

## Selectmen Minutes 10/16/2018

### Chichester Board of Selectmen

Minutes of Meeting

Tuesday October 16, 2018

**Members Present:** Tom Jameson, Ed Millette, Jodi Pinard Town Administrator and Kristy Barnouski Administrative Assistant

**Attendees:** Donna Chagnon, Patty Milligan, Bernd Rienhardt, Allen Mayville, Carolee Davison, Lucille Noel and other members of the public.

Mr. Jameson opened the meeting at 6:00pm.

**Non-Public Session 91-A:3 II.~(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.~

A motion was made by Mr. Jameson and seconded by Mr. Millette to enter into non-public. Jameson Aye, Millette Aye. **Motion Passes.**

A motion was made by Mr. Jameson and seconded by Mr. Millette to exit non-public session. Jameson Aye, Millette Aye. **Motion Passes.**

A motion was made by Mr. Millette and seconded by Mr. Jameson to seal the non-public meeting minutes until November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Jameson Aye, Millette Aye. **Motion Passes.**

**Non-Public Session 91-A:3 II.~ (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.~

A motion was made by Mr. Jameson and seconded by Mr. Millette to enter into non-public. Jameson Aye, Millette Aye. **Motion Passes.**

A motion was made by Mr. Jameson and seconded by Mr. Millette to exit non-public session. Jameson Aye, Millette Aye. **Motion Passes.**

A motion was made by Mr. Millette and seconded by Mr. Jameson to seal the non-public meeting minutes indefinitely. Jameson Aye, Millette Aye. **Motion Passes.**

The Charrette Team came to discuss the placement of Mr. Jordan's memorial bench. Mr. Millette stated that he received a phone call from Mrs. Hammond with concerns about the placement of the bench. Mr. Millette wanted to apologize for not involving the committee in the decision earlier. Mr. Rienhardt stated that he thinks that the bench should be placed in Memorial Park and not in the greenspace.

Mrs. Pinard stated she feels strongly that the bench should not go in the memorial park due to snow removal issues /being plowed in and not being maintained.

Ms. Milligan stated that she doesn't think every place needs to be a memorial and it should maintain a restful green place.

Mr. Millette asked if Carpenter Park could be an option, however Parks and Recs would have to be consulted.

Mrs. Pinard will reach out to Mrs. Jordan and discuss placement.

Mr. Rienhardt asked about the TDS box in the greenspace. Mrs. Pinard will reach out to Mr. Colbert to ask about the box and if anything can be done about the eyesore.

Ms. Milligan asked about the plans for Christmas decorations in at the gazebo. Mrs. Pinard stated that there is work being done to get electricity out to the gazebo by Mr. Cole and Mr. Amour and it would be great to hold the Christmas tree lighting at that location. This issue will be

discussed further at a later date.

The stone wall was damaged in an auto accident, and the insurance will not pay for the damage. Mr. Riendhardt asked if the Town would pay to compensate the labor to repair the wall. The Board suggested to use some fundraising efforts to pay for the repair.

There was some discussion on the cross walk. The State will require overhead flashing lights and flashing beacons which will ruin the Main Street character they have been trying to keep. The Board suggested to focus more on localizing or funnel the entrance so people will cross in a better spot since the flashing lights would directly impact with neighbors. There will have to be more discussion on this topic.

**Website-**

Virtual Town Hall has been bought out and the Town will be switching over to a new company.

**Health Insurance-**

Health insurance is going up 12.8%.

**CIP Committee Appointments-**

**Mr. Jameson made a motion and Mr. Millette seconded to appoint the following people to the Capital Improvement Program:**

One year appointment- Matthew Cole and Allen Mayville

Two year appointment- Ann Davis and Michelle Plunkett

Three year appointment- David Nelson and Doug Hall

**Motion passes.**

**Other Business-**

A Letter from a resident, Laurie Nichols was read by Mrs. Pinard in reference to Jeff Jordan. The letter stated that she loved the heartfelt letter placed in the Suncook Valley Sun and she recommended that it be framed and hung in the school.

Allen Mayville stated that he has concerns about the amount of non-publics that have been happening lately. He stated that he feels like he has the right to know about what's going on in Town. The Board stated that they only go into nonpublic when necessary. Mr. Mayville stated that he felt very strongly that he should at least know the topic to which the Mrs. Pinard pointed out that depending which 91:A they go into you can tell if its legal or having to do with an employee and so on. The Board stated that they try to remain as transparent as possible and avoid non-publics when possible.

Ms. Noel stated that she has received the official letter informing us that the conservation plate grant was accepted in the amount of \$900.00. The money will be used to redo the signs that fell off the front of the building during a large wind storm.

Ms. Deachman came to discuss moving file cabinets. The file locks purchased by the Office will not work on the current cabinets. Ms. Deachman suggested to switch out the filing cabinets with two in the conference room since they do lock and there are keys for them. Mrs. Pinard stated this would be taken care of as soon as possible.

Ms. Lucille asked permission to put the candles in Grange Hall windows for the holidays. The Board agreed.

The next meeting will be on October 30, 2018.

**Adjournment:**

Being no further discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Millette and seconded by Mr. Jameson to adjourn the meeting at 8:20pm. **Motion passes.**