

**Town of Cornish
Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
Friday, October 2, 2020 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm**

Present: John Hammond, Scott Baker, Lyle Parry

1. BOS reviewed mail and invoices.
2. Selectmen reviewed the letter from the lawyer about the Sousa property on Jonesville Road. Selectmen accepted the 20-foot road width to accommodate safety vehicles.
3. Skip was in to discuss that all vehicles have been inspected except the Kia and the "09" International. He has located some guard rails for Parsonage Road and will start installation next week. The catch basin at the Town Hall will be worked on Monday and Tuesday.
4. Tom Decato was in to discuss the current use penalty tax for Map 16, Lot 60A. Selectmen agree with Tom that they do not see how the value should be based upon what will be on property for rents or lease payments.
5. Called Troy Simino to discuss some work on the fire pond.

Respectfully submitted,
Lyle Parry

**Town of Cornish
Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
Monday, October 5, 2020 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm**

Present: John Hammond, Scott Baker, Lyle Parry

1. BOS reviewed mail, invoices and signed checks.
2. Stu Hodgeman was in to look at where we may place the kiosk for the covered bridge display.
3. Mark Stetson called about the tower on Decato lot off Burr Road to explain the land use change tax.
4. John Hammond made a motion to approve the minutes for the month of September 4, 11, 14, 18, 21, 25 and 28, 2020.
5. Cara Decato called about Zoning Ordinance on lighting for "business" at the post office. Per the site plan review in 1992 the post office is to have 3 outside lights on the front of the building and the dock to only be on during hours of business.
6. Selectmen called Joe Simino to see if he would work on the digital radar trailer.
7. Mike Boutilier, John Drye and Heidi Jaarsma were in to discuss the air packs. Air packs last 15 years. We discussed all the new features. Cornish Fire Department needs 14 packs to cover the number of seats we have in the trucks. Contract to lease will be needed with an escape clause. Contract to be sent to legal counsel. Selectmen will wait for the FEMA rejection letter before proceeding.
8. Called Chief Hackett to see if he can get his radar trailer to Joe Simino and he said he could deliver in it on 10/6/2020.

9. Returned a call to Cara Decato about the lights at the post office.
10. Called Chuck DeAngelis to let him know that Mike Duval is not vacuuming leaves anymore.

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**Town of Cornish
Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
Friday, October 9, 2020 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm**

Present: John Hammond, Scott Baker, Lyle Parry

1. BOS reviewed mail and invoices.
2. Heidi Jaarsma came in to discuss where we are at with the grants on the air packs. Town has been denied the grant so we will need to purchase them.
3. Dan Flynn was in to discuss the bridge that is going in on Jonesville Road for the Sousa property. He is concerned that they are not going to remove the original box culvert. Selectmen will do a site visit today.
4. Skip came in to discuss roads and the progress made on projects. The new F550 does not seem to be shifting correctly. He is going to send it to Ford. New culvert and catch basin are complete at the Town Hall. Highway Crew put in 230 feet of guard rail on Parsonage Road.
5. Chuck DeAngelis came in to discuss how fall clean up is going with the Cemetery Crew. October 15th they should be done for the year. Discussed the need for a new leaf blower for next year and they will need a new string trimmer. Chuck had a great idea to laminate the cemetery guidelines and post at each cemetery in the spring. Also discussed the need to increase the budget for tree maintenance and removal. Selectmen will encourage the Committee to get a plan in place this fall.
6. Called Tom Decato about the cell tower.
7. Called Cara Decato about the lights at the Post Office.

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**Town of Cornish
Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
Monday, October 12, 2020 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm**

Present: John Hammond, Scott Baker, Lyle Parry

1. BOS reviewed mail, invoices and signed checks.
2. Cemetery Committee will meet on Wednesday October 14th at 4:30.
3. Tom Decato called to discuss the value of the land the tower will be on. He is not happy that the land was taken out of current use at such a high value. The reason for the high

assessment is related to the fact that there is a lease agreement in place that has an income attached to it. Tom was encouraged to file an abatement.

4. Joel Kinne came in to see about a building permit on Creamery Road.
5. Issued a building permit to Steve and Corinne Kelliher on Mistler Drive.
6. Jason Thornton's building permit was denied due to no septage plan.
7. Selectmen called Gwyn Gallagher to talk about elections.
8. Skip called in to discuss getting the equipment out to bid. Crew is working on getting the sand screen up to decent working standards.

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**Town of Cornish
Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
Friday, October 16, 2020 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm**

Present: John Hammond, Scott Baker, Lyle Parry

1. BOS reviewed mail and invoices.
2. Skip Erskine was in to report that the sand screen is repaired and winter sand is being delivered. The 2009 truck is at Ron's Fix-it and is being repaired. The school exit road is ditched and rip-rap has been laid down. Equipment that will be out for bid is by the public sand pile. All vehicles will be oil undercoated next week.
3. Selectmen discussed the use of operations at 971 NH Rte 120 if the property was sold. We also sent our Zoning Ordinance along with a letter of intended use to an interested party.
4. Called Jo Gardner about the use of the CREA property soccer field.
5. Selectmen called Mike Monette to make sure the gate at Recycling Center is locked when not open. Asked him to make sure he calls as deliveries go out to give a heads up to the recycle places.
6. The internet is all set at the Town Hall for voting.
7. Selectmen left to do site visits.

