

## Selectmen's Meeting Minutes April 22, 2019

**7:00 pm** Meeting called to order by Chairman Jack Esposito. Also in attendance were Selectmen Kim Roberge and Tim Berry.

Esposito called to order the Public Hearing to discuss Vegetation Management by Eversource on Brook Road.

He explained that there are 8 or 9 trees marked for removal over the length of Brook Road.

Crystal, an employee of ACRT, an Eversource representative, explained that our roads are on a 4-year cycle for vegetation management.

Esposito said that our last problem was at the intersection of Rangeway and Purgatory Roads. A transformer split in two, leaking hazardous material onto the ground. It had to be treated as a toxic spill.

Nancy Tichanuk of 4 Rangeway reminded everyone of the large healthy-looking tree that came down at her house last August in a windstorm.

Esposito closed the Public Hearing on Brook Rd Vegetation Management.

- Board reviewed minutes of April 1, 2019. Roberge motioned, seconded by Berry to accept the minutes of April 1, 2019 as amended. All in favor.
- Board reviewed the minutes of April 15, 2019. Roberge motioned, seconded by Berry to accept the minutes of April 15, 2019 as written. All in favor.

Esposito let the Board know that Perry Cloutier passed away Thursday evening, and the memorial will be Friday night from 5 – 8 at Smith and Heald in Milford. Perry had been with us for 12 years, and will be sorely missed both professionally and personally.

**7:15 pm** Esposito called to order the Public Hearing to discuss implementing a 4-way stop at the junction of Purgatory Road, Wilton Road and Old Wilton Road due to the 13 new house lots on the upper half of Purgatory Rd. He stated that the Police Chief and the DPW Director are both in favor of it.

Bill McKinney, of the Planning Board, said that a stop sign should never be erected unless you are conducting a traffic study. There have only been 2 accidents there in the past 5 years – not enough to warrant a 4-way stop. The Planning Board studied this and determined that it isn't warranted. The few people in the audience spoke against it also.

Roberge said that the Chief feels that people stopped at Purgatory Road think that they all have a stop.

Berry said that there is something to be said about trucks and DPW vehicles not having enough momentum to get up the hill and might get stuck in the intersection.

The Board will again discuss it with the Chief and make a decision accordingly.

Esposito closed the Public Hearing on the 4-way stop.

**7:30 pm** Esposito called to order the Public Hearing to discuss creating a "No Parking" zone on Harwood Road between the Cemetery Road stop sign and the tree line. This came to us as a request from the SAU. There was a short discussion and a request to make it "NO Parking" just while the busses are active.

Esposito closed the Public Hearing on the "No Parking" zone on Harwood at the school.

**7:45 pm** Joanne Draghetti of the Conservation Commission came before the Board to advise them that the Trustees of Trust Funds have agreed to allow the Conservation Commission \$6000 from one of their Trust Funds for the Carleton Pond and Surrounding Park project.

They have 2 years to use the \$6000. Because this is not money from a warrant article, the invoices will go directly to the Trustees.

There was some discussion over what will be done first. Jay Wilson will get back to the Board with a timeline.

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Roberge asked the Board to set up a "Work Session" to go over the Architects report in detail in order to formulate our plan to give to the committee.

Berry thought we should meet with the committee first.

Esposito said that the three of us should sit down and decide what our priorities are, and relay that to the committee.

Roberge wanted to ask Brown to check with legal regarding traffic studies and stop signs in light of McKinney's comments.

Esposito agreed that he didn't want any legal ramifications because of it. He also wants to speak to Chief Furlong about it.

- Board reviewed and signed an application to hold a raffle from the Purgatory Falls Fish & Game club.

- Board reviewed and signed an application to hold a raffle from the NH Dairy Goat Association.
- Board reviewed and signed an application for solar exemption.

Esposito asked if the Board would like to have the woodwork painted, as the newly painted walls, floor and ceiling makes the woodwork look shabby. No decision was made.

**8:45 pm** As there was no further business before the Board, Roberge motioned, seconded by Berry to adjourn. All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Laurie Brown