

Selectmen's /Assessors Meeting Summary

May 29, 2019

7:00 P.M.

Selectmen Present: Wesley Daniel, Berkley Linscott, Tom Johnston

Others Present: Town Clerk-Mary Anderson, CEO-Bob Temple, Road Foreman- Frank Jones, Jr., Traci Hoffman, Mitch Garnett, Steve Ocean

Wesley Daniel called the Public Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. He stated that the discussion is regarding two changes to the Town Ordinances. The first to be discussed is a change to the Mining Ordinance; Which is a definition change:

ARTICLE III – DEFINITIONS & REFERENCES

§6 Definitions

Operator: Any person or entity conducting any use governed by this ordinance from any location in the Town of Washington.

“ARTICLE VIII – ENFORCEMENT AND INSPECTIONS.

§1 Annual Compliance Inspection

~~B. The Annual Compliance Inspection (ACI) shall be conducted by the CEO prior yearly during the months of June thru October.~~

~~1. The CEO shall provide the selectmen, site owner, and site operator with a report outlining any violations of this ordinance and remediation required.~~

B. Annual Compliance Inspection:

1. Each Calendar year, the Operator of any mineral extraction use must seek an Annual Compliance Inspection (“ACI”) from the Code Enforcement Officer.
2. Annual Compliance Inspections may only occur between June 1 and October 1 of each year.
3. Prior to performing the ACI, the Operator must pay the Annual Compliance Inspection Fee.
4. The Operator shall provide an updated sketch plan of the pit showing active extractions that are ongoing or planned for the next twelve months and all reclaimed land.
5. Every five years, the Operator shall submit an updated site plan incorporating the current configuration of the pit and all reclaimed land as shown in prior sketch plans and a copy of any Notice to Comply filed with the State of Maine.
6. The Operator shall demonstrate that they are in compliance with the Mining Ordinance or with the State standards if they have utilized State Permitting for their project.
7. The CEO shall provide to the Selectmen, Operator, and Site Owner a report within 30 days of the ACI outlining violations of this Ordinance.
8. Failure to obtain an ACI prior to October 1 of the calendar year in which the pit was operated may result in a stop work order and notice of violation.
9. Operating a pit after a notice of violation shall be a daily violation. Each daily violation shall be subject to all of the remedies described 30-A MRSA §4452.”

Wesley asked if there were any questions or comments regarding this change. Steve Ocean asked if there had been any feedback from the mining community and Wesley stated that there had not been.

Wesley stated that the next change to be discussed is a change to the Subdivision Ordinance:

“ARTICLE XI – GENERAL STANDARDS

§ 11.4 Lots

~~C. Lots with multiple frontages shall be avoided wherever possible. When lots do have frontage on two or more roads, the plan, and deed restrictions shall indicate vehicular access shall be located only on the less traveled way.~~

C. Regarding primary vehicular access when property borders two town roads; least travelled road preferred entry unless waived by board for valid reason (interferes with utilities for example).

§11.11 Access Control and Traffic Impacts

~~A2. Where a lot has frontage on two or more roads, the access to the lot shall be provided to the lot across the frontage and to the road where there is lesser potential for traffic congestion and for hazards to traffic and pedestrians.~~

A2. Regarding primary vehicular access when property borders two town roads; least travelled road preferred entry unless waived by board for valid reason (interferes with utilities for example)”

Wesley asked if either Mitch Garnett or Steve Ocean would like to explain. Planning Board Chairman-Mitch Garnett stated that the Ordinance as it was previously written stated that all driveways should be located on the less traveled road and did not give the Planning Board the latitude to look at the whole situation, including any obstructions or other possible issues with placing the driveway on the less travelled road. The new Ordinance gives the Board the option of looking at the situation as a whole and the option to locate the driveway on the more travelled road if that is the safer option.

After some discussion and further clarification, Wesley asked if there were any questions regarding this change and there were not. Tom Johnston made a motion to close the hearing and Wesley Daniel 2nd, All in Favor to close the meeting.

Wesley Daniel called the Selectmen’s Meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Approve Summary of May 22, 2019: Motion to approve by Tom Johnston, 2nd by Berkley Linscott, All in favor.

Sign Treasurer’s Warrant dated May 29, 2019:

\$4,088.04-Payroll

\$2,163.95-A/P Vendor

Motion to pay both warrants by Tom Johnston, 2nd by Berkley Linscott, All in favor.

Road Foreman Report: Written by Frank Jones, Jr. and read by Wesley Daniel:

5/13/19 6:30am-4:30pm: Bill, Kevin, Greg and Frank ditched on Old Union Road.

5/14/19 6:30am-4:30pm: We ditched on Old Union Road

5/15/19 6:30am-4:30pm: We took off 2 sheets of plywood in the garage; ditched on Old Union Road, ditching done. Marked Calderwood for ditch Dig Safe #20192111735 and #20192111701 Sprague Road to replace culvert Dig Safe #20192109310 and Crystal Lake Road to replace 4 culverts and ditch #20199334; Replace air can on P400.

5/16/19 6:30am-4:30pm: Greased the excavator; I started to strip off pit for the winter sand; Kevin and Greg spread on Old Mountain and Lenfest Roads.

Wesley Daniel stated that Frank Jones, Jr. had an offer from Lane (Eurovia Atlantic Coast, LLC) to trade tailings for crushed gravel, load for load. After some discussion, the Selectmen agreed that it would be a good trade because we were going to have to crush the tailings and this would save us that step. Wesley will contact Lane to negotiate having the gravel moved for us.

CEO Report: Bob Temple stated that there is a malfunctioning septic system that is being replaced that had to be redesigned and it looks good now. He is working on the findings for the Planning Board regarding the subdivision on the Calderwood Road. The deadline for the work on the trailer on Rt. 17 is June 30. Bob stopped by to check in on the progress and to remind him of the deadline. Bob stated that he is still looking into the yard debris complaint on Crystal Lake Road; he stated that it is difficult to determine which lot the debris is on. Wesley stated that much of what we see are used cars but he is more concerned with what is out back because that is what the complaint is about. He is also working with Peter Drum to get an inspection warrant for the house on Bill Luce Road.

Health Officer Report: The Health Officer was not present.

Town Clerk/Treasurer's Report: Mary Anderson stated that the bank balance is \$157,363.72. TRIO SQL has been installed on the main computer and Mary is going to add it to the other computers and we will be able to demo it before it goes live. There is also an online Webinar that is available for us to learn with for 2 weeks; after the two weeks we will have a Webinar with a live person, who will answer any questions that we have. The three ballots; the school budget and two referendum questions will be posted around town by Friday.

Other Agenda Items:

Signing of the Warrants for the June 11 Election: Wesley Daniel stated that the Selectmen need to sign the Warrants for the June 11 Election. The first being changes to the Town of Washington Mining Ordinance; The second being changes to the Town of Washington Subdivision Ordinance. Wesley Daniel moved to sign the two Warrants, Tom Johnston 2nd, All in Favor.

On June 13th, 9 a.m. Steve Cummings is coming out to do a Loss Control Survey of the Town Office, Fire Station and the Town Garage. It is done every 4-5 years.

Questions and Comments:

Motion to Adjourn by Tom Johnston, 2nd by Berkley Linscott, All in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Joan Hayward