

**TOWN OF JAFFREY**  
**Jaffrey, New Hampshire**  
**Select Board Meeting Minutes**  
**February 27, 2017**

**Chairman:** Donald MacIsaac

**Selectmen:** James Moore, Frank Sterling

**Interim Town Manager:** John MacLean

**A. Call to Order**

**Non-Public – 6:00pm**

**B. Approval of Meeting Minutes**

On a motion by MacIsaac, seconded by Moore the Public Minutes of 02/15/17 were approved (3-0)

On a motion by Moore, seconded by Sterling, Public minutes of 2/22/17 were approved with corrections (3-0).

**C. Appointments-**

6:15pm – Mark Bean – Cheshire Road Discontinuance- Mr. Bean stated that pedestrian safety was discussed at the last meeting. It raises an issue as to whether the road can be left open for emergency issues, in case the bridge on Fitch Road is not an option. The concern is the tunnel under the road was built in the 1950's with more supports put in in the 1990's. Emergency equipment, ie fire trucks could put even more stress on the tunnel and could cause more damage to the aging tunnel. Mr. Bean doesn't want the liability of that being a public road unless the Town wants help with the tunnel repair. Chairman MacIsaac explained that abutters on White Road were notified and may attend the next BOS meeting for information and comments. At Town Meeting, MacIsaac will present this article. It makes sense to him to discontinue the section that runs thru the Bean property. The status of the Fitch Road bridge was discussed by Randy Heglin. It is one of the better bridges in town. It's inspected every 2 years by the DOT. Heglin was more concerned with a tunnel collapse than a bridge failure. Sterling was concerned about a backup plan if the Fitch Rd. bridge was closed. Chief Oswalt was concerned about using it as an emergency bypass in case of accidents on Rte. 202. Jo Anne Carr mentioned that there are alternate routes available to Cheshire Road, further up Route 202 that can used, although may not be convenient. Mark mentioned that the deeds for the properties behind Cheshire Road state that they have rights for the use of the road. Load limits would have to be posted if it remained a Town road. Mark provided pictures of the damaged caused to the tunnel from heavy vehicles. The thought was to fence off the section of the road that can't be used. The BOS feels that it should be discontinued because safety. Abutters will be able to attend next BOS Meeting for information and discussion.

Jo Anne Carr – Route 202 Traffic Project Update- A final scope of services was developed over an 18-month process with input of department heads. Jo Anne was the liaison with DOT to bring our comments back to DOT. Traffic counts during the day and off-season times. Survey work will be done. There's a lot of concern the pre-conceived roundabout and we need to do a lot of education if that is the solution chosen. The public should be given an opportunity to give their opinions. The 5-way intersection is a minor aspect of the total project. The bridge is the larger part of the project. Randy Heglin and Doug Starr have given very detailed comments on the aspects to be attentive to storm water management off the roadway. DOT has agreed to have a Technical Advisory

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Committee of which membership would be able to represent and report back to their specific areas. Members would be a Selectmen appointed committee consisting of 10-13 members. Public participation will be 3 informational meetings, the website and the newsletter and a public hearing at the end of the project. Contract goes through 2019 and is funded until then. Benefits are more parking and lesser traffic flow at 5-way.

Randy Heglin-LED Streetlight Update- Pilot study is installing 6 lights in town. Recommended in stalling them in alternating with existing lights. Turnpike and Stratton roads were chosen. The complete LED conversion would be a 2-day process. 6-8 weeks after the pilot gets the go ahead, the lights will be installed. The lights will be up for 4-6 weeks, set up a survey and if meets with the general approval of the public, then proceed with a request for proposals for a turn-key type system. Jaffrey Center lights don't meet Eversource requirements for the rebates, the wattage was too high and lights have to be gray. Randy will look for more options. To inform the public, he could put a link where the lights are on the website or a reverse Code Red. MacIsaac asked if there was an opportunity to add lights where the public thinks more lights are needed. There will be a survey done for potential locations.

There was discussion of the equipment purchases scheduled this year for DPW and there are none scheduled.

**D. Consent Agenda**

1. Payroll and Vendor Manifests
2. Abatements
  - a) #17-09 – Summit Title Services –126 Squantum Road - \$ 952.36
3. Local River Management Advisory Committee Nominee Form
  - a) Carolyn Garretson
4. Elderly Exemption – Ruta King – 17 First Tavern Road
5. Tax Collector Appointment
6. Refund Vouchers
  - a) #17-12 – Elizabeth Dearani – 10 Colton Drive - \$ 28.08
  - b) #17-13 – Jaffrey Chamber of Commerce – 7 Main Street – \$99.00
  - c) #17-14 – Terry McDonald – 85 Michigan Road - \$135.87
7. Meetinghouse Request
  - a) #17-2 -Stephen Kornreich – Wedding- August 5, 2017 – 2:30pm to 3:15pm
8. Review of MS-9 & MS -10

On a motion by Moore, seconded by Sterling the consent agenda was approved not including Abatement #17-09, which needs more clarification from the Tax Collector. (3-0)

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**F. Select Board's Business**

Selectmen's Reports

MacIsaac –none

Moore – 2/21/17 was the Recycling Committee meeting, Tom Rothemel has resigned as chair, Tory McCagg was voted as Chair. The committee would like to stay together and will have an informational handout at Town Meeting. Emily Preston also resigned. There was discussion regarding the direction of the committee and the desired outcome. Con Com Meeting on 2/22/17- met with the Villa Pony Farm. They want to do more outreach programs at the library.

Sterling – No updates.

Town Manager's Report - none

**G. New Business**

**H. Other Business**

- Resolution #2017-02- Highway Safety Grant Acceptance – Chief Oswalt explained that this would put a scanner, printer and GPS unit in 3 of their primary patrol units. \$ 2,700 would buy the equipment for 3 cruisers, installation and training.

On a motion by Sterling, seconded by Moore, Resolution #2017-02 was approved (3-0)

**I. Non-public Session**

**J. Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM on a motion by Sterling, seconded by Moore (3-0).

Submitted:

Judith A. Zola  
Administrative Assistant

Attest:

Donald MacIsaac  
Chairman