

ALTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Minutes

August 20, 2018

6:00 PM

1 Monument Square

Alton, NH 03809

Approved: September 5, 2018

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

Approval of Agenda

Cydney Shapleigh made a motion to amend the agenda adding under Approval of Minutes, Public Session II and add under Discretionary Action/Request for Appointment; Alexander Ludwig, Eagle Scout Project and Reuben Wentworth seconded with all in favor of the motion.

Announcements:

- Town Offices will be closed on Monday, September 3rd in celebration of Labor Day.
- The Town Clerk/Tax Collector's Office will be closed on, Tuesday, September 11th for the State Primary which will be held at St. Katharine Drexel Church, lower level from 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM.

Board of Health

Cydney Shapleigh made a motion to recess as the Board of Selectmen and to convene as the Board of Health and Reuben Wentworth seconded with all in favor of the motion.

- Septic Waiver Request; Map 37 Lot 42, 14 Notla Lane; Gagnon

John Dever, Code Officer was present to speak on behalf of the waiver request for Alex and Martha Gagnon. John explained that this is to replace an existing system that has no record of when it was installed. The tank was replaced in 1991 with a 1250-gallon concrete tank. The request is for the pump chamber, which is to be placed at a lower elevation where the present dry well is located; therefore, where the present leach field is will be where the pump chamber will be located. There is not enough elevation drop to locate otherwise. The leach field will be on the other side of Notla Lane. The lot is very steeply sloped to the lake. The EDA will be located 144' from the shore. Reuben Wentworth asked if it was possible to pull the old tank out, putting the new tank in with the pumping chamber inside the new concrete tank. John did not believe it could be done and stated it would be a bigger impact on the lot.

Virgil MacDonald made a motion to approve the septic waiver request, actual 40', required 75' for Map 37 Lot 42, 14 Notla Lane and Cydney Shapleigh seconded with all in favor of the motion.

Cydney Shapleigh made a motion to adjourn as the Board of Health and reconvene as the Board of Selectmen and Phil Wittmann seconded with all in favor of the motion.

Public Hearing

- Road Reconstruction - Marlene Drive and Sunset Shores Road

Ken Roberts, Highway Agent was called upon to address the Board and the audience to explain the scenarios that will take place during the reconstruction on Marlene Drive and Sunset Shores Road. If necessary, individual questions for specific properties will be taken downstairs in the Heidke Room after the meeting. Ken explained that the reason this came about was due to a grant that was given to the town from the State of NH for approximately 169K which is to be used for an unplanned project. By vote of the Board of Selectmen it was decided that this money would be dedicated for this project. The work will begin at the corner of Beaver Dam and Alton Shores with the section of culvert that has collapsed, correcting the drainage problem. Down Marlene Drive

there are several large rocks that need to be removed by breaking them up. There are water lines that should have all been identified. At the first house a drainage ditch will be installed with an underground system and a catch basin installed at the Stephanie Lane location to collect the water just beyond. All culverts will be replaced as necessary. Moving to the corner at Sunset we are aware that there are water lines in that area. A catch basin was installed many years ago which has been maintained, depending on the condition of the pipe that runs under the road; it may need to be replaced. On the opposite side of the road another catch basin will be installed and underground piping will be run; the current ditch line will be removed. On the hill it will not have an enormous ditch line however we will keep one along the edge of the roadway. All driveways will have 2 to 4 foot aprons installed if they already have pavement for a good transition. Moving around the corner to the "deep dive", access has been given to the water by Mrs. Deninger. The old ditch line will be closed off and five (5) catch basins will be installed before it gets to the water, which will allow the collection of phosphates from the sand and silt before migrating to the lake. With the assistance of the Alton Shores Association at the top in the Bonny area there are two (2) catch basins one on each side of the road. The only issue is that the left hand catch basin by Bonny is connected to the one on the beach, which doesn't go anywhere so what happens is it floods to the top and runs down the hill, floods the properties and takes all the sand to the lake. In surveying the area it was discovered that the roadway is not exactly where it was supposed to be and an attempt will be made to shift the road back into the easement line. We will try to control the water moving it more to the left hand side. On the dirt section a culvert will be installed; from there up to the turnaround will have a bituminous berm for water control. The turnaround will be enlarged by cutting the embankment back. One easement is still pending for helping with the icing issue. From the top of the hill a special underground drainage system will be installed for catching all the water; to outlet it down below. The road will be dug out, one lane at a time 24 inches removing the rocks. Once all the work has been done the grader will come in to finish grade the road, pound it down, calcium chloride it, then place a 2" binder coat then a finish coat the following year; this allows for any deficiencies that may be discovered and corrected before the final pavement.

