickup truck to transfer the vehicle to the Grounds and Maintenance Department.

Reuben Wentworth questioned the staffing of the Parks and Recreation/Buildings and Grounds Department. Liz Dionne gave a breakdown of the staff as follows:

- a) 2 Full-time Year Round Buildings and Grounds employees
- b) 1 Part-time Seasonal Buildings and Grounds employee
- c) 1 Full-time Year Round Cemetery employee (works with Grounds and Buildings, 4 months of the year)
- d) 1 Seasonal Cemetery employee

Reuben questioned if the current truck at the Cemetery Department needs to stay with them or can it be used during the winter months. Liz believes it must be related to Cemetery functions having been purchased with Cemetery Trust money and under state law, it must be used for those purposes. Ken Roberts was asked to join in the discussion. Ken clarified that the truck was his vehicle and it was given to the Cemetery because the truck they had was falling apart and that the existing vehicle they have is falling apart. Liz will need to check with legal counsel to see if it can be used otherwise. Reuben is against this transfer and believes that the vehicle will not last with current situations. The vehicle has 47K and Virgil MacDonald felt that we are better off keeping the vehicle than trading it in at \$2,500. This is for the Solid Waste truck moving to Buildings and Grounds with confusion and conversations turning to the foreman for the Buildings and Grounds Department being merged with the Highway Department which would be up to the Board once it is proposed to them and passed through the budget process. Virgil MacDonald's understanding was there would be a foreman who can run the guys in the department in order to get the maintenance done around town because it is currently not happening. It will be less expensive to hire than to keep putting things out to bid. Ken Roberts requested to speak noting that the last discussion was to give Parks and Recreation a foreman and another person to create five (5); when this subject came up that is when the pickup truck came up. If two (2) more people are added to that department (if it passes) the subject truck could best be used by adding a flatbed with toolboxes on the side and to be stationed at that department and have another plow. As far as the separation of the departments it is still part of "the dream". As far as the Parks and Recreation, Solid Waste and Water Department's are concerned it has not been decided or discussed and part of that discussion is the Public Works Director and before any separations are done. Ken would like to sit with the entire Board to discuss the whole idea. This is a completely different subject than the truck itself. He feels that it should begin with the truck then when it is presented by the Town Administrator with the breakdown then we sit down after that to discuss. The original plan was for the truck to be traded in and was not part of the original price and was supposed to be a separate sale. The town mechanics are giving the vehicle another 4/5 years. Reuben questioned why we are getting a new vehicle if there is still 4/5 years for the current vehicle.

Virgil MacDonald made a motion to move the Solid Waste pickup truck over to Grounds and Maintenance.

Further discussion: Liz Dionne noted that the department actually needs another vehicle because they have more staff than vehicles. Once it is repaired and brought to a more usable state, it will be used. Virgil MacDonald asked if another vehicle was out of commission in that department. Liz was not aware; her understanding was that they were down to one (1) truck. Ken Roberts was called to the table to discuss. Currently there are two (2) guys riding in one (1) vehicle for all the work orders. The rack body vehicle is being used for all the mowing and the pickup truck which is used for all of the other maintenance and some of the mowing. Virgil MacDonald voiced that this is an issue and maintenance is not getting done. Ken stated that there are changes coming which will be set down by the Town Administrator and when the changes come into effect if the Board agrees to them there will definitely be a serious change including a foreman but until this takes effect it remains as is. This department has been in existence for 17 years and these complaints have been in the last couple of years; the question is, is it manpower shortage or is it the new manpower. Ken is defending this for the position that may be coming forth to him and would like to be a part of that discussion when it moves forward.

Virgil MacDonald made a motion to move to the Parks and Recreation.

Further discussion: Reuben Wentworth asked to speak on Ken’s comment of the department being in existence for 17 years and the complaints in the last couple of years. The concerns have been for the last six (6) years; Ken is correct that changes need to be made but nobody is willing to address it or be the bad guys. Change needs to be made before someone gets seriously hurt.

Again, Virgil MacDonald made a motion to move the Solid Waste pickup truck over to the Grounds and Maintenance Department after the mechanic puts the flatbed and toolboxes on it and Reuben Wentworth seconded.

Further discussion: Reuben Wentworth feels it is a bad idea. Virgil MacDoanld feels that for the \$2,500 it is better than trading the vehicle in. Reuben stated you will get more for your money trading it in than getting the use out of it.

