

**TOWN OF PEACHAM  
SELECTBOARD  
MEETING MINUTES  
Wednesday September 20, 2017  
UNAPPROVED**

**Present:**

**Selectboard Members:** David Jacobs and Tim Scott

**Public:** Mike Bruton, Town Clerk Tom Galinat, Neil Monteith, Sexton Cheryl Stevenson. Zoning Administrator Bob Hansen, Nick Comerchi, Mark Simakaski

**The meeting was called to order by Chair of the Board David Jacobs at 6:32PM.**

**ACTIONS:**

1. **Tim** will do the FEMA training.
2. **Melissa** will edit the Drug & Alcohol Policy draft before the next Selectboard Meeting.
3. **David** will measure the distance from the intersection of Peacham Danville Road and East Peacham Rd and email that to Melissa.
4. **Melissa** will edit the ordinance and have it ready by the next meeting.

**MINUTES:**

1. Additions
  - a. Neil Monteith Re: Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP)
  - b. Deliberative Session for pending civil litigation
2. Approve Minutes
  - a. **Tim moves to approve the minutes of 9/6/17. David seconds. All in favor. So moved.**
3. Neil Monteith Re: Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP)
  - a. They have held two meetings. At the last one four community member volunteers came forward to help with the HMP. The NVDA will be doing most of the work.
  - b. There will be a community wide survey that will be shared on the town website.
4. Highway Department Update and Requests
  - a. Drug and Alcohol Policy
    - i. David suggests that Melissa goes through and edits the drug and alcohol policy so it can be adopted at the next meeting.
  - b. Jeremy wrote a letter to the Selectboard with his Highway Department update.
    - i. They completed the Maple Tree Lane Better Back Roads Inventory Grant.
5. Discussion with ZA, DRB, and the public regarding Simakaski proposal
  - a. Nick asked Mark's thought on burden of proof about the height of the cupola. Nick said that the town has been measuring off of the blueprints but at some point we will need the height of what's there. Mark said that they will provide a drawing. Nick asked if it would be certified by an engineer. Mark said no, but anyone can come and measure it. He said that the final grade will be done on the building in the spring when the rest of the building is constructed.
  - b. Mark said that there is this Selectboard meeting, the next Selectboard meeting and if they cannot come to an understanding after that there will mandated mediation.
6. Request Use of Fire Department Parking Lot during Fall Foliage
  - a. Tom spoke to Jeff Berwick. He does not want anyone parking there to keep it open for emergency services. He is happy to have Tom run horse drawn carriage rides from

there. Tom asked for permission from the Selectboard to use that parking lot during Fall Foliage. The Selectboard gave permission.

7. Speed Limit Change on East Peacham Rd.

- a. David measured the distance of the new speed limit zone from the sign. It goes for .82 miles.
- b. David will measure the distance from the intersection of Peacham Danville Road and East Peacham Rd and email that to Melissa
- c. Melissa will edit the ordinance and have it ready by the next meeting.

8. Cemetery Bylaws

- a. David and Tim read the bylaws with the suggested changes.
- b. David moves to adopt the cemetery regulations as written. Tim seconds. All in favor. So moved.**

9. New Park at the Ewell Mill Rd and Peacham Danville Rd Intersection

- a. The town needs to name the park and make a sign for that park with historical research. David asked Tom to start writing a draft for the informational sign.
- b. Tom suggested a name - "Ewell Mill Historic Park". The Selectboard agreed that it was a good name.
- c. Tom will work on promoting an Open House on Fall Foliage Day.

10. Town Clerk Update and Requests

- a. Nattie will take care of replacing the board at the Snow Roller Barn.

11. Deliberative Session for pending civil litigation

- a. David moves to go into executive session at 7:23pm. Tim seconds. All in favor. So moved.**
- b. David moves to come out of executive session at 7:51pm. Tim seconds. All in favor. So moved.**
- c. No action taken.**

12. Review and Approve Bills

- a. The Selectboard reviewed and approved bills.
- b. David moves to pay the State of Vermont for their Petroleum Clean Up Fund Assessment Invoice. Tim seconds. All in favor. So moved.**

13. Review Correspondence

- a. The Selectboard reviewed correspondence.

**David moves to adjourn at 8:17pm. Tim seconds. All in favor. So moved.**