At this time, the floor was opened for public questions/comments.

Bill Mannion questioned where the money was coming from. Ken responded from the grant money received from the State of NH.

Karen Poor questioned if the work would go right down to Avery Hill Road. Ken responded that it would only go to the town turnaround just beyond Bonny.

David Freni inquired as to how this would affect the beach in the Bonny area. Ken responded that the beach will not be affected and really doesn't change anything with the catch basins being installed the slowing of the water and all the work being done it would take care of any problems in that area.

Anthony Costonis questioned the timeframe schedule from start to finish and he would like to hear more about the maintenance of the catch basins once the project is finished. Ken responded that the work should be beginning on Thursday and there is no finish date; it is dependent upon issues that may arise underground. Catch basins are 90+" deep and could take a lot of time to install as well as the underground pipes. Ken hopes that it would be before the snow flies. The hope is to keep one lane open at all times however the only time there might be a delay is when the road is being crossed with a pipe, which will only be while the pipe is being laid then being back filled. Signage will be placed and diversion will take place.

Scott Myers questioned the Avery Hill side of Sunset with part of it being maintained by the town wondering why that is not being paved. Ken responded that the money will not go that far and was not a part of what is being dealt with today suggesting that this may be a request to the Board of Selectmen for a later date. At this time, the Public Hearing closed. Individual property questions will be taken downstairs by Ken Roberts.

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

None

Appointments:

Milfoil Committee Annual Status Update

Ted Carl, Chairman and Bill Mannion, Vice Chairman of the Milfoil Committee approached the Board and read the following into the record:

Report of the Milfoil Committee to Board of Selectmen August 20, 2018

My name is Ted Carl and I am the Chairman of the comm., and with me is Bill Mannion who is the Vice Chairman. Bill lives on the Alton part of Halfmoon Lake and I live 6-7 months a year on Sleeper Island. Other members are Greg Basanti and Dave Gould, and Jan and Nancy Downing still give us valuable advice even though they are no longer members of the comm. Kellie Troendle is our staff support person who keeps us straight following town rules.

All of the contractor work for the year has been completed. The herbicide work, which is the fastest and simplest of the two methods we use, was all done in one day on July 17th and consisted of treating 12.2 acres. The areas were in the cove at West Alton, Minge Cove, Rand Cove, Parker Marine and the boat docks across the water from Parker. Also treated were a few spots in the south part of Alton Bay.

The DASH work (diver assisted suction harvesting) is more time consuming and more expensive, but due to the location of the town wells (one at Levy Park and one at Jones Field) we cannot use the herbicide treatment in the Merrymeeting River south of Parker Marine. DASH work was done in parts of Rand Cove, and spots in the Bay around the swim platform and boat ramp, the swim beach and a general sweep of the south part of the bay not marked for herbicide treatment. All told, 20 days of DASH or dive work was done of which 15 days were spent in the Merrymeeting River. This year more time was spent on both sides of the dam, where there were large patches of heavy milfoil growth, which can migrate down river toward the bay.

The river is the biggest challenge, but in much better shape (probably 75% better) today than just 5 years ago. There is a clear open channel where kayakers can navigate without chopping thru areas of milfoil. All together, the DASH work collected 5,155 gallons of milfoil. If we could only find a way to add, flavor to the milfoil and sell it to China!

We are in the third year of our three year contracts, and are going thru the bid process for the next 3 years. Bids are due Sept. 18th and the comm. will meet Sept. 27th to evaluate the bids and make recommendations to the Board.

