

**MINUTES
SELECT BOARD
TOWN OF PETERBOROUGH**

Tuesday, May 2, 2017 – 5:00pm
1 Grove Street, Peterborough, New Hampshire

Present: Ed Juengst, Tyler Ward, Barbara Miller

Also Present: Rodney Bartlett, Nicole MacStay, Vanessa Amsbury-Bonilla, Beth Marsh, Chief Walker, Brenda Fox-Howard, George Sterling, Sean Ryan, Susy Mansfield

Chair Juengst called the meeting to order at 5:00pm.

Brenda Fox-Howard and Beth Marsh – Request to Change Tax Collector’s Thursday Evening Hours

Ms. Fox-Howard explained that after reviewing the number of patrons using the Thursday evening hours, she is requesting to change the hours to the regular office hours, Monday through Friday 8:00 to 4:30 pm. In six months, only two times have residents come in during their extended hours.

Motion: Ms. Miller made a motion to change the Tax collector’s evening hours so that it coincides with the regular town hall hours.

Vote: Mr. Ward seconded. All in favor.

Susy Mansfield, Recycling Center Advisory Committee – Proposed Establishment of “Green Star” Award

Ms. Mansfield states that after doing a survey of local businesses that use plastic bags vs. paper bags, establishing criteria, such as source reduction, composting, and other environmental practices, a Star Program for business is being considered. This program for businesses could earn a star for each green practice that they incorporate in their operations as well as volunteer work. Maryanne Carson, who has been cleaning up Windy Row for twenty years, is a consideration for receiving a Green Star award, and recognize how she has volunteered over the years for the town. Mr. Juengst stated that he supports having a program that would encourage more people to adopt environmental practices. Ms. Mansfield’s request is to find a way to celebrate the environmental practices of town businesses and recognize Ms. Carson.

Motion: Mr. Ward made a motion to support the Recycling Center Advisory Committee’s efforts in establishing a Green Star Award.

Vote: Mr. Juengst seconded. All in favor.

George Sterling, EDA and Chamber of Commerce – Request to Waive Town Purchasing Policy to Support Chamber of Commerce Scenic Byways Project

Mr. Sterling explained the Scenic Byways Project, developing a ‘map’ that would include points of interest, art, culture and entertainment. Scenic and Cultural Byways program includes 22 designated byways in NH. There are none in the Monadnock Region. During the Main Street bridge replacement, the downtown area will be bypassed. The proposed route will begin and end at the junction of Grove St and Main Street, focusing on the Contoocook River and Valley, providing additional exposure for local businesses. They expect to use technology and social media, printed information, including a dedicated website and Facebook page. The process and management will continue after it has been established. Each of the current NH Scenic and Cultural byways are managed locally by a small group of organizations. The budgeted amount is \$8383 for the first year, the following year \$2610, which would be paid for by the Chamber. The Chamber expects to be able to process all the required paperwork, with an initial investment of \$6000. Ms. Miller asked about the financial need at this time, and the approval process. Mr. Ryan explained that there is no need for financial requests at this time, but if it gets approved, then there would be a request for funding. Ms. Miller mentioned that recently while at the airport, she asked about information about the Monadnock Region and they could only supply a map of NH, nothing specific to the area.

Motion: Mr. Ward made a motion to approve the \$6000 portion for the Scenic Byways Project with the recommendation of the EDA, after the application has been approved.

Vote: Ms. Miller seconded. Mr. Juengst abstained due to his involvement with the Chamber of Commerce.

Board and Committee Appointments

Motion: Mr. Ward made a motion to approve Eric Gagne, Cathy Lanigan, and Sarah Steinberg Heller to the Master Plan Steering Committee.

Vote: Ms. Miller seconded. All in favor.

Motion: Ms. Miller made a motion to approve David Smith to the Economic Development.

Vote: Mr. Ward seconded. All in favor.

Review and Approval of the Minutes of March 16, March 21, and April 18 2017.

Motion: Mr. Ward made a motion to approve all minutes as written.

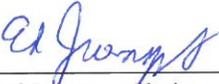
Vote: Ms. Miller seconded. All in favor.

Motion: Mr. Juengst made a motion to enter into Non Public Session per Per RSA 91-A:3 II (a) and (c) (Personnel and Public Reputation) at 5:44 pm.

Vote: Mr. Ward seconded. All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,
Vanessa Amsbury-Bonilla, Department Assistant

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Ed Juengst, Chair



Barbara Miller



Tyler Ward