

**TOWN OF NORTH HAVEN**  
**Board of Selectmen**  
**April 12, 2016**  
**4:00 p.m.**

**Minutes**

SELECTMEN PRESENT: Jon Emerson (Chair), Linda Darling, Kat Alexander, Stacy Beverage & Jonathan Demmons

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR: Joe Stone

AVAILABLE: TAX COLLECTOR, Janice Hopkins

AVAILABLE: TREASURER, Joette Adams

ALSO PRESENT: Elliott Brown, Road Commissioner

1. Jon Emerson called the Meeting to order at 4:00 PM
2. **Motion to approve the Minutes of April 5, 2016**  
**Made by Darling, seconded by Beverage** **Approved 5-0-0**

3. **Public Comment** – None

4. **Treasurer's Report**

- a. Approval of Bills, Warrants, Payroll Journals and Journal Entries:

Warrant # 15	in the amount of	\$23,707.21
Warrant # 15-A	in the amount of	\$1,766.88
Payroll # 13	in the amount of	\$3,567.85
Water Warrant # 7	in the amount of	\$6,309.39
Sewer Warrant # 7	in the amount of	\$3,590.05

- Motion to approve Bills, Warrants, Payroll Journals and Journal Entries**  
**Made by Emerson, seconded by Alexander** **Approved 4-0-0<sup>1</sup>**

5. **Correspondence:**

- a. Stone reported that Hurricane Island's Outward Bound School had made its annual request for permission to include visiting Burnt Island in its Sea Program. There was no objection from the Board.

6. **Reports:**

- a. Administrator:
    - i. Clinic
      1. No update
    - ii. Sewer & Water Department:
      1. DEP's Beth DeHaas met with personnel from both departments today on her annual inspection tour. She seemed pleased with the pro-active

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<sup>1</sup> Actual vote was taken after Beverage had left for School Board meeting

approaches personnel in both departments have been taking in the management of their regulatory obligations.

- iii. Water Department:
  - 1. See § 6 (a) ii 1. above
  - 2. Glen and Rex will confer on appropriate size of a storage facility to replace the pump house, which then can be demolished. (No update)
  - 3. Rex has been in touch with E. J. Prescott to commission hydrant replacements. Possible late May project. (No update)
- iv. DEP/DMR:
  - 1. No update
- v. Bartlett’s Harbor
  - 1. No update.
- vi. Ferry Service: No update
  - 1. Sen. Miramant has reported that Transportation Committee voted unanimously to fund the fiscal note for LD 1468. Bill will now move to Governor’s Office.
- vii. Watson Airstrip
  - 1. See § 7 (a) i below.
- viii. Legal
  - 1. No update.
- ix. Legislative
  - 1. Garrett Corbin (MMA) reports that LD 1586 has “died”. It appears that the Selectmen can continue to employ occasional teleconferencing, a practice that would have been severely restricted if LD 1586 had passed in an unamended form.
- x. Floats & Docks
  - 1. See § 7 (c) below
- xi. Roads & Bridges:
  - 1. See § 8 (a) below
- xii. Town Properties
  - 1. See § 7(d) below
- xiii. EMA
  - 1. See § 7 (b) below

b. Sheriff’s Dept:

<b>Date</b>	<b>Incident</b>	<b>Deputy</b>
4/8	Animal problem, property checks vehicle maintenance	Hills
4/9	Found property, property checks, business/license check, foot patrols	Hills
4/10	Traffic details	Hills

**7. Old Business:**

**a. *Watson Airstrip***

- i.** The minutes of the 4/5 meeting, which incorporates the sentiments of the airstrip’s neighbors expressed in the public hearing, having been approved, will be forwarded to Blake Whitman, as Norfam’s representative. The minutes summarize the major revisions the Town is still seeking, namely, an increase in the number of permitted landings, the transfer of some of the paragraphs regulating PIA’s use to an Agreement between Norfam and PIA, and a

clarification of the Town's actual enforcement responsibilities. The Town has already undertaken to underwrite the cost of Norfam's additional liability insurance premiums.

- b. *Emergency Management*
  - i. T.A. reopened the topic of steps that the Town could take to provide emergency shelter under several scenarios. The project has been tabled since it was first broached in December. Stone will review materials on hand, seek the Board's advice and try to put a small task force together to develop a program.
- c. *Floats and Docks*
  - i. Stone to ask Harbor Masters to come in for one final pass on the proposed F & D ordinance.
- d. *Town Properties*
  - i. Stone to verify the size of the preferred ball field backstop option before ordering

**8. New Business:**

- a. *Roads and Bridges*
  - i. *Speed Humps*
    - 1. Road Commissioner Brown was present to review the proposal to install removable speed humps on Main St. He had looked at the product options and recommends installation of three 15' wide humps before the Casino steps, near the Library and somewhere before the entrance to the ferry.
  - ii. *Sidewalks*
    - 1. Brown was asked his opinion on sidewalks, the suggestion Amilia Campbell brought up at the March 15 meeting. As was the case with several of the members of the Board, his opinion was that Main St. is not wide enough to accommodate both a sidewalk and parking on both sides of the street. He will consider Alexander's suggestion that temporary curbing could be installed on the south side of the street to delineate a pedestrian footpath between parked cars and the buildings which line the south side of the street.
  - iii. *Village Parking & Crosswalks*
    - 1. Alexander shared some sketches of a proposal to eliminate the diagonal parking on both sides of the fountain. The first advantage would be to make the turn from Mill St. onto Main St. much safer. The second would be effectively to widen the street and improve sight lines. The disadvantage might be to eliminate a space or to require difficult-to-enforce "compact only" parallel parking on the west side of the fountain. Brown questioned whether the dip from the center of Main St. towards the wall might make parallel parking too difficult. There was inconclusive discussion about painted crosswalks from the Landing to Waterman's. Alexander suggested some kind of flexible stanchion be installed to prevent a vehicle parked along the Landing wall from backing into the crosswalk. One challenge with crosswalks would be to meet national standards on placement relative to parking that would not also eliminate more parking spaces.

- b. **Motion to approve Certificate of Commitment of Water User Rates i/a/o \$15,165.77  
Made by Darling, seconded by Demmons Approved 4-0-0**

- c. Motion to approve Certificate of Commitment of Sewer User Rates i/a/o \$34,209.96  
Made by Alexander, seconded by Darling Approved 4-0-0**

**9. Other:**

- a. *Reminders*
  - i. : Heather Deese, Island Institute VP of Research & Strategy, hosting a public meeting on 4/13, MCW Conf. Rm. 11 to 12:15 to learn what “types of socio-economic and environmental data would be most helpful and useful” for North Haven “for local planning, projects, and decision-making”.
  - ii. Midcoast School of Technology’s Beth Fisher will be calling in to Board meeting on 4/26 at 4:15 to publicize building plans.
- b. Selectmen asked Stone to get in touch with the contractor who has left the dumpster at the construction site at the corner of Church and Main to remove it. It has overstayed its welcome.

**Motion to adjourn at 5:45 PM**

**Made by Darling, seconded by Demmons**

**Approved 4-0-0**