Virgil MacDonald questioned if it would be possible to treat the lake area in June or in the Fall opposed to July with vacationers and all the summer swimmers. Ted responded that June is really the preferable timeframe however, the contractor could not come in at that time. He was going to come in the week of July 4th however the committee asked that that be delayed. Bill noted that the best time to hit the Milfoil is while it is growing vigorously for effective treatment. We will ask that this be done however, they need to work around the Parks and Recreation schedule; the committee stated they will push for an earlier date next year.

Reuben Wentworth voiced concern about not using herbicide in the river at all because of the town wells. Ted responded that they don't treat south of Parker Marine. Reuben voiced that the Water Department is doing additional well testing that might not be necessary; they were told it needed to be done; Ted is unsure if it is necessary or not. Reuben would like to know the answer because it would save the town some money if it is not required. Regardless, Ted voiced that he is unsure but felt that it is a good idea to test. Bill Mannion noted that a few years back when the subject came up the idea was to be "extra special careful." Where the marina hits the land is where the treatment stops. In addition, Reuben questioned treatments in other bodies of water/areas within the town. Bill and Ted both responded that several other areas have been viewed such as Halfmoon, Gilman Pond, Sunset, Hills etc. With kayakers and boat traffic, continuing up the Merrymeeting River is important to keep the channel clear and work further up the river south as money allows. Island areas are also viewed.

The Board thanked Ted and Bill for their update.

Parks and Recreation Commission Annual Update

Elizabeth "Liz" Shelton, Parks and Recreation Commission Chair approached the Board with her update. In the past, the Commission has updated on the Board on the Parks and felt that an update on the programs that are offered would be in order. Liz mentioned that the Commission is still seeking additional members, one (1) full time member and one (1) alternate member. The sponsored programs and events include the following:

- Adult co-ed softball league
- Pickle ball league
- Youth soccer skills camp (trialing a partnership this year with the Rev's United)
- Basketball skills camp with the High School kids
- Yoga classes
- Zumba classes
- Strength training classes
- Hair braiding classes
- Littlepesaukee play group support
- Camp Winnepesaukee summer camp
- Science summer camp
- Country line dancing lessons

- Bandstand concerts on Saturday nights
- Sponsoring Old Home Week events to include: 5K road race, craft fair, Barbershoppers Jamboree, cribbage tournament
- Townwide yard sale
- Light up night
- Egg Hunt
- Ice skating party (1st year, well attended and feel if they work with ABA it will be even more successful)
- Alton Youth League support (field improvements)

In addition, they are currently working on signage for the suggested walking path from the Bay to Jones Field.

The Board thanked Liz for her update.

New Business:

1. Recycling Contract Informational Discussion

Scott Simonds, Solid Waste Director and Peter Lachapelle, Waste Management Representative approached the Board to discuss the bid proposal for recycling. Scott stated that this contract would be drastically changing which will affect his budget because we have been receiving revenues from recyclables but we will now be paying to get rid of them. This has been all over the news. Peter addressed the Board to discuss today’s recycling market opposed to in the past. China has put a ban on many different commodities including mixed paper and plastics, which is a driving force to these changes. Their contamination limit has dropped from approximately 5% to less than 1% contamination. The town is doing a great job of separating and have resisted the push to go to single stream recycling which would have made the proposal that much higher due to added processing. Under the current contract there is no charge for glass or any of the commodities and we give a current rebate for aluminum tin cans; this rebate will still be offered. Mixed paper had a value previously now it has zero value so we are paying to process a mixed bale and it is the same with plastic, currently glass has no market. Peter hopes that the market will open in the future. Scott outlined the costs for Mixed Paper \$135.00 per ton, Commingle (Plastic) \$125.00 per ton, Glass \$35.00 per ton to dispose of these items; this will be a huge “hit” to the town. Peter feels that the first thing that will change will be the paper. Peter and Scott don’t want to see people stop recycling and just throwing it all away which is what some towns are doing. A newsletter will be left for the Board and will be sent each month to Liz Dionne. This contract will cost more now however when the market comes back we will be in a much better position.

