

**Town of Cornish
Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
Monday October 3, 2016 6:30 pm**

Present: Scott Baker, Dale Lawrence, John Hammond

1. BOS signed checks, reviewed mail and approved invoices.
2. Jim Liggett came in to discuss the following;
 - a. Abatement for his property on Leavitt Hill.
 - b. Building permit for porch and another piece he has demolished. It would increase by 13 feet. He will be referred to the ZBA.
 - c. Jim would like to purchase the Town owned property (2 acres) located on the south side of Leavitt Hill next to the property he just purchased. He would offer \$1,500. The BOS will discuss the offer and get back to him.
3. Lois Fitts came in to discuss the speed limit on 120. Lois believes it should be 40. BOS will take a look and get Doug's opinion and get back to Lois. Lois would also like a larger map of the roads in Cornish for the new store. Just road names.
4. Bill Wall came in and discussed the speed limit. He also discussed the placement of a stone for Mrs. Johnson by the Garden Club. He also discussed the backfilling of Cornish Stage Road that was paved this summer.
5. Marge Holland came in to discuss driveway permit for their newly purchased property on Harrington Road. Dale asked for copies of the driveway regulation to review. A copy was given to the land owner. The need a 911 number for that lot also (Map 10, Lot 16)
6. Bill Lipfert came in to discuss the "Welcome to Cornish" signs. He would like to see the Town use granite. Bill brought in paperwork with prices for 10"x10"x8' granite posts.
7. Approved minutes of September 9, 12, 16, 19, 23, 26 and 30. John made motions, Scott seconded. All in favor.
8. BOS called Gwyn Gallagher to meet on Harrington Road at 8:00am regarding a driveway permit. Mary will post this meeting.
9. Adjourned at 8:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Dale Lawrence

**Town of Cornish
Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
Monday October 10, 2016 6:30 pm**

Present: Scott Baker, Dale Lawrence, John Hammond

1. Jim Liggett came in to discuss the piece of Town owned property next to the property he recently purchased on Leavitt Hill Road. Jim also brought in a building permit for a small addition and deck to same property Map 18, Lot 27. Due to set backs from both the road and water (brook) the BOS denied the permit and referred him to the ZBA. He is rural zone.
2. The BOS signed an extension for Coldwell Banker to list the town owned properties on Leavitt Hill and Town House Roads.
3. BOS signed checks, reviewed mail and approved invoices.
4. Discussion about a driveway permit on Harrington Road.
5. BOS drafted a letter to a landowner on Harrington Road regarding the procedures for building a home. The letter will be mailed on 10/11/16.
6. Adjourn 8:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Dale Lawrence

**Town of Cornish
Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
Friday October 14, 2016 3:00 pm**

Present: Scott Baker, Dale Lawrence, John Hammond

1. BOS reviewed mail and approved invoices.
2. BOS moved to the Public Hearing upstairs re: Barn Preservation Easements at 3:05pm.
3. BOS returned at 3:55pm to continue with their regular Friday Selectboard Meeting.
4. Tom Spaulding, Cemetery Sexton, came in to discuss the end of the season (April 15 – Oct 15)) cemetery details. Everything is in good order. Tom has hired Andy Peck to do some of the fall clean up at select locations.
5. Wayne Gray, Road Agent, came in to discuss highway matters. The BOS discussed the best method to sell the Sterling highway truck with was replaced with a new truck purchased by vote of the town at Town Meeting. Scott Reed has offered to keep the truck on his lot for a percentage of the purchase price. Motion by Dale, seconded by John to have the Sterling sit on the lot at Reeds in Newport. Voted in the affirmative by the three Selectmen. Wayne also brought up the new sand screen and the need to get it placed on top of the blocks. The safest method would be by excavator. Motion by Scott, seconded by John to hire Kevin McNamara to place the screen. Voted in the affirmative by the three Selectmen.
6. Win Call came in to discuss the Trinity Church being unlocked in order to prevent possible vandalism. He suggested a sign posted for folks to call during normal business hours regarding the possibility of having it unlocked. John stated that it was the wish of the previous owner, Peter

Burling, for all folds to have access to the building at any time. The BOS will consider the request to keep the building locked.

7. Dale excused herself to go vacuum the Trinity Church.

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8. Wayne reported about the new truck progress.
9. Pam Annis came in with General Assistance information.
10. Call to Bill Lipfert was made about granite posts for "Welcome to Cornish" signs and a message was left.

Respectfully submitted,
Scott Baker

**Town of Cornish
Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
Monday October 17, 2016 6:30 pm**

Present: Scott Baker, Dale Lawrence, John Hammond

1. Gary & Kay Wegner came in to discuss their barn preservation easement.
2. BOS signed checks and reviewed mail.
3. Heavy equipment meeting will be on Wednesday. John and Scott may attend. It will be posted at the Town Offices and CES.
4. Call to Reyer Jaarsma made regarding heavy equipment meeting.
5. Adjourned at 8:02pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Dale Lawrence

**Town of Cornish
Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
Friday, October 21, 2016 3:00 pm**

Present: Scott Baker, Dale Lawrence, John Hammond

1. Barbara Cieslicki came in for a building permit. Barbara also asked about dead trees on an abutter's property. She was advised to contact the abutter.
2. Wayne Gray, Road Agent, came in to talk about highway matters. The Sterling is now at Reed's for sale. The sand screen is all set. Wayne will apply a coat of paint to it before winter. Scott talked to Wayne about the shoulders for the newly tarred Town roads.
3. Bill Lipfert called about granite posts.

