**TOWN OF NEW DURHAM**

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

**August 2, 2021, 6:00 P.M.**

**New Durham Community Room, New Durham, NH 03855**

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**PRESENT**

David Swenson, Chair

Dorothy Veisel, Vice Chair

Ron Uyeno, Selectman

**ALSO PRESENT**

Nicole Zoltko, Town Administrator

Rudy Rosiello, Resident – via Zoom

Terry Jarvis, Resident – via Zoom

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Swenson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**PUBLIC INPUT**

Terry Jarvis, resident, stated that she was participating by Zoom to have the full experience of the virtual process so she can advise the other committees she is on.

Rudy Rosiello, resident, stated he would like to see more consistency in meeting notifications through the Town of New Durham website; he is also looking forward to the Budget Committee meeting in terms of seeing the details of budgets versus plans.

**APPOINTMENTS / ANNOUNCMENTS**

Selectman Veisel stated the New Durham Day is coming up; the Road Race will begin at 8:00 a.m. at the Farmington Fish and Game; vendors will setup at 10:00 a.m. and the Snack Shack will be open. She noted the roads in the area of the road race will be closed by the Police Department until approximately 9 a.m.; access to the Solid Waste Facility will be affected. During the day there will be music and games, with fireworks in the evening.

**TOWN ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT**

Town Administrator Zoltko distributed the consent signature manifest through August 2, 2021.

Town Administrator Zoltko stated anyone utilizing the facilities, the Town Hall is open Monday through Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Registrations and Town Clerk services can be done by appointment outside those times.

Chair Swenson stated the Town Clerk / Tax Collector will be leaving effective August 6, 2021 and on behalf of the Board thanked Donna Young for her work over the last five years.

**AGENDA REVIEW**

Chair Swenson added under Old Business: DPW Hire; Perambulation Review; Space Study Committee Update.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Perambulation Update**

Chair Swenson stated they have an official perambulation report for the New Durham and Brookfield town line. The Board reviewed the information presented. Chair Swenson stated the Town of Brookfield has reviewed the report and their Board of Selectmen have signed off on it. He explained not all markers were easily seen as many are over 100 years old.

**Chair Swenson made a motion to approve and sign the perambulation for the town line of New Durham and Brookfield as covered in the report dated June 18, 2021. Selectman Veisel seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0-0.**

**Space Needs Study Update**

Town Administrator Zoltko stated the committee had a couple meetings before COVID and there was one zoom meeting; there does not seem to be minutes from any of the meetings so that makes it difficult to know where they left off. They will need to restart the review. Chair Swenson indicated that at the last Select Board meeting the Board asked TA Zoltko to contact those community members who had been on the Space Study Review Committee whether they would be willing to continue serving and to arrange a meeting of that committee as soon thereafter as possible.

**Chair Swenson made a motion to enter nonpublic session pursuant to 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 request shall be granted; (b) The hiring of any person as a public employee; (c) Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person, other than a member of the public body itself, unless such person requests an open meeting. This exemption shall extend to any application for assistance or tax abatement or waiver of a fee, fine, or other levy, if based on inability to pay or poverty of the applicant; (e) Consideration or negotiation of pending claims or litigation which has been threatened in writing or filed by or against the public body or any subdivision thereof, or by or against any member thereof because of his or her membership in such public body, until the claim or litigation has been fully adjudicated or otherwise settled. Any application filed for tax abatement, pursuant to law, with any body or board shall not constitute a threatened or filed litigation against any public body for the purposes of this subparagraph.* Selectman Veisel seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Selectman Veisel – aye; Selectman Uyeno- aye; Chair Swenson – aye. Motion passed, 3-0-0.**

The Board entered nonpublic session at 6:17 p.m.

The Board reentered public session at 7:23 p.m.

**Chair Swenson made a motion to seal the minutes of the nonpublic session of the August 2, 2021 meeting for reasons that it may adversely affect the reputation of one other than the Board. Selectman Veisel seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Selectman Veisel – aye; Selectman Uyeno – aye; Chair Swenson – aye. Motion passed 3-0-0.**

**Chair Swenson made a motion to hire Candidate #1 for Department of Public Works Light Equipment Operator, full time, at rate of pay of $20.00 per hour subject to the Town’s Conditional Offer of Employment requirements with an anticipated start date on or before August 16, 2021. Selectman Veisel seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0-0.**

**Chair Swenson made a motion to hire a part time Administrative Assistant up to 30 hours per week at a rate of pay of $16.85 to Candidate #1 per hour subject to the Town’s Conditional Offer of Employment requirements with an anticipated start date on or before August 16, 2021. Selectman Veisel seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0-0.**

**Chair Swenson made a motion to hire a part time Building Inspector / Code Enforcement Officer / Health Officer, and appointment as Health Officer after formal acceptance, for a part time position up to 20 hours per week at a rate of pay of $28.00 per hour, subject to the Town’s Conditional Offer of Employment requirements with an anticipated start date on or before August 16, 2021. Selectman Veisel seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0-0.**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Meeting of July 8, 2021 – Edits were made. **Chair Swenson made a motion to approve the minutes as amended and subject to the Town Administrator review and confirmation of correct map and lot and abatement amount information to match the original documentations. Selectman Veisel seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0-0.**

Meeting of July 22, 2021- Postponed.

**OTHER**

Chair Swenson stated he asked the Town Administrator and Planning Board representative from the Board of Selectmen to report on the action taken by the Planning Board in regards to the land swap situation; he stated the Board of Selectmen have determined no further action is needed other than follow-up with a plat of the property and ensure it meets all the requirements. Chair Swenson requested that the Planning Board move forward.

**ADJOURN**

**Chair Swenson made a motion to adjourn. Selectman Veisel seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0-0.**

The meeting was adjourned 7:33 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer L. Riel

Jennifer Riel, Recording Secretary