

LYNDEBOROUGH BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES
February 12, 2020
Final

I. Call to Order:

Chairman Chamberlain called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

II. Introduction of Members Present:

Chairman Mark Chamberlain, Selectman Fred Douglas and Selectman Richard McQuade
Town Administrator Russ Boland and Recorder Kathleen Humphreys

Public Present: Karen Blood from NH DAR, Art Napolitano, Paul Martin and Fire Chief Brian Smith

Media Present: Jessie Salisbury

III. Appointments:

6:05pm: Karen Blood re: Vietnam Welcome Home Day

Karen Blood is a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) Chapter. She was before the Selectmen to ask if they would consider proclaiming March 30 as Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day and to fly the 50th Anniversary Vietnam War Commemorative flag. She read the 50th Anniversary of the Vietnam War proclamation signed by President Barack Obama. The anniversary program spans 13 years, the length of the war, to honor and give thanks to a generation of proud Americans who saw our country through one of the most challenging missions we have ever faced.

Chairman Douglas inquired why the anniversary date is not March 29. Karen Blood explained that because the time zone difference spanned two days from when the troops left Vietnam to when they arrived on American soil. In March 2011, a Senate bill approved the anniversary as a singular day, on March 30, but either date is acceptable to fly the flag or for an observance.

The Board discussed raising the flag on March 29 so it is up by the morning of March 30 and flying it for a week. The location to fly the flag was debated; Lyndeborough Center or the Village. Only one flag is available to the Town. Amherst, Wilton, Mont Vernon and Milford have signed the proclamation for their towns.

The DAR will help publicize the event. It was discussed that it could be easier to get more participation on Sunday, March 29. Ms. Blood recommended a Selectman or Town official, who is also a Veteran, read the proclamation during the ceremony. Former Selectman Mark Schultz is a Vietnam Veteran and is in support of the proclamation. Chairman Chamberlain suggested it would be appropriate for Mark Schultz to read the proclamation.

It was discussed to hold the ceremony at 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, March 29. The Lafayette Artillery Company will be invited, especially since Captain Walter Holland is a Vietnam Veteran. The Town will ask if the Lafayette Artillery Company could fire the cannon.

A decision will be tabled until the February 26 meeting.

IV. Community Forum and Public Comment:

Jessie Salisbury mentioned the Primary Election went well.

V. Decision Making Actions:

Old/Tabled Business:

DERA Grant Update

T/A Boland was pleased to announce the DERA grant was approved. The contract was reviewed by PRIMEX and Town Counsel. Attorney Drescher recommended being diligent with the records. The grant is for up to \$66,066.00.

Chief Smith confirmed the date on the contract has been extended to March 1, 2021. Chairman Chamberlain pointed out that Exhibit B did not change the date to March 1, 2021. Selectman Douglas asked about Sections 13 and 14 on page 6 that reference scrapping the vehicle in the manner outlined. He felt it was very involved and ask who pays to scrap the vehicle. T/A Boland answered that the town pays but they receive the scrap salvage amount.

Chairman Chamberlain noticed there is significant follow-up activities required over the next few years. Chief Smith said that after the grant is approved that NH DES will send reminders regarding follow-up requirements. For example, they will need to track the idle hours and the fuel consumption, which is something the Fire Department already does. Chairman Chamberlain suggested that the Town track the deadlines and not rely on DES.

T/A Boland confirmed the new truck specs are compliant. Chief Smith will be ready to move forward and sign the contract right after Town Meeting. It was stressed that the truck needs to fit in the station and be delivered by the date on the contract.

Town Report Update

The Town Report is progressing well. The cover has been selected and the report will be ready to go to the printer soon.

b. New Business:

MS-737 & 2020 Warrant Article Review and Signing.

The document has been at the Village Store waiting for Budget Committee's signatures.

Chairman Chamberlain and Attorney Drescher have reviewed the Planning Board Warrant Article question.

c. Items not on Agenda:

Nothing to address

VI. Town Administrator Report

It was noted that the State does not want to pursue the line of sight concerns regarding the boulder on the intersection of Rt. 31 (Forest Road) and Glass Factory Road. They do not believe it is in their right-of-way. Selectman Douglas questioned their statement about "believed" and wanted to know the facts. He will investigate this further. He would

like specific information regarding the past accidents the homeowners refer to. The Board would like the State to officially sign-off on their statement regarding the ROW.

