

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
TOWN OF PEMBROKE, NH
February 18, 2021 at 6:30 PM**

Present: Selectman Richard Bean, Selectman Karen Yeaton, Selectman Ann Bond

Excused: Selectman Michael Crockwell, Selectman Sandy Goulet

Staff: Town Administrator David Jodoin

I. Call to Order:

Chairman Ann Bond called the meeting to order at 6:34pm.

II. Citizens Comment:

None

III. Scheduled Meetings

None

IV. Old Business:

None

V. New Business

2017/2018 Tax Deeds

Last year, the Board did not deed due to federal COVID restrictions on foreclosures. Those residents were notified that those properties would be deeded in 2021 if they did not pay on their account. The deeding date is May 6th.

Also this week residents need to pay their 2020 taxes in full by February 25th. The lien process and extra charges will be added and certified letters sent to the delinquent accounts and the lien will be recorded the first week of April.

Acceptance of State MS-737

Selectman Bean made a motion to accept the MS-737 report from the Budget Committee for posting. Selectman Yeaton seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

Signing of Town Warrant for Posting

Selectman Yeaton made a motion to sign the Town Warrant for Posting. Selectman Bean seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

Town meeting voting is Tuesday, March 9, 2021 from 11:00am – 7:00pm. The voters are further notified to meet at Pembroke Academy gymnasium Saturday, March 13, 2021 at 10:00am to act upon the warrant articles.

Casella Support Letter

David explained that Casella sent a letter looking for support from various towns. There is a significant decline in capacity in New Hampshire and there will be a shortfall of 21 million tons projected over the next 20 years. The shortfall will result in a larger carbon impact as trucks will need to drive further to dispose of waste including contracts with out of state facilities. This will increase the costs to NH communities significantly. Casella is looking to make an integrated waste management system that includes the landfill in Dalton and recycling facility in Southern New Hampshire.

Selectman Bean made a motion to authorize the chair to sign the support letter for Casella. Selectman Bond seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

Manifests/Abatements

Selectman Bond made a motion to accept the manifests and abatements as presented. Selectman Yeaton seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

Minutes 1/19/21, 1/27/21, 2/1/21; Non-Public 12/21/20

Selectman Bean made a motion to accept the minutes of 1/19/21, 1/27/21, and 2/1/21. Selectman Bond seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

VI. Town Administrator Report:

TD Bank sent a letter stating they will provide currier services at no charge for the next five years.

With spring approaching, Recreation is looking for clarification on how the Selectman feel about opening the fields in Town as well as the summer camp. Little League and Suncook Soccer are planning to move forward with opening registration. Selectman Bond asked if there is a minimum number of children that need to attend the summer camp to make it affordable to the town. David stated that Rose Galligan and Sarah, the Director for the Summer Camp, are having discussions about how the program will look this year. They are also going to talk to the School District about using one of the schools for a rain location now that Village School has been sold and is unavailable. The Selectman feel the fields and summer camps should be open

and it is up to the parents to decide whether or not they will send the kids. The Selectman also feel Old Home Day should go on as scheduled.

The Town Attorney sent a letter regarding the parking in the Village at the Church. He feels the most cost-efficient thing for the Town to do is to have the Church grant the Town an easement and the Town would then be responsible for maintenance and enforcement. David will check with Primex to check on liability.

David read a letter from James Kerry, 419 Ross Road, who was granted an exception to reside in an RV on the property until March 1st. Due to the following reasons, he is requesting an extension to April 30th; the RV is currently frozen to the ground and unable to be moved, the RV park he will be moving to does not open until the end of April, if he is evicted from the property then he will be homeless as the RV is his primary residence, the pipes on the property will freeze if he is not there to attend to them, and all utilities have been paid to date.

Selectman Bean made a motion to grant an extension to James Kerry until April 30, 2021 with no possibility of future extensions. Selectman Yeaton seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

David read a letter from Andy Camidge regarding the in-person March Town Meeting. Andy stated concerns for the large elderly population in town, the rumors of a “mask free area”, residents feeling resistant to a large indoor gathering amounting to voter suppression, Pembroke being named among the highest community spread, and the possibility of violation of Executive Order 74. Selectman Yeaton stated that they have not previously discussed having a mask free section. There will be a section available for additional social distancing. David stated that this point the meeting date has been posted. The Selectman feel they have been planned a safe and responsible meeting and will not change the date.

David received a notice of an appeal application from William Evans regarding the Upper Beacon Hill Road Project. The notice stated he filed the application with the State of New Hampshire Housing Appeals Board. David is going to look further into this and it will be on the agenda for the next meeting.

VII. Committee Reports:

Selectman Yeaton – None

Selectman Bean – None

Selectman Bond – Planning had a public hearing to review the Town’s master plan. The meeting was run by Central New Hampshire Regional Planning. Selectman Bean discussed the presentation by the Conservation Commission at the meeting on

Monday February 15th regarding the damage being done to the Range Roads. They will be back to talk to the Selectman on March 1st. They are looking to not allow motorized vehicle use of any weight except snowmobiles between December 16-May 31.

VIII. Other Citizens Comment:

None

IX. Non-Public Session:

Selectman Bond made a motion to enter into non-public session in accordance with RSA 91-A:3 II(a) The dismissal, promotion, or compensation of any public employee or the disciplining of such employee, or the investigation of any charges against him or her, unless the employee affected (1) has a right to a meeting and (2) requests that the meeting be open, in which case the requests shall be granted. seconded by Selectman Yeaton at 7:21pm

Roll Call Vote:

Selectman Yeaton	Yes
Selectman Bean	Yes
Selectman Bond	Yes

The Board came out of non-public session at 7:31 PM

X. Adjourn:

Selectman Bean made a motion to adjourn at PM. Selectman Yeaton seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

Ann Bond, Chairman

For more detailed information, the meetings are now taped and can be seen on www.townhallstreams.com click on Pembroke NH and look for the day of the meeting under the month.