

**MEETING MINUTES**  
Town of Heath  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
Sawyer Hall  
August 12, 2014

**Called to order** at 7:00 p.m. by Sheila Litchfield with Bill Lattrell, Brian DeVriese and Kara Leistyna, Town Coordinator present. Also present: Steve Thane, Acting Highway Supt.

**Reviewed Agenda:** Added to Appointments: Steve Thane, 7:00 p.m.

**Highway Report:** Steve offered an update on various issues. Paving is tentatively scheduled on Number Nine Road for August 18<sup>th</sup>. Equipment will be moved via Rowe to the site on the 16<sup>th</sup>. Steve will confirm. 144 tons of paving was done this week. All shimming was completed on Number Nine Rd. and areas were patched. A temporary, part-time worker was hired to help with the paving. Discussed use of equipment at the fair. *On a motion by Brian DeVriese, and seconded by Bill Lattrell, the Board voted unanimously to authorize the use of highway dept. vehicles for the Heath Fair week-end.* Hosmer Road has been mowed and graded and progress is being made on the remainder of mowing. The Clean Sweep went well. Tire pick up will be next week. Emergency Certification will expire soon on the few projects that needed immediate attention. Steve will be sure those projects are completed. Avery Brook Rd. is done except for some stone in ditch; culvert repair made a big difference. The new vehicles are working well. Steve acknowledged Jason Lively's excellent work and positive attitude.

**7:23 p.m. Steve Thane left meeting.**

**Reviewed Minutes:** *On a motion by Brian DeVriese, and seconded by Bill Lattrell, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of 7/15/14 Select Board meeting as amended.*

**Town Coordinator Report**

1. Discussed securing properties owned by the Town. FCCIP does not secure properties. Normally, it would be the Board of Health since they are the body that can condemn a property. Board of Health may need to budget for future situations that arise.
2. Discussed additional boxes at the Transfer Station (Salvation Army and pellet bag recycling bin). Placement shall be delayed until the compactor project has been at least laid out if not completed (hopefully by November). Bill will be meeting with Jan Ameen from Solid Waste District on 8/14. Bill will ask Jan about battery plan as well as possible use of old compactor for cardboard.
3. Colrain has asked that Heath sign a support letter that they may include in their STRAP Grant application. Heath is happy to support their efforts and will ask the same from them.
4. Bill Lattrell will not be here for the 8/26 meeting.

**Mail/ Email:**

1. Mail from Jan Ameen regarding Waste Management disbursement
2. Complaint from a citizen regarding noise. Kara will follow up.
3. Notice from Hilma regarding ATM bylaws and AG response. Kara will follow up with Hilma.
4. Various emails with Mike Smith
5. FCCIP monthly reports
6. Email from Bill Lattrell regarding ambulance/EMT and copy of Downing Bill. Kara will ask others' opinions on the bill. May help with the problem of EMT shortage.
7. Interest letter from Mike Freeman who wishes to serve on the Board of Health. The Board will consider this appoint but would like to hear from the Board of Health. Kara will invite the Board to the next scheduled meeting.
8. MIIA Loss Control Grants due March 31, 2015.

9. Nurse Monthly report
10. Email from Crocker regarding reduction in monthly fee. Heath didn't make it on FRCOG's bid but requested the lower monthly cost. They will honor that.
11. Email reporting North Cemetery update
12. Email sent to Zack Blake requesting revisions to DOR Review of Assessing and Tax Collector Processes
13. Appointment declinations. Opening on Zoning Board of Appeals and Alternate Rep. to the FC Kennel Program

Other Separate Documents:

HCOG Municipal Aggregation documents – 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> set of responses to D.P.U. The Select Board wishes to stay apprised of the application but at this time chooses to opt out from application process for residential customers. Many questions remain unanswered.

**Signed:**

Colrain request for STRAP Grant support

FCSWMD MOU for Home Hazardous Waste Collection

Vacation Request

ECN Renewal Agreement Endorsement (Code Red) On a motion by Brain DeVriese, and seconded by Bill Lattrell, the Board voted unanimously to extend the CodeRed agreement for three years. Board of Health will be asked to sign as well.

2015 Tax Map Maintenance Proposal for Town of Heath (ongoing program)

Resignation Acceptance letter

***On a motion by Bill Lattrell and seconded by Sheila Litchfield, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn at 8:40 p.m.***

Next meeting scheduled for August 26, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kara Leistyna, Town Coordinator