Reuben Wentworth questioned the 2.5% increase reflected in the provided proposal, which he noted it is a good rate; businesses are being hit with a 20% increase each year. This 2.5% increase also includes the trucking. John Markland asked why the bids were broken out to a 3-year, 5-year and 7-year. It was offered this way on the original bid as it had been done this way in the past. He further questioned why all of the changes and why would a longer-term award be considered. Cydney Shapleigh stated the fees could go up. Reuben asked if the fees would go down with changes to the market. Peter responded “yes” based on the formula used and based on the marketing index, if the market pricing goes up the price goes down. No matter what it is the same formula would be used for over the years of the contract, Waste Management will fluctuate with the changing costs of the market. When the market is good, you don’t pay, when it is bad, you pay.

Cydney Shapleigh made a motion to award the Solid Waste Contract for 7 years to Waste Management of New Hampshire and John Markland seconded with all in favor of the motion.

Scott Simonds stated he had the contract and will drop it off to the Town Administrator.

Cydney Shapleigh amended the previous motion to add authorizing Liz Dionne, Town Administrator to sign the contract with Waste Management and Reuben Wentworth seconded the amended motion with all in favor of the amended motion.

2. Hawkers & Vendors Application Request; Baked Brewed & Organically Moo’ed - Approval

Virgil MacDonald questioned why this would come before the Selectmen as the owner lives in Barnstead. Cydney Shapleigh noted it was because she wants to sell in Alton.

Genevieve Michaud, owner of the ice cream truck approached the Board for questions stating that she has to obtain a permit in any town that she sells.

Reuben Wentworth questioned how this works with any other Hawkers & Vendors that come into town to sell as he wasn't sure if anything had changed or if he had missed something from a previous meeting that he may not have attended or if the subject had not been revisited.

Liz Dionne responded to Reuben's inquiry with, yes they would still need to come forward with an application. The Hawker & Vendor Ordinance is still being visited. Reuben voiced concern that this could cause issue with others if we move forward with this. It was noted that this is a bit different as this is a moving vendor not a stationary vendor.

Virgil MacDonald made a motion to approve the Hawker & Vendor license for Baked, Brewed & Organically Moo'ed and Cydney Shapleigh seconded.

Further discussion: Reuben Wentworth voiced concerns of the vendor pulling in down in the bay area and parking. The owner interjected stating that she personally has no intention or plans for accessing the bay area. Knowing this is a larger scope at hand than just her business.

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

3. PMHS Color Guard, Car Wash Request, Saturday, August 25th, Noon to 4:00 PM - Approval

Reuben Wentworth made a motion to approve the PMHS Color Guard car wash request and Virgil MacDonald seconded with all in favor of the motion.

4. Jones Field Bridge Discussion

Kellie Troendle, Parks and Recreation Director and Ken Roberts, Highway Agent approached the Board to discuss the Jones Field Bridge, which is in need of crib repairs. Photos were provided of the repairs needed and the temporary fix that has been done by the Highway Department. Kellie stated that it would be the Selectmen's decision as to how it will be funded. Kellie plans to put it in her 2019 Operating Budget. The total cost for the repairs was provided which included the permitting fees at roughly \$6,200. Virgil MacDonald voiced using the 50K Warrant Article that was approved for Jones Field upgrades. Cydney Shapleigh noted that the way the Warrant Article was written, DRA would need to be consulted and referenced the wording within the Article. Ken Roberts voiced that the project really needs to be done in the fall during low water time when the bridge can be closed with no access allowed reiterating that this project needs to be done. Only soccer goes into the fall through October. The money could come out of this year's budget, not doing some of the other intended projects. The cost is very reasonable for the necessary work. Cydney mentioned the possibility of using the Capital Reserve Fund for bridge reconstruction; Ken was not sure if that could be used and DRA would need to be consulted. Again, Ken voiced that this project needs to be done this fall. Only one side of the crib needs repairing. Discussion transpired regarding using railroad ties vs. pressure treated vs. regular timbers. Guard rail posts were used for the temporary fix. DES might be able to offer options. This needs to be done for safety issues and it needs to move forward.

