

Shapleigh Board of Selectmen
Meeting Minutes – Time 6:00 pm
August 29, 2023

I. Open Meeting

Chairman, Scott E. Cudworth called the meeting to order at 6pm, Selectman Michael J. Cote and Shawn Cavanaugh were also present. Also present was the Town Administrator, Michelle Rumney and Office Assistant, Joanne Holland.

II. Attendance:

Bill Mageary, Darren Rogers, Steve Guillemette, Gene Streck, and Dave Roberts.

III. Pledge of Allegiance – was recited.

IV. Approval of minutes from 08/15

Michael J. Cote made a motion to approve the minutes for August 15, 2023, as presented; seconded by Shawn J. Cavanaugh. No further discussion. All in favor. Motion carried 3-0.

V. Public Comment

Bill Mageary stated that CMP rates have increased tremendously, and the Board should consider buying out the solar array from Revision Energy with the funds that have been raised and the left-over funds put towards the fence that would need to be put around it; Town Administrator will put out to bid for the fencing. Also discussed putting a roof over the inverters.

VI. Unfinished Business

i. Town Administrator Update

- Saturday Sept 9th, the memorial service for former transfer station attendant, Jack Stevens will be held at the family cemetery on Simon Ricker Road.
- Backside of town hall has been pressure washed, exterior electrical outlet in the rear is broken. Handyman will be back to do the remainder of building.
- Tax bills should be beginning to arrive in mailboxes, due date is 9/29
- Playground at Rec Field has been cleaned out of brush and weeds, still an issue with someone training dogs on the fields. More signs have been placed. Rain sensor replaced, sprinklers were still operating in rain, soaking field making mowing difficult. The mowing contractor was out with the tractor and able to mow, will come back to suck up the clippings this week. Tiny Tots soccer program starts this weekend.
- So. Maine Pump is coming to test our pressure/volume to see if the current well will support a second building.
- 23,000 lbs. of milfoil taken out of No. Shapleigh Pond this summer, will likely be an annual effort to keep it under control.
- Reminder to RSVP this week for the volunteer BBQ please! Need head count and any allergies.
- Conservation Committee chair reported that she went down Hodgdon Road on Friday to access the Goose Pond Overlook and the neighbor's heavy equipment was blocking the entrance to the trail making it impassible for them to get in. It is the intention to have the ASYCC and Three Rivers down there addressing some erosion control issues and putting

outposts to prohibit ATV access. The Town Administrator will be sending another to the owners, it is believed that they may be putting it there to free up room for the construction vehicles to get in and out of their property that they are building a house on.

VII. New Business

i. Department/Committee Head Briefings

- Darren Rogers, RC North: Grading dirt roads
 1. Grading dirt roads
 2. Working on wash outs
 3. Doing work on catch basins

- Gene Streck, Rescue Chief:
 1. Fender flare for the Ambulance has come in and will be getting fixed.
 2. Rescue has been accepted into the State of Maine EMS Explorer Program (1 of 4 in the State).
 3. Monitors passed for certification.

- Steve Guillemette, Fire Chief:
 1. Hose and ladder tests were completed last Thursday, and everything passed. SCBA gear/bottles tested and passed.
 2. Mousam Valley Tech will be at the Public Safety Building on Thursday morning to pair the broken pipe.
 3. Discussed hydrants that are possibly plugged.
 4. Discussed replacing engine one with a custom Fire Truck that could even get down camp roads that are about 10' wide and even smaller in winter months with snowfall.
 5. The Fire/Rescue Department went to Treasurer Island; there are 4 full time residents and the departments inquired about the Town's liability. Also, the AED is not compatible with equipment that the Town has. They were only permitted to inspect the AED's. The Town Administrator will look into the liability aspect of it.
 6. The Fire Chief presented to the Board the Shapleigh Fire Department Policy Book; it was given to the office assistant to make a copy of it.

ii. Rescue Job Description update

Recommended update to the Rescue Chief job description to add required "on shift" hours.

Michael J. Cote made a motion to approve the update change; seconded by Shawn J. Cavanaugh. No further discussion. All in favor. Motion carried 3-0.

iii. Rescue Department new hire recommendation

After reviewing the application Shawn J. Cavanaugh made a motion to hire John Tierney; seconded by Michael J. Cote. John Tierney will have dual positions (Fire and Rescue). No further discussion. All in favor. Motion carried 3-0.

iv. Supplemental Assessment for Map 032 Lot 036, removal of homestead exemption

Supplemental Assessment for Map 032 Lot 036, Kolod Family Revocable Trust due to them now claiming their homestead in Florida, the homestead exemption needs to be removed, increasing

the tax liability by \$212 for 2023. Michael J. Cote made a motion to approve the supplemental assessment for Map 032, Lot 036; seconded by Shawn J. Cavanaugh. No further discussion. All in favor. Motion carried 3-0.

v. Liquor License- Above and Beyond Catering- Babbling Brook Farm 9/16/23

Sanford High School class reunion, approximately 110 guests, catered bar area

Michael J. Cote made a motion to approve the liquor license for Above and Beyond Catering – Babbling Brook Farm for September 16, 2023; seconded by Shawn J. Cavanaugh. No further discussion. All in favor. Motion carried 3-0.

VIII. Information

- i. Planning Board Minutes, growth permits
- ii. Wall that Heals 9/5-9/10
- iii. Massabesic Adult and Community Education programs fall 2023

IX. Executive Session-

Executive Session pursuant to 1 MRSA 405 (6) (a), Personnel Matters

Michael J. Cote made a motion to go into Executive Session pursuant to 1 MRSA 405 (6) (a), Personnel Matters at 6:47 pm; seconded by Shawn J. Cavanaugh. No further discussion. All in favor. Motion carried 3-0.

Michael J. Cote made a motion to come out of Executive Session pursuant to 1 MRSA 405 (6) (a), Personnel Matters at 7:04 pm; seconded by Shawn J. Cavanaugh. No further discussion. All in favor. Motion carried 3-0.

Scott E, Cudworth stated that he will address concerns with employee.

X. Signatures

- i. Warrants
- ii. Supplemental Tax Bill
- iii. Liquor License

XI. Any other business the Board may wish to present - None

XII. Adjourn

Michael J. Cote made a motion to adjourn at 7:05 pm; seconded by Shawn J. Cavanaugh. No further discussion. All in favor. Motion carried 3-0.