

Campton Board of Selectmen

Meeting Minutes

Monday, March 20, 2023

Board Attendees: Chair Sharon Davis, Selectman Craig Engel, Selectman Dan Boynton and Selectman Mort Donahue. Selectman Nik Coates was absent from this meeting.

Public Attendees: Jim Butler, Sherrill Howard, Richard Osborne, Stephanie Osborne, Jake Tuck, Janet Lucas, Ryan Erazo, Kevin M Coburn, William Dauer, Nancy Mardin, Floyd Wilkie, John Timson Jr., Town Administrator Corey Davenport, Minutes Recorder Natasha Egger, and Jonathan Picard

On Zoom: Eric Grenier from HEB Engineers and Ron Farnsworth, Road Agent

Call to Order: Chair Davis opened the meeting at 4:30 pm.

Selectman Work Session

2023 Select Board Officer Appointment: Selectman Engel motioned to reappoint Sharon Davis as the Chair of the Board, and Selectman Donahue seconded that motion. The Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion. Chair Davis motioned to appoint Selectman Craig Engel as the Vice-Chair and Selectman Donahue seconded that motion. The Board voted all in favor.

The following Select Board assignments were discussed:

Conservation Commission Selectman Dan Boynton and Selectman Nik Coates
Planning Board

HR Committee Chair Sharon Davis and Selectman Craig Engel

CIP Committee Selectman Mort Donahue

Campus Design Committee Selectman Craig Engel and Selectman Mort Donahue

Parks & Recreation Committee Selectman Dan Boynton and Chair Sharon Davis

Tax Assurance Officer Chair Sharon Davis

Fire Department Study Committee Chair Sharon Davis

Roads Committee: Selectman Craig Engel and Selectman Dan Boynton

Intergovernmental Agreement Committee: This was tabled

Appointments for Committees

The Board had several appointments and volunteers for the various committees in town.

Climate Advisory Committee: The current members of the committee whose term is up were Gale Johnk (alternate), Stephanie Osborne (member), and Susan Skinner (member). Susan Skinner had sent a letter saying she was resigning due to a busy schedule. Stephanie Osborne was present to ask the Board for reappointment to the Climate Advisory Committee as a member. The Board now has one vacant alternate position and one vacant member position for this committee. Selectman Engel motioned to appoint Stephanie Osborn as a member of the Climate Advisory Committee, and Selectman Boynton seconded that motion. The Board voted unanimously in favor.

Conservation Commission: The current members of the commission whose terms are up were Shannon Garnsey (member), Jim Butler (member), Richard Osborne (member), and Glen Rummler (alternate). Shannon Garnsey and Jim Butler expressed interest in staying on the commission as members. Richard Osborne attended the meeting and declined to stay on the commission. Finally, the Board did not receive any correspondence from Glen Rummler. Janet Lucas was present and expressed interest in taking Richard Osborne's seat. Selectman Donahue motioned to appoint Shannon Garnsey, Jim Butler, and Janet Lucas as full-time members. Selectman Boynton seconded that motion. The Board voted unanimously in favor.

Emergency Management: The Board reappointed Karl Kelly as Emergency Management Director (EMD), and Ron Farnsworth as Deputy EMD. Selectman Boynton motioned to make those appointments, and Selectman Engel seconded that motion. The Board voted unanimously in favor.

Planning Board: The current members of the Planning Board whose term is up were Floyd Wilkie (member) and Jake Tuck (Alternate). Floyd Wilkie and Jake Tuck were present and expressed interest in remaining on the Planning Board. Selectman Boynton mentioned changing the term from a three-year term to a two-year term for Floyd to stagger the terms. Selectman Donahue motioned to appoint Floyd Wilkie as a member for a two-year term and to appoint Jake Tuck as an alternate for a three-year term. Selectman Boynton seconded that motion. The Board voted unanimously in favor.

Treasurer: The Board voted to reappoint Nancy Mardin as Treasurer and Anna Hanrahan as Deputy Treasurer. Anna had sent an email expressing her interest in remaining as the Deputy Treasurer. Nancy Mardin was present at the meeting and expressed her interest in remaining as the Town Treasurer. Selectman Boynton motioned to appoint Nancy Mardin as Town Treasurer and Anna Hanrahan as Deputy Treasurer for three-year terms. Selectman Donahue seconded that motion. The Board voted unanimously in favor.

Zoning Board of Adjustment: Paula Kelly is the current member of the Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA), whose term is up. There was no correspondence from Paula Kelly. Janet Lucas was present and is currently an alternate on the ZBA. Janet expressed interest in being appointed to the open member position. Margaret Sweeney came to the Board and requested to be appointed to the Planning or Zoning Boards. Selectman Boynton made a motion to appoint Janet Lucas to the member position on the ZBA and Margaret Sweeney as an alternate for the ZBA, and Selectman Engel seconded that motion. The Board voted unanimously in favor.