Virgil MacDonald made a motion to fix the bridge on Letter S Road and John Markland seconded with all in favor of the motion.

In addition, Reuben Wentworth would like see if the Warrant Article can be used so that it doesn't affect either department's budget.

Old Business:

1. Fire Department, Ambulance Bid Recommendation - Approval

Jim Beaudoin, Fire Chief and Evan Turcotte, Deputy Fire Chief approached the Board to discuss the purchase of the new Ambulance. Only one (1) bid was received for a new ambulance; the Chief assured the Board that the bid was sent out to 5 or 6 companies.

Reuben Wentworth made a motion to approve the bid as submitted by the Fire Chief and Virgil MacDonald seconded.

For clarification, the Chief wanted to discuss a few things on the bid before the vote. He went through the bid thoroughly. The Warrant Article approves 215K, the bid comes in at 216K+ with \$3,500 trade-in value for a working ambulance; unfortunately that ambulance is no longer working. Jim spoke with the representative, if they can find a buyer he will take it in trade and sell it but it will be hard to find a buyer for an ambulance that doesn't run.

There are a couple of items that can be taken out of the bid to bring the price down in line. The only big thing that would hurt would be taking the air horns out but the siren box still has an electric air horn so there is still a safety sound. Some of the other things we have on the current ambulance could be moved over which results in cost savings. The next issue is the initial payment in the Warrant Article shows 47K, within the bid if we make a payment of \$50,728 we get a discount; the Chief does not have the difference. Cydney Shapleigh stated that we can only expend the 47K from the Warrant Article; the Chief does not have the money within this year's budget to do make up the difference stating that he can possibly come up with 1K. The Ambulance Revolving Account was brought forth in the discussion; there was no problem with using that as long as it is used for the Ambulance. By taking off everything the Chief wanted or settled for the price would be over by \$970. It is a compromise and doesn't affect any safety issues. It would bring the price down to \$215,970 but he can't come up with the initial payment for this year; that difference is \$3,728. The old ambulance will be taken if the vendor can find a buyer, if not it will need to be towed or it could be put it out to bid. The money would go back into the general fund. Liz Dionne stated that the \$970 should really come out of the revolving fund and not the budget. The \$3,728 should all come from the revolving account so that when the ambulance comes in it is ready to go and only needs to be supplied. The preference is to do the full bid and take it out of the revolving fund; the purpose of that fund is the ambulance.

Cydney Shapleigh amended the motion on the table to approve the bid to include taking enough for the first year's payment and the overage balance needed from the Ambulance Revolving Fund and Reuben Wentworth seconded with all in favor of the amended motion.

2. Water Bandstand Committee, Plaque Recommendation - Approval

Paul Larochelle, Nancy Merrill and Robert Janes from the Water Bandstand Committee were present to discuss their request to recommend the Water Bandstand dedication plaque and its installation upon completion. It is an all brass 8.5x11 plaque with black lettering at a cost of \$375 with specific wording provided. The old plaque will be cleaned, resealed and reinstalled. This type of plaque seems to be the best option for durability and should stand up well for 35 years.

Virgil MacDonald made a motion to approve the brass plaque and Cydney Shapleigh seconded with all in favor of the motion.

In addition, the Committee requested a proclamation by the Selectmen to establish June 22, 2019 as the Water Bandstand Day. The Committee would like to put together a celebration for the completion of the project to involve different associations from around town with activities, dignitaries etc. This would be a re-dedication of the Water Bandstand. June 22nd is a Saturday and would be a celebration for the people of Alton who have supported this cause. The Committee is looking for permission to move forward with this plan and get people involved with the different activities. The goal is to re-establish the life of the Water Bandstand as it was previously used. Phil Witmann voiced he would like to see arrangements made to have the Mount Washington come in during the festivities; this is huge. The Committee offered to contact the Mount Washington folks.

Virgil MacDonald made a motion to make June 22, 2019 the Water Bandstand Celebration Day and John Markland seconded.

