

**Town of Woodstock
Selectmen's Meeting
Tuesday, October 31, 2017**

Selectmen: Joel Bourassa, Gil Rand

Staff: Judy Welch, John MacKay

Public: Michael Donahue, Patrick Griffin

Joel called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Gil seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

Public Participation:

Mike Donahue/Potato Hill Road:

Mike Donahue asked the Board to consider using some of the Highway Block Grant money to repair the section of Potato Hill Road from where the pavement ends to Arlene Mulleavey's house. He informed the Board that there is roughly 150 – 175ft of road that is concaved. Gil motioned to make the repairs to Potato Hill Road regardless of Highway Block Grant. He requested that these repairs be made before winter. Joel seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

Patrick Griffin/Transfer Station:

Patrick heard at a previous Selectmen meeting that some residents of the Town of Woodstock wanted the transfer station reopened on Thursday afternoon. Patrick recalls a vote in favor of this and wants to know why it hasn't been done. He understands that the day to day management of the transfer station has been transferred to the Town of Lincoln but Woodstock still pays 50% of the operating expenses and should have an equal say. The Board informed Patrick that there is a Joint Meeting, on November 27 at 5:30pm, in Lincoln to discuss this and encouraged him to attend.

John MacKay/Fire Truck:

John submitted a proposal from E-One for a new engine that is due to be replaced in 2018. John informed the Board that E-One was the only proposal that came in under \$400,000 and noted that the fire department had established a truck committee that reviewed proposals and trucks from five different dealers. John pointed out that this truck is similar to the engines they have now and that the last four trucks purchased by the department have been from E-One.

John informed the Board that the air packs are due to be replaced in 2020 which will cost roughly \$130,000. He suggested that the Board start contributing to a capital reserve account this year.

Minutes of the October 3, 2017 Meeting:

Gil motioned to accept the minutes of the October 3, 2017 Selectmen's Meeting. Joel seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

Minutes of the October 3, 2017 Non-Public Meeting #1:

Gil motioned to accept the minutes of the October 3, 2017 Selectmen's Non-Public Meeting #1. Joel seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

Minutes of the October 3, 2017 Non-Public Meeting #2:

Gil motioned to accept the minutes of the October 3, 2017 Selectmen's Non-Public Meeting #2. Joel seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

Minutes of the October 3, 2017 Non-Public Meeting #3:

Gil motioned to accept the minutes of the October 3, 2017 Selectmen's Non-Public Meeting #3. Joel seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

Minutes of the October 3, 2017 Non-Public Meeting #4:

Gil motioned to accept the minutes of the October 3, 2017 Selectmen's Non-Public Meeting #4. Joel seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

Woodstock Firefighter Fund/Donation:

The Woodstock Fire Department presented the Board with a gift of \$650.00, on behalf of the Woodstock Firefighters, to be deposited in the previously established Woodstock Firefighter Fund. Gil motioned to accept the gift of \$650.00 from the Woodstock Firefighters and requested that the Trustees of Trust Funds deposit it into the Woodstock Firefighter Fund. Joel seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

Check Request/Woodstock Firefighter Fund:

Gil motioned to approve the check request for \$354.79 payable to Melissa Sabourn, for a gas account at Wayne's Market for Fred Englert and thank you cards. This money is to be withdrawn from the Woodstock Firefighter Capital Reserve Fund. Joel seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

Email/Paul Kuhn/Border Patrol/Woodstock Police Department:

The Board is in receipt of an email from Paul Kuhn, Patrol Agent for Border Patrol, in which Joel read aloud:

Message:

"Good Afternoon, I wanted to express my sincere gratitude for the assistance the Woodstock Police Department provided to the United States Border Patrol during our checkpoint operation on Route I-93 during the month of August and September. Chief Ryan Oleson performed his duties with the utmost professionalism and honor. His Officers performed with the same attitude and provided us with the support we needed to make the checkpoint a success.

Chief Oleson was faced with a situation where his presence was needed to support a very important law enforcement mission; his dedication to that mission held true where others may have faltered. During my twenty-five years in law enforcement, there are Officers whom I would want on my team in bad situations; men and women whom I could count on. Chief Ryan Oleson is one of those Officers. Thank you again".

Paul F. Kuhn
Patrol Agent in Charge
Beecher Falls Border Patrol Station

Application/Cascade Park/Tiffany Stanton:

The Board reviewed an application from Tiffany Stanton to use Cascade Park on June 30, 2018 for a wedding ceremony. The required fee and insurance coverage has been received. Gil motioned to approve the application. Joel seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

Application/Cascade Park/Timothy Jack:

The Board reviewed an application from Timothy Jack to use Cascade Park on October 27, 2018 for a wedding ceremony. The required fee and insurance coverage has been received. Gil motioned to approve the application. Joel seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

Old Business:

Email/Historical Landmarks/Burney-Cox:

Cheryl was copied on an email from Megan, a Coordinator with NH Division of Historical Resources, that was sent to Nancy Leclerc acknowledging the State Historical Marker application that was submitted for the Burney-Cox property. In the email Megan noted that the application had been added to a queue with

approximately 6 other marker applications but was requesting that Nancy provide more historical documentation linking the Burney-Cox Farm to the Underground Railroad.

Letter/Steven Connolly/Flying Yankee:

The Board reviewed a follow up letter, dated October 2, 2017 from Steven Connolly in which he requests the Board to take action to stop any plans to move the Flying Yankee train. The Board will not take action.

Josh Collins/Coalition Against Bigger Trucks:

The Board reviewed a follow up email, from Josh Collins, which provided supporting documentation pertaining to the Coalition Against Bigger Trucks. Gil motioned to support the CABT and asked Judy to prepare a letter to Congress. Joel seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

Letter/Forward NH Plan:

The Board reviewed a follow up letter, dated October 2, 2017, from Forward NH Plan, pertaining to the construction of Northern Pass. No action taken.

New/Other Business:

Letter/NHDOT:

The Board received an information letter, dated October 6th, from NHDOT pertaining to the parking in Franconia Notch State Park. Took under advisement. No action taken.

Infrastructure Improvements/Old Fire House:

Joel would like to have a scope of work put together for the much-needed repairs at the old fire house on Lost River Road. He would like the repairs put out to bid this fall for 2018 spring construction. Gil will put together the scope of work. Joel motioned to solicit bids to repair the old fire house and use money appropriate in the capital reserve account established for town buildings. Gil seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

Infrastructure Improvements/Town Office Building:

Joel would like to use money appropriated in the capital reserve account established for town buildings to hire an architect to look at the administrative office space in the town building. He would like an architect to work with Judy to prepare plans that better utilize the space we have before any construction begins. The plans would then be reviewed by the Board prior to going out to bid. Joel motioned to solicit bids for architectural plans for the administrative office space in the town building. Gil seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

Joel motioned to adjourn the Selectmen's Meeting at 7:47 p.m. Gil seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

November 14, 2017

Joel B.
Gil