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**Town of Cornish
Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
Monday, October 19, 2020 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm**

Present: John Hammond, Scott Baker, Lyle Parry

1. BOS reviewed mail, invoices and signed checks.
2. Everett Cass came in to talk about Jonesville Road. He should be starting the upgrade on Friday.

3. Skip in to discuss the sign to be installed by the covered bridge. Skip was asked to look at the guard rails at the pull-off while he is there.
4. Ryan Darling called to see if the Selectmen would waive the \$94.17 interest due to miscommunication and the mailing address on the tax card was not changed prior to the taxes being due. He will be in to discuss when all the Board members are present.
5. Heidi Jaarsma called to let us know that we could apply for a Cares Act Grant to reimburse the town for absentee ballots at \$11.52 each. John Hammond made a motion to authorize Heidi Jaarsma to sign on behalf of the town to apply for the grant. Lyle seconded the motion. All in favor.
6. Selectmen called Gwyn Gallagher to communicate where we are and what we may need for the upcoming election.
7. Question about the usage of 967 NH Rte 120 were sent off to LGC. We have not heard back as of yet.

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**Town of Cornish
Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
Friday, October 23, 2020 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm**

Present: John Hammond, Scott Baker, Lyle Parry

1. BOS reviewed mail and invoices.
2. Jack Williams came in to talk about a shared driveway that was in a temporary use situation and now he would like to terminate the use by the neighbor.
3. Skip Erskine in to communicate the dredging of the fire pond and progress of sand delivery.
4. Tim Schad called to discuss best solutions for recyclables. We are getting to much box board and card board in with the white paper loads. We need to do a better job about not contaminating the loads. As of now, the card board must go to Casella until we can straighten out the sorting. Card board was a perfect load to Lebanon.
5. Doug Hackett called to talk about a new contract for the office printers. Doug needs permission to sign on behalf of the Town for a DocuSign. Lyle Parry made the motion, Scott Baker seconded, voted all in favor of giving Chief Hackett the authority to sign the contract.
6. Selectboard called Nick Tampasis about his inquiry on the town owned land abutting him.
7. Called Jarod Fillion in response about property on Route 120 for a change of use. Selectboard suggested he set up a hearing with the ZBA.

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**Town of Cornish
Selectmen's Meeting Minutes**

Monday, October 26, 2020 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm

Present: John Hammond, Scott Baker, Lyle Parry

1. BOS reviewed mail, invoices and signed checks.
2. The Selectmen had made a decision to allow Lightning Soccer Club usage of the soccer field. After seeing a large number of out of state participants, we decided to deny any further activity at this field for the remainder of the fall.
3. Gwyn Gallagher came in to discuss the upcoming election. Masks will be required to enter the Town Hall for voting. Anyone who does not want to wear a mask will still be able to vote at the polls by asking for the Moderator at the entrance of the polls.
4. Skip Erskine was in. He will put out signage prior to voting. The "09" truck will be back before Friday.
5. Called Marie DeRusha to discuss plowing a driveway for a resident that needs assistance. Gallagher Tree Service will plow.
6. Ryan Darling came in to talk about taxes on 18 Nelson Road. Ryan has asked for another copy of his tax bill and has yet to see a copy. There was some lack of communication with the Registry of Deeds. There are some discrepancies in the home square footage between actual footage and Avitar footage. Difference of 96 square feet which is suspected to be the difference in the open vaulted ceiling. This will have to go back to Avitar for revaluation. Selectmen will have Avitar contact the homeowner to set up a site visit.
7. Dale Lawrence called to discuss the 911 address on Ledgewood Drive. As the deed reads, it is a legal right of way for lots 1, 2 and 3. Any further dispute would be between landowners. As far as the Selectmen are concerned, the 911 address stands.
8. Called Jack Williams to give him the information we had on the lots. Selectmen told him if he had further issues with his property lines it would be up to him to pursue with legal on his own.

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**Town of Cornish
Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
Friday, October 30, 2020 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm**

Present: John Hammond, Scott Baker, Lyle Parry

1. BOS reviewed mail and invoices.
2. Selectmen reviewed equipment bids received to date.
3. Heidi Jaarsma came in to discuss set the tax rate for 2020. John Hammond made a motion to lower tax rate from \$4.04 to \$3.94 by using \$25,000 from fund balance. Scott Baker seconded and it was a vote in the affirmative.

4. Skip was in to get us up to speed. The dump truck should be back Monday.
5. Selectmen went to the covered bridge for the dedication of the Lafayette Trail Marker.
6. Called the LGC about land owned by the town. BOS is reviewing town deeded land.

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