Further discussion: Nancy Merrill asked the Board if they felt money should be placed in the budget for this day in the event that it is needed. A petition Warrant Article could be written and the Board had no issue with this. In addition, people have offered to donate funds; we don't know how this should be handled. Liz Dionne stated that it would be the Board's responsibility to vote to open an escrow account to be held by the Treasurer for incoming monies and expenses for the Water Bandstand Committee 2019.

The motion on the table for the date was called with all in favor of the motion.

John Markland made a motion to open an escrow account for the Water Bandstand Committee for revenues and expenses and Virgil MacDonald seconded with all in favor of the motion.

John Markland amended the previous motion to open an escrow account for the Water Bandstand Committee for revenues and expenses with the Board of Selectmen acting as agents to expend the monies and Virgil MacDonald seconded with all in favor of the amended motion.

Paul LaRochelle gave the Board an update of the work that has been done. The old wiring has been removed, the ceiling inside the bandstand and the soffits are complete. The next step is to order the lights having them installed, ordering the flagpole and next will be painting the ceiling. A lot of the conduit has been removed and replaced with one work box with a breaker on it and another four way gang box for electric which should be sufficient. Adequate lighting will be provided and will give the appearance of what it was years ago. Within the

next few weeks pressure washing will be done then the prep work for painting. Phil Wittmann suggested that Yankee Magazine should be at the festivities.

At this time, Cydney Shapleigh requested that the Discretionary Appointment request for Alexander Ludwig be moved; the Board was in agreement.

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

Alexander Ludwig; Boy Scout Troop 53, Eagle Scout Project

John Markland made a motion to approve the Discretionary Appointment request for Alexander Ludwig for the next meeting 9/5 and Virgil MacDonald seconded with all in favor of the motion.

Selectmen Reports

Phil Wittmann reported that the Old Home Week Committee met last week to finalize the upcoming events. We started to discuss some changes for the following year. The Committee agreed that they need more people on the Committee. John Markland inquired about the car show however; he voiced concerns about traffic and thought it might be suitable to move the event to the Bay area due to safety factors. Phil will run this by the Committee.

Reuben Wentworth reported that the Water Department is working on replacing one of the fire hydrants that has been out of service for almost two (2) years near the Mount Washington wharf. If there is enough money in the budget the one at the bottom of Rollins will be replaced. Three (3) have already been replaced this year.

Virgil Macdonald reported that the Planning Board would be meeting on Tuesday night.

John Markland reported that the CIP Committee would be meeting on Wednesday night.

Cydney Shapleigh had nothing to report.

Town Administrator Report by Liz Dionne

September 11th Election

Liz Dionne reminded the Board that the Moderator is requesting their presence at the upcoming September 11th Primary Election. Cydney Shapleigh mentioned she could get there around 1:00 PM. Mary will contact the Board to coordinate. Liz noted that at least one (1) Selectman needs to be there at all times.

NHMA Proposed Legislative Policy Change and House proposals

John Markland informed the Board that at the last meeting he was opposed to #2 and Phil Wittmann was opposed to #2 & 3 and that he is against #3 of the house proposals.

A discussion transpired as to how the Board wants to vote on the items:

1. Yes; Funding for the Police Standards and Training Council
2. No; Absentee Voting Expansion
3. No; Electronic Poll Books

At this time, Liz offered to vote yes on all items unless directed otherwise to vote no.

4. Yes; Building Plans Under RSA Chapter 91-A (after a debate amongst the Board and an explanation by the Code Officer)

Again, Liz offered to vote yes on all items unless directed otherwise to vote no. In addition a vote can be skipped all together if the Board wishes.

5. Yes; Municipal Regulation of Firearms (debated)
6. Yes; Welfare Lien Priority (discussed)
10. No; Public Area "No Smoking" Local Option
12. Yes Appointment of Town Clerks or Town Clerk/Tax Collectors (discussed)

The four (4) floor policies:

3. No; Regulating Outdoor Watering

There was no discussion on other proposed items.

