

**TOWN OF JAFFREY**  
**Jaffrey, New Hampshire**  
**Select Board Meeting Minutes**  
**September 10, 2018**

**Chairman:** Franklin W. Sterling, Jr.

**Selectmen:** James Weimann, Bonnie Mitchell

**Town Manager:** Jon Frederick

**Staff:** Judith Zola, Administrative Assistant

**Others:** Nick Hill, David Springfield, David & Thelma Mutala

**A. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance @ 6:00pm**

**B. Non-Public – None**

**C. Appointments –**

1. Nick Hill came before the Board to discuss the fees related to the field use at Humiston Field. Before 2016, there was never a fee to use the field. It was his belief that the field was built by donations and that there should not be fees. He said that he had met with former TM Caron, Interim TM MacLean and Recreation Director Sangermano in the past, but is still unhappy with the situation. Chairman Sterling stated this was a fact-finding mission to get both sides of the story about what had transpired. David Springfield, Athletic Director was also present to state that the High School is willing to help out. The school is not charged for field use. He stated that he feels some organizations have left Jaffrey because of the field fees. Since there was conflicting information about donated field work to offset fees, so it was suggested that Hill forward any emails/written documentation to TM Frederick and he will review that along with Recreation Director's documentation.
2. Present at the meeting were David and Thelma Mutala. They are 5th generation descendants of Amos Fortune, who are in Jaffrey to gather information about Amos. They have family research that goes back to Amos' youth in Africa and they would like to gather information about his life in America in hopes to blend all the research into a documentary. They will be meeting with members of the Jaffrey Historical Society tomorrow at the Library.

**D. Public Hearings –** The Public Hearing was opened by Chairman Sterling at 6:24pm. The purpose of the Hearing was to get public input on making changes to the Town Code to make Contoocook Beach a smoke free workplace during the hours of lifeguards. A letter was read from Katie L'Ecuyer, a lifeguard at Contoocook. She explained that not only is the second-hand smoke a health hazard for her and patrons on the beach, having to move her position to avoid the smoke takes her attention off the water. Patrons approach her often to complain about the smoke, which also takes her attention away from the swimmers. She is an advocate for a non-smoking policy. There was some discussion of banning all smoking products (vaping and chewing tobacco) from the beach. It was decided to get more input from the Town Attorney regarding the ability of the town to change the code and its potential conflict with the state statute.

There was no public input.

Public Hearing was closed by Chairman Sterling at 6:33pm.

Vote was tabled pending attorney Dowd's finding.

#### **E. Approval of Meeting Minutes**

- On a motion by Weimann, seconded by Mitchell, the Public Minutes of 08/27/18 were approved (3-0).
- On a motion by Weimann, seconded by Mitchell, Non-Public Minutes of 08/27/18 were approved and sealed (3-0).

#### **F. Consent Agenda**

1. Payroll and Vendor Manifests
2. Abatements
  - a) #18-46 Gina Cuzzi – 111 Nutting Road - \$ 246.51- Sewer
3. Meetinghouse Request
  - a) #18-13 – Jaffrey Conservation Commission – Educational Program on Bears – 10/16/18 7-9pm
4. Cemetery Deeds
  - a) Ruthanne Bailey – Double Lot – Phillips Heil Cemetery - \$ 700.00
  - b) James & Carol Pittman – Single Lot – Cutter Extension Cemetery - \$ 350.00
5. Zoning Board of Adjustment Appointment
  - a) Andy Webber – Full Member – Term Expires 2021

On a motion by Weimann, seconded by Mitchell, the Consent Agenda was approved (3-0)

#### **G. Old Business - None**

#### **H. New Business**

- Resolution #2018-36- Special Event Application- Scarecrows on the Common – TEAM Jaffrey 10/6/18 – There was discussion regarding when the Scarecrows are removed, it was decided October 20 would be a good date.  
On a motion by Weimann, second by Mitchell, Resolution #2018-36 was approved with the stipulation that Scarecrows are removed by 10/20/18 (3-0).
- Resolution #2018-37 -Authorize to expend an amount not to exceed \$20,502.48 from the Building Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund – Town Office Entry  
On a motion by Weimann, seconded by Mitchell, Resolution #2018-37 was approved (3-0).

## **I. Reports to the Select Board**

- **Selectmen's Reports**

Sterling- HDC met last week. They had 2 requests to replace 1960's vintage windows in the Historic District, both requests were endorsed.

SWRPC- The Transportation Advisory Committee met. With the upcoming application process for the 10-year plan. He suggested straightening the curves up on Route 124 by Grandview. There have been 2 MVA's resulting in fatalities. Sterling suggested staff get started on the application process.

Weimann- No Meetings. Planning Board meets tomorrow.

Mitchell – Asked if attendance at the Primex Organizational Change conference was required...it is not.

### Town Manager's Report

- There is a POW/MIA 24-hour vigil at the American Legion on 9/22-9/23 11am to 11am. BOS was invited to participate.
- Perambulation – The Town of Sharon is fine with the request and only the dates need to be confirmed.
- 202 Roundabout demonstration will be held at Conval on Saturday 9/15/18 at 10:30am.
- There have been 8-9 applications received for the Municipal Clerk Position
- Employees celebrating anniversaries: Caren Lewis-Recreation- 15 years  
Bruce Hanson – DPW – 20 years

The Town Thanks them and appreciates their dedication.

## **J. Other Business –**

- Tax Collector Supplemental Water & Sewer Warrant (September Closing Fees)
  - a) \$100.00
  - b) \$ 40.00

On a motion by Weimann, seconded by Mitchell, Tax Collector Supplemental Water & Sewer Warrant (September Closing Fees) was approved (3-0).

**K. Non-Public** – In Accordance with RSA 91-A:3, II (d)(e) Roll Call Vote to Enter Non-public  
On a Motion by Weimann, seconded by Mitchell, motion to enter non-public, (Sterling – yay, Weimann – yay, Mitchell – yay) at 7:02pm.

On a Motion by Weimann, seconded by Mitchell, motion to exit non-public (3-0) at 7:35pm

## **L. Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 7:36pm on a motion by Weimann, seconded by Mitchell (3-0).

Submitted:

Attest:

Judith A. Zola  
Administrative Assistant

Franklin W. Sterling, Jr.  
Chairman

*The Town of Jaffrey prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, religion, age, disability, marital or family status.*

*The Town of Jaffrey is an equal opportunity employer.*