Select Board Yearly Goals

The Board expressed interest in having a goals discussion so that the Board knows what to focus on in the coming year. The Board agreed that the main priority was the roads. The second topic to focus on was Beebe River. The third item that the Board agreed on was the Charrette. Finally, the Board's fourth priority was completing the Dear Run catwalk. The Board also discussed the IT upgrades that Corey indicated are already in the works. The Board mentioned that they would like to look into redesigning the website. Selectman Boynton felt that could be a job for a graphic design intern. Selectman Boynton also expressed the need for internet upgrades. The Town already has the fiber and needs to run it to the

Fire Department. The IT company can then hook it up. Selectman Donahue said that because the conduit was already in, he would be willing to pull the fiber through.h.

Road Discussion

Eric from HEB Engineering and Ryan Erazo from the Highway Department were present to talk to the Board about different strategies for the funds approved at the Town Meeting. Corey had included the Paving RFP that the Road Agent, Ron Farnsworth, had discussed and put together with Corey. Corey explained to the Board that two roads that are scheduled to be paved this upcoming summer are Puckerbrush Road and Town Pound Road. He explained that the RFP is ready to go and needs approval. Selectman Boynton motioned to approve the RFP to be published, and Selectman Donahue seconded that motion. The Board voted unanimously in favor.

Jim Butter asked Ryan from the Highway Department about Mason Road. He mentioned that it is riddled with potholes and asked if the Highway Department plans on grading it any time soon. Ryan explained that they have to wait until all the frost is gone before they can grade. If he grades now, the frost will be mixed into the road, and when it thaws, it will become a muddy mess. Jim thanked Ryan for answering his question.

Stephanie Osborne mentioned to the Board that she has been noticing many trucks over the road limit of 6 tons on Lower Beech. The Board asked the Highway Department to possibly do bigger signs or more signs in different locations so that people know. The Board also advised Stephanie and the public to report any trucks that ignore or abuse the weight limits on all dirt roads around town to the Police Department.

Consent Agenda

The Board reviewed the consent agenda for the public and non-public minutes for March 06, 2023. Selectman Engel motioned to accept the consent agenda, and Selectman Boynton seconded that motion. The Board voted unanimously in favor.

Public Session

Pemi-Baker TV: Jonathan Picard from Pemi-Baker TV is attempting to record and broadcast more material outside Plymouth. Mr. Picard offered the Town to record their meetings for a fee and play it on their TV channel. The Board indicated that they already used Zoom to host the meetings. Mr. Picard informed the Board that membership at Pemi-Baker TV would allow them to store their Zoom meetings on their Youtube channel and any other notices on their digital bulletin board. Chair Davis explained that the Town just finished its budget for the year and the services he proposed were not in the budget. She further explained that more than half of the Town does not have Spectrum cable, and many areas are underserved with the internet. Chair Davis recommended declining dethe offer that Jonathan Picard was presenting and thanked him for coming in.

Public Hearing

Public Hearing for Unanticipated Revenue: Selectman Boynton motioned to open the Public Hearing at 6:30 pm, and Selectman Engel seconded the motion. The Board voted unanimously in favor.

Two units at the Red Sleigh Properties were sold at a tax auction in 2021. The Town received checks from the court for \$31,500.00 and \$49,500.00. The Town will retain \$15,479.81 from the \$31,500 check, and the Town will retain \$20,975.00 from the \$ 49,500 check. The Home Owners Association will receive the remaining \$44,272.19.00. There were no questions from the audience. Selectman Boynton motioned to close the public hearing, seconded by Selectman Engel. The Board voted unanimously in favor.

Selectman Boynton motioned to accept the unanticipated revenue, and Selectman Engel seconded that motion. The Board voted unanimously in favor.

Privilege of the Floor

There was none

Board Concerns, Updates & Directives

Selectman Engel: Craig brought up that the Planning Board members want to participate in discussions of items such as the roads and charette. Craig suggested that the Board meet with the committees a few times a year. The Board felt that more communication among the committees would be good. Craig also mentioned that many residents do not know that the Town has a website. He asked about possibly getting information out there for the residents. Chair Davis recommended the newspaper Record Enterprise where the Town can post for free under the "Campton News."

Selectman Engel thought that the Board had a few road issues to work out in regard to the money passed from the Town Meeting. The Board agreed to schedule a work session for Monday, March 27, 2023, at 6:00 pm.

Selectmen Boynton motioned to go into non-public in accordance with RSA 91-A:3, II (L) at 6:32 pm, and Selectman Donahue seconded that motion. Roll Count was as follows: Chair Davis, Aye, Selectman Donahue, Aye, Selectman Engel, Aye, Dan Boynton.

The Select Board came out of a non-public session at 6:39 pm.

Selectman Boynton motioned to go into RSA 91-A:3, II (C) at 6:40 pm, and Selectman Engel seconded that motion. Selectman Engel motioned to end the non-public meeting at 7:18 pm, and Selectman Boynton seconded that motion.

The Board came out of a non-public session at 7:18 pm.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:18 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Natasha Egger

Minutes Recorder