

**Chichester Board of Selectmen**  
Minutes of Meeting  
Tuesday September 1, 2020

**Members Present in person:** Richard Bouchard, Ed Millette, Jason Weir, and Jodi Pinard Town Administrator, Kristy Willey Administrative Assistant

**Present:** Chief Clarke, Chief Quimby, John Martell, Craig Sykes, Evelyn Pike, Stan Brehm, Kathy Doult, Donna Chagnon, Russell Blaney, Zach Boyjijan and other members of the public.

**Call to Order:** Mr. Bouchard made a motion to reconvene the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

**Department Heads-**

**Police Department-**

Chief Clarke stated that he ordered the radar signs to be installed with the help of Joe Darrah and his excavator. One will be placed on Bear Hill and one on Horse Corner Road.

Chief Clarke stated that Officers are currently maintaining training online due to Covid-19.

Chief Clarke will be on vacation the week of Sept. 7-11, 2020.

**Fire Department-**

Chief Quimby stated that the extractor has been delivered and they are waiting for a quote on plumber to install the equipment.

Forestry grant

Chief Quimby stated that September is vehicle inspection month and he will be working on getting all the Fire Department vehicles taken care of.

Chichester will be assisting in coverage for Goffstown, so they are able to attend services for a fire member.

**Emergency Management-**

Mr. Martell had nothing to report.

**Highway-**

Mr. Sykes stated that he has had his hands full trying to get the shop in order. The truck has been giving him issues with getting it running. The tanks need to be set and repaired.

Mr. Sykes stated that he is not comfortable running the loader in the condition it is currently in. He stated that he has got it running but it many issues with it. The motor is leaking, brakes are bad and rear tire is leaking air. No one will touch tires and rims. Mr. Sykes presented bids for rentals of loaders. \$3750 X 4months minimum or could lease. May make sense to purchase one instead.

Inspections are needed soon on all the equipment.

Mr. Sykes ordered a plasma cutter and tig equipment delivered a spill pallet. He is working on bringing things up to spec.

The well at shed is contaminated and cannot be used. Two different levels of E.coli and other levels are above standards. The well company is not promising anything and will likely need new well drilled.

Mr. Sykes is working on getting tree removal quotes.

The Board had a discussion on pay range for highway employees. The consensus of the Board is starting pay at \$21.50- and 90-day performance review.

Mr. Sykes stated that he would like to hire a diverse crew.

There was a Drainage problem on Mason Road reported by Doug Valley. Mr. Sykes will look at the issue.

#### **Parks and Rec-**

Mark Thomas working on trial and finished sections. Hoping they will be used. Nice addition to park. He would like to be appointed for parks and Rec. Look into membership

Check miscoded electric.

Working with landowner on Lynnfield pond, deed and tax card do not match. He will get us info and

#### **Planning Board-**

Mr. Brehm stated the Planning Board is getting very busy.

Mr. Brehm stated that they will still be meeting via zoom due to large numbers on the Board and applicants.

There was a Technical Review Committee (TRC) meeting yesterday via zoom. The Town engineer and CNHRPC are assisting and it has proven to be a great process. They are looking to annex the lot and put two additional units in. They are close to paving and are building two units now. No Co's will be issued until paved and the fire pond is approved. The Engineer did discuss that that the road is wider than it needs to be, along with the shoulders. They are supposed to build 11 ft lane and 4 ft shoulders, however he said stated its somewhat an overkill. His suggestion is to cut it down to 2, 10ft lanes and 2 ft shoulders. The engineer, Mr. Vignale, is coming to planning board to discuss the reduction.

All departments are staying connected during this process. The Fire Department is running tests on the dry hydrants and fire pond. Developer is thinking of putting a well and irrigation system for lawn. There is no bond for road because it is a private road.

This week's Planning Board meeting includes two subdivisions, on bear hill Road and one on Highland drive. There is also a Site plan for Doggy Darbster on Dover Road.

The Board is continuing to work on the Master Plan with CNHRPC as well as working on zoning updates. The Board is discussing possibly adding another zoning node. The State is designing a new intersection and it should be done now so that it is included in the process.

#### **Library-**

The Library Trustees are back to meeting once a month, although still not in person. They utilize Uberconference.com and advise anyone who would like to participate to contact Tom Downey at [234-8764](tel:234-8764) or e-mail him at [tomdowney11@gmail.com](mailto:tomdowney11@gmail.com). The next meeting will be on September 14, 2020 at 4 p.m.

Librarian Caroline Pynes has been very interactive with the younger set over the summer. She read Gingerbread Girl by Lisa Campbell Ernst and sang two songs. She also read The Knight and the Dragon by Tomie DePaola, and created a puppet show, Baby Dragon meets Princess Dragon, also posting it on Facebook.

The writing contest has finished, but the winners have not been announced, yet.

Used Book Sales are now returning to once a month, after the last two months of having two/month. The next one will be September 12<sup>th</sup>, 8:30 a.m. to noon.

The Library Trustees have written a letter of support for the Chichester Conservation Commission relative to property on or about 169 Main Street.

Bid for flag pole and granite post installation.

#### **Election Coverage-**

Mrs. Pinard wanted to stress the fact that we need help on election day. Mr. Bouchard stated that he will be there all day.

Mrs. Pike stated that the Moderator will need help counting. Mr. Millette stated that he can help count.

Mr. McKinnon stated that people must wear mask to vote in school. There will be an outside station to vote for unmasked people, and another area to accept absentee ballots at school. Extra police coverage was requested.

#### **Other Business-**

Martell road auction on the 9<sup>th</sup> at 10am. Mr. Weir will be there as a Selectmen representative as well as Mrs. Pinard and Ms. Willey.

Mrs. Pinard stated that she has updates regarding the zoning violations.

Mr. Albert is working with TF Moran to do survey and mitigation plan.

Coleman concrete is working on application to ZBA and with an engineer.

Mrs. Pinard will be submitting for the GOPHER grant this week.

Mr. Millette made motion and Mr. Weir seconded to appoint Jodi Pinard and Kristy Willey pro temp to cover the election on September 8, 2020. Roll call vote. Millette, aye. Weir, aye. Bouchard, aye. **Motion passes.**

Mrs. Pinard thanked Mrs. Pike for all her hard work during this covid-19 pandemic and the election process.

**Adjournment:**

Being no further discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Millette and seconded by Mr. Bouchard to adjourn the meeting at 7:55pm. **Motion passes.**

Respectfully submitted

Not approved until signed

Kristy Willey, Administrative Assistant

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Richard Bouchard

Edward Millette

Jason Weir