Trash Pick-Up Research: RSA 149:M:17 states the Town is responsible for providing an avenue for residents to dispose of their solid waste.

The Ambulance meeting with the four towns is scheduled for February 20 at 6:00 p.m.

A reminder the Asphalt Plant Wilton ZBA Rehearing is scheduled for February 18, 2020 at 7:30 p.m. at the Wilton-Lyndeborough Cooperative HS/MS. All previously submitted documents will be included in the record.

Selectman Douglas asked to go back to the topic of the DERA Grant contract relative to the language regarding the right to convey any vehicle or discard it for legal scrap. T/A Boland said that the vehicle will be sold to a scrapyard. Chief Smith can address questions regarding this and the grant at Town Meeting.

The Selectmen signed the grant paperwork.

Selectman Douglas mentioned a driveway on Mountain Road is still pushing snow onto Center Road. That snow is now frozen solid and Selectman Douglas felt the only way it can be moved is with a pay loader, which will cost the Town money and time. T/A Boland asked the police officer on-duty to visit the property and have a conversation with the homeowner.

VII. Selectmen's Report

a. MACC Base Action & Agenda

T/A Boland receive an email that the MACC Base bill will not include a \$10,000.00 bill to Wilton for dispatching the ambulance. T/A Boland will contact Wilton for more information.

Selectman Douglas mentioned the stats he requested do not match what was put in Wilton's Town Report for ambulance service. They are off by about 12-14 calls. Lyndeborough should be 99 calls and Greenfield at 137 calls.

b. Transportation Committee

Selectman Chamberlain attended a recent meeting. He has a concern that the DOT project in Merrimack was significantly reduced without hearing public comments. There are plans to send the legislative committee a letter that a public hearing is necessary.

c. Planning Board

Mr. Dick's "Wood Lot Only" will be on the February agenda (M-L 232-034). Attorney Drescher provided a document for Planning Board to sign. Mike Danis requested to be on the agenda, as an informal discussion, to discuss the former Quilty property he recently purchased on Forest Road, which is zoned light industrial.

d. Heritage Commission

No items to discuss.

e. Safety Complex

No items to discuss.

Consent Agenda:

Tabled until the end of the meeting.

VIII. Information Items Requiring No Discussion

None

IX. Non-Public Session RSA 91-A:3 II (a, c & l)

VOTE: Selectman McQuade moved, Selectman Douglas seconded to enter into a Non-Public Session at 7:13 p.m. Motion passed 3-0.

VOTE: Selectman Douglas moved, Selectman McQuade seconded to exit the Non-Public Session at 8:12 p.m. Motion passed 3-0.

Once back in public session the Board discussed the Federal Census Bureau request to validate the current boundaries of the Town. The Board decided to address this subject at their February 26, 2020 meeting.

VOTE: Selectman McQuade moved, Selectman Douglas seconded to table the Consent Agenda until the February 26, 2020 meeting. Motion passed 3-0.

Adjournment:

VOTE: Selectman Douglas moved, Selectman McQuade seconded to adjourn at 8:17 p.m. Motion passed 3-0.

Next regular meeting: February 26, 2020 at Citizens' Hall at 6:00 p.m.

Kathleen Humphreys, Transcriber

Chairman Mark Chamberlain

Selectman Fred Douglas

Selectman Richard McQuade

February 12, 2020 Consent Agenda

Item #	Item Title	Item Date	Approved
1	AP Warrants –February 4 & 11, 2020	2/12/2020	
2	Payroll Warrant – January 27 through February 9, 2020	2/12/2020	
3	Request to Execute 2020 Town Warrant	2/12/2020	
4	Board of Selectmen's Public Meeting Minutes – January 29, 2020	2/12/2020	
5	Board of Selectmen's Non Public Meeting Minutes – January 29, 2020	2/12/2020	