West Alton Community Center

Liz asked the Board what they would like to do with the Mt. Major Community Center whether to discuss, move to another meeting, make a decision for moving forward, etc. Reuben Wentworth requested that this be moved to Non-Public Session under reputation. Liz Dionne noted this would fall under personnel. The Board was in agreement to move to Non-Public Session.

Notice of Intent to Excavate

A very lengthy and somewhat controversial/heated discussion transpired amongst the Board regarding a filing for a Notice of Intent to Excavate. After the discussion:

Reuben Wentworth made a motion to have the Town Administrator contact the Williams' to hear all sides, bring back to the next meeting for a decision for a cease and desist and Virgil MacDonald seconded.

Further discussion transpired as to whether to call the applicant, giving the benefit of the doubt, policies/procedures (sometimes waive), engineers, understanding the process, issues being taken, exceptions being made, deviations, etc.

At this time, Reuben Wentworth withdrew his motion on the table and for the issue to be brought back at the appropriate time. Liz Dionne clarified the difference between the Notice of Intent to Excavate which is the tax form and is under the Board of Selectmen's control and the actual permit for application to conduct the services which is under the Planning Board's control. Both can do a cease and desist. If someone has not submitted an application or gotten approval by following the regulations which all of the excavation operators were notified of approximately 13 months ago, that this would be happening. It was clarified that the Notice of Intent to Excavate is just a tax document for tax purposes. There was no problem filing the tax form document in a timely fashion. Filing an application for the regulations is the question at hand. The tax filing document was previously signed by the Board with the caveat that they get the application into the Planning Board within the specified 60 day period then approved by the end of the year. They only have the DRA tax document, they do not have a Town of Alton permit; Reuben would like a copy of a blank permit so the next time a motion is made he knows what it is, Liz will provide a blank copy.

Reuben would like to see this as an agenda item on a September meeting for clarification and Virgil MacDonald seconded. The Board was polled. 4 approved, 1 opposed, John Markland.

Further discussion transpired and the question came up as to why this is even before the Board when it should be a Planning Board decision as it has no place being in front of the Board of Selectmen who's part has already been decided. It was determined that this should go back to the Planning Board.

John Dever approached the table for clarification stating that the Notice of Intent to Excavate is the state tax document and the town is governed and directed by law to issue Excavation permits to local pit owners through the Planning Board. What was happening was the Notice of Intent to Excavate tax document the Selectmen could either chose to sign or not sign at which point if the Board didn't sign then the state would shut the pit down. The Selectmen chose to sign with the condition that the application with the Planning Board be submitted within 60 days if not then the Selectmen would revoke the Notice of Intent to Excavate tax document. The application with the Planning Board has had nothing submitted as of last Friday (8/17). Fair is fair, everybody should get treated equally across the board!

Approval of Minutes:

August 6, 2018

John Markland made a motion to approve the minutes of Public Session I, August 6, 2018 and Virgil MacDonald seconded. The vote was 3 approved, 2 abstentions Cydney Johnson and Reuben Wentworth.

John Markland made a motion to approve the minutes of Non-Public Session, August 6, 2018 releasing #1, 2 & 4 and Phil Wittmann seconded. The vote was 3 approved, 2 abstentions, Cydney Johnson and Reuben Wentworth.

John Markland made a motion to approve the minutes of Public Session II, August 6, 2018 and Virgil MacDonald seconded. The vote was 3 approved, 2 abstentions Cydney Johnson and Reuben Wentworth.

Approval of Consent Agenda

Cydney Shapleigh made a motion to approve the consent agenda and John Markland seconded with all in favor of the motion.

Approval - Fire Department Certification Change; Gregory Trombi, Lt./Advanced EMT \$17.68 per hour to Lt./Paramedic \$21.18 per hour.

Approval - Roberts and Greene Auditors three (3) Year Contract Renewal for 2018, 2019 and 2020.

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

None

Non-Public Session:

Cydney Shapleigh made a motion to enter into non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II (a) (b) (c) and (e) and John Markland 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
Cydney Shapleigh, yes

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary K. Jarvis

Mary K. Jarvis
Recording Secretary