

SUNAPEE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
6:30PM Town Meeting Room
Tuesday, December 26, 2017

Present: Suzanne Gottling, Vice Chairman, John Augustine, Shane Hastings,
and Donna Nashawaty, Town Manager.

Absent: Chairman Josh Trow and Fred Gallup

REVIEW OF ITEMS FOR SIGNATURE:

MOTION TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING CZC'S:

Parcel ID: 0235-0036-0000 21 Ridge Road, Lamb/Reuman

By Selectman Hastings, seconded by Selectman Augustine. Unanimous.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING SIGN PERMIT:

Parcel ID: 0133-0119-0000 4 Maple Street, Fairpoint

By Selectman Hastings, seconded by Selectman Augustine. Unanimous

APPOINTMENTS

7:15PM-Fire Engineers-Fire Department Restructuring Warrant Article

Donna Nashawaty asked Chief Ruggles if the Fire Engineers had reviewed the warrant article, that had been edited by the Town Attorney. Chief Ruggles replied that the Engineers did review, and all agreed that this would be the warrant article presented to the Board of Selectmen. The following is the edited warrant article;

To see if the Town will vote pursuant to RSA 154:1 to change the organization of the Sunapee Fire Department so that there is a board of three (3) Firewards which is responsible for the policies and oversight of the Fire Department. The Firewards shall be appointed by the Board of Selectmen. The Firewards shall appoint the Fire Chief, who is responsible for the organizational and administrative operations of the Department, to include appointment of Fire Fighters and other Fire Department employees. The change would commence on March 13, 2019. For the first term only, one member shall be appointed for and shall have a term of one (1) year; one member shall be appointed for and shall have a term of two (2) consecutive years; and one member shall be appointed for and shall have a term of three (3) consecutive years. Thereafter, each member shall be appointed by the local governing body and shall have a term of three (3) consecutive years. The Fire Chief may not serve as a Fireward.

Selectman Augustine suggested that in the article it should say Firewards, formally know as Fire Engineers. **After some discussion, a motion was made by Selectman Hastings to adopt the language of this warrant article and add it to the list where it was originally, seconded by Selectman Augustine. Unanimous.**

SELECTMEN ACTION

•Conservation Commission Two Year Appointments-Robert Mastin and Clifford Fields
Motion to appoint Robert Mastin and Clifford Field for a two (2) year term, expiring on December 2019, to the Conservation Commission by Selectman Hastings, seconded by Selectman Augustine. Unanimous.

•Conservation Commission Three Year Appointments-Van Webb and Tim Fleury
Motion to reappoint Van Webb and Tim Fleury for a three (3) year term, expiring on December 2020, to the Conservation Commission by Selectman Hastings, seconded by Selectman Augustine. Unanimous.

•Possible Highway Line Item Transfer

Scott Hazelton would like authorization from the Board to move \$27, 500 from the Transfer Station budget to the Highway Department budget. There have been a few things in the last month, which Scott Hazelton detailed, that might cause his Highway Department to be over budget. Selectman Augustine asked if Scott Hazelton had extra in the Transfer Station budget. Scott Hazelton replied yes. **After some discussion, on how to show the transfer on the monthly report a motion was made by Selectman Hastings to approve the transfer of \$27,500 from the Transfer Station budget to the Highway Department budget, which was seconded by Selectman Augustine. Unanimous.**

•Possible Water & Sewer Warrant Article

Donna Nashawaty stated that after the last Board of Selectmen's (BOS) meeting David Bailey, Water & Sewer Superintendent and Holly Leonard, Water & Sewer Office Manager came to her with the following possible 2018 Asset Management Warrant Article;

Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$40,000 to establish an Asset Management Plan for the Sunapee Water Department; and to authorize the withdrawal of up to \$40,000 from existing Water Department fund balance and authorizing the use of \$20,000 of available grant monies to defray the total cost of said plan? This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the work is completed or December 31, 2023, whichever occurs first.

The Water & Sewer Commissioners will meet and vote to submit the article on Thursday, December 28th. The article will be added to the bottom of the list as article #22. Donna Nashawaty would like the Board to conditionally approve the article tonight. **Selectman Hastings made a motion to add the 2018 Asset Management Article from the Water & Sewer Department to the list at the bottom as #22, seconded by Selectman Augustine. Unanimous.**

TOWN MANAGER REPORTS

•Net Metering Agreement

Donna Nashawaty summarized the Net Metering Agreement. After signing the agreement with Standard Power and as soon as the Public Utility Commission accepts it, any power you generate starts making 7.5 cents per kilowatt hour. There is a rate at Eversource called the default rate, which runs about 11 cents per kilowatt hour. For every kilowatt hour of power, the Town generates, Eversource will paid 11 cents per kilowatt hour back to the Town. The Town would pay Standard Power all the money received from Eversource, minus the 7.5. cents per kilowatt hour. At the end of the one-year agreement, Standard Power settles up with the Town, who receive a small check. Donna Nashawaty spoke with another hydro plant, who has dealing with Standard Power for a couple of year, without any problems. Donna Nashawaty's recommendation to the Board is to go ahead and enter this agreement. **After some discussion, a motion was made that if the agreement comes back from the Town Attorney with no caveats, the Board authorizes the Town manager to sign the agreement by Selectman Hastings, seconded by Selectman Augustine. Unanimous.**

- Town Report Cover & Dedication

Donna Nashawaty will send the Board a list of residents who have passed away in 2017 for some ideas on the dedication. The Sestercentennial Committee asked Donna Nashawaty if the Town could do something on the cover of the 2017 Town Report promoting Sunapee's 250th Celebration in 2018. After some discussion, the Board will use the 250th Logo for the cover and discuss the dedications at their next meeting.

- Town Office Carpeting

Donna Nashawaty wanted to inform the Board that the carpeting at the Town Office will be replaced this year. The carpeting was ordered from LaValley's, who will also be installing over the course of a couple of months.

- Meetings

Donna Nashawaty will over some of the meeting changes that could occur in January and February. The Board will meet on Tuesday, January 9th, which is also the Budget Public Hearing Monday, January 29th, which is the last day to post the budget and warrant and Tuesday, February 6th, which is the Town Deliberative Session at the Sunapee Middle High School gym. Donna Nashawaty will review the rest of the BOS meetings dates and bring back to the Board any recommended changes.

Meeting adjourned at 8:04PM

Respectfully Submitted by,
Barbara Vaughn
Administrative Assistant