4. Doug Hackett came in to get Selectboard signatures for the NH Emergency Management Performance Grant. The Town of Cornish Board of Selectmen, in a majority vote, accepted the terms of the Emergency Management performance Grant (EMPG) as presented in the amount of \$7,525.00 for the purchase and installation of an EOC Generator. Furthermore, the Board acknowledges that the total cost of the project will be \$15,050.00, in which the Town will be responsible for a 50% match (\$7,525.00). Motion by John Hammond, seconded by Scott Baker. Vote in the affirmative.
5. Adjourned at 5:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Dale Lawrence

**Town of Cornish
Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
Monday October 24, 2016 6:30 pm**

Present: Scott Baker, Dale Lawrence, John Hammond

1. BOS signed checks and reviewed mail and signed correspondence.
2. Caroline Storrs came in to discuss the work at the Meeting House. They need to have an open house to satisfy LCHP grant money they received. Caroline has taken photographs of the work done.
3. Trustees of Trust Funds came in to discuss the Foss Kimball Fund.
4. BOS discussed an offer that was made on town owned property on Town House Road. The Board cannot act on the offer until Mike Fuerst, Town Attorney, gets back to us regarding a legal issue with the previous land owner.
5. At 7:00pm the BOS went upstairs to meet with the newly formed Historical Building Committee. The BOS met with 3 of the 5 members of the Historical Building Committee. Present were: Heidi Jaarsma, Larry Dingee and Caroline Storrs. Absent were: Richard Thompson and Bill Fitts. The Committee members have been given the task of inspecting several town buildings then creating a timeline maintenance plan for any work to be done. This is an advisory committee to the Board of Selectmen. There was discussion about which building will be included. The Selectmen asked the committee to work on ideas of how to insulate underneath the Town Office Building. The building, built on rubble, needs to keep the temperature under the building the same as the outside temperature. The committee will look at the estimates that Wayne Gray received. The committee will contact the two members that were not present and set a date of all of them to meet at the Town Hall which will be the first building they check for necessary repairs. Heidi will put the file for each building and review the contents to share with the other members. John brought up the fact that the Trinity Church is not locked as a request from Peter Burling, former owner. A resident had come in last week to let the Selectboard know that he would like to see it locked. He is afraid of vandalism. John asked the opinion of all attending this meeting. Larry stated that the building

is not overseen by anyone on a daily basis. There was a unanimous decision to lock the church. John agreed to lock the church on his way home.

6. The BOS left the meeting to attend to other Town business. The committee will keep the Selectmen informed of their findings with each building and create a timeline, similar to the heavy equipment timeline, for these buildings.
7. Adjourned at 8:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Dale Lawrence

**Town of Cornish
Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
Friday October 28, 2016 3:00 pm**

Present: Dale Lawrence, John Hammond
Absent: Scott Baker

1. The Athertons came in for a building permit for a roof over the outside door. Permit #237-16 issued.
2. BOS approved invoices and read mail.
3. Troy Simino came in to say hello.
4. Rebecca Rumrill came in to get a raffle permit signed for the Cornish Fire Association.
5. Frank Sabatano, Leavitt Hill Road, came in to talk about the bridge crossing the brook on his land. We advised him to look at this property file to see if there is anything there. Mr. Sabatano took copies of documents.
6. Mary Boyle and Jody Schubert came in to discuss their property and how it can be divided. They were referred to the Planning Board as we felt it was a subdivision issue.
7. BOS signed the paperwork in regards to the acceptance of the Hazard Mitigation Plan. The Board was appreciative of the UVLSRPC work to assist us in getting this plan updated.
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**Town of Cornish
Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
Monday October 31, 2016 6:30 pm**

Present: Scott Baker, Dale Lawrence, John Hammond

1. BOS signed checks, approved invoices and reviewed mail.
2. Heidi Jaarsma, Town Treasurer, came in to set the tax rate. The tax rate is set for \$21.40 compared to \$22.99. Down 6.92%.
3. John Berry and Reyer Jaarsma came in to discuss alternative routes for snowmobile trails. They are from the Blow-Me-Down Snowmobile Club. They asked about Rescue Squad property and access across that and who to contact. Dale spoke up and offered to run their request by the CRS Trustees as the President of the squad. She will get back to them after they meet.

4. BOS called Sandy Brassor regarding her building permit application. Message left regarding a site visit.
5. Scott discussed the Planning Board's site visit to Millers on 10/28/16.
6. John made a motion, seconded by Dale to pay the settlement amount of \$35,685 (no interest) for the Fairpoint lawsuit. Voted on in the affirmative. Payment will be made in December although a letter agreeing to the terms will be sent to Gary Robarge, Avitar, an agent for all towns attorney Matt Upton.
7. BOS drafter the following letters: 1.) Letter to Avitar re: Fairpoint. 2.) Letter to Darrell Atwater re: his property assessment.
8. John made a motion seconded by Dale to accept the barn easement renewals for Newbold and Wegner. Voted on in the affirmative by all.
9. Adjourned at 8:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Dale Lawrence