The motion was called. The vote was 2 approved, 2 opposed, Phil Wittmann and Reuben Wentworth. The motion failed.

This will be brought up again with a full Board present.

**Approval of Minutes:**

August 20, 2018

Reuben Wentworth made a motion to approve the minutes of Public Session I, August 20, 2018 and Virgil MacDonald seconded with all in favor of the motion.

John Markland made a motion to approve the minutes of Non-Public Session, August 20, 2018 releasing #2 & 4 and Phil Wittmann and Reuben Wentworth simultaneously seconded with all in favor of the motion.

August 23, 2018

John Markland made a motion to approve the minutes of the Workshop Session, August 23, 2018 and Virgil MacDonald seconded. The vote was 3 approved, 1 abstention, Reuben Wentworth.

**Approval of Consent Agenda**

Reuben Wentworth made a motion to approve the consent agenda and Phil Wittmann seconded.

Discussion: Virgil MacDonald voiced he believed they needed to go into Non Public Session before approving. He withdrew his concern.

The motion was called with all in favor of the motion.

**1. 2018-19 Timber Warrant**

New England Forestry	Map 6 Lot 2	Operation 17-011-08-T	\$2,590.23
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**2. 2017-18 Timber Abatement**

Tibbetts/Fortier	Map 16 Lot 22	Operation 17-011-11-T	\$358.33
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Approval - Fire Department Certification Change; Jonah Farrow, Intern \$12.22 per hour to EMT/Basic Fire Fighter \$14.50 per hour.

Approval - Fire Department, Appointments

- a) James Beaudoin, Forest Fire Warden
- b) James Brown, Deputy Forest Fire Warden
- c) Ryan McQuade, Deputy Forest Fire Warden
- d) Patrick O'Brien, Deputy Forest Fire Warden
- e) Kyle Russell, Deputy Forest Fire Warden
- f) Gregory Trombi, Deputy Forest Fire Warden
- g) Evan Turcotte, Deputy Forest Fire Warden

Approval - Assessing Department, Renewal Annual Tax Map Maintenance Contract with Cartographic Associates, Inc dba CAI Technologies.

**Public Input II (limited to 5 minutes per person on any Governmental/Town Business)**

Loring Carr approached the Board to voice concerns after watching the video of the August 20, 2018 meeting. He doesn't know how to address the issue stating, at 1 hour 58 minutes and 50 seconds into the video a member of the Board who has given a lot of time and really cares for the town made a comment the "I called Scott Williams" then Cydney very strongly said "you divulged non-public information". He doesn't know what to say, it has not been addressed; this just can't be swept under the rug. This can't be ignored, this is the whole basis of your integrity, it is very frustrating. This is a very bad decision. Possibly the Attorney General's office should have been contacted, this can't be done. There is no integrity now! A bit later another member stated "Scott Williams has done a lot for the town so maybe we should give him" Cydney stated "you want to give preferential treatment". This does not look good on that tape. I think the Board should review the end of that tape to see what you are showing to the public. Another issue is going into Non Public to discuss another person and if that is how you are going to make your decision to make another position for the school SRO. This doesn't look good on the tape either.

Reuben Wentworth asked to speak regarding Mr. Carr's comment regarding the SRO Officer. He wanted to clarify and discuss what the Chief negotiated for this individual. It is his feeling that the Police Chief has no right to negotiate; Mr. Carr agreed. Reuben stated he was the one that made the comment about Scott Williams; no favors or breaks were given and it appeared that the town was trying to persecute him, and is totally against that and anytime the town and government tries to do this to any resident whether they have done things for the town or not he would be there to defend them. Mr. Carr stressed reviewing the tape.

**Discretionary Action on Requests for Appointments** (No discussion, majority vote required to allow/not allow appointment)

None

**Non-Public Session:**

John Markland made a motion to enter into non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II (a) (b) (c) and (e) and (j) and Phil Wittmann seconded. The Board was polled in the affirmative by roll call with all in favor of the motion.

**Roll call vote:**

Reuben Wentworth, yes  
Phil Wittmann, yes  
Virgil MacDonald, yes  
John Markland, yes

**Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 7:48 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

*Mary K. Jarvis*

Mary K. Jarvis  
Recording Secretary