

Richard Bennett _____

John Allen _____

Bob Thompson _____

**Selectmen's Meeting
June 26, 2018**

Present: Richard Bennett, Chairman; Bob Thompson, Selectman, John Allen, Selectman

Visitors: Town Administrative Assistant Julie Hoyt, videographer Hank Benesh, Margie Furlong, George Howard, Peter Benson, Bea Davis, Jette Glazer, Helen Glazer, Emil Glazer, Dan Weeks & Jo Sorrell of Revision Energy.

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 pm

1. Approval of Minutes

- a. Selectmen's Meeting – June 12, 2018 –**Chairman Bennett, seconded by Selectman Allen, made the motion to approve the minutes as written. The motion passed unanimously.**

- 2. Update on Action Items** - No action items to report. Chairman Bennett reminded everyone of the Groundwater Protection presentation by USVLT at the Whitney Center tomorrow night, Wednesday, June 27th at 7pm.

Upcoming Selectman meetings:

Tuesday July 10th at 3:30pm – Selectmen's Meeting

Tuesday July 24th at 3:30pm – Selectmen's Meeting

Tuesday August 14th at 3:30pm – Selectmen's Meeting

Tuesday August 28th at 3:30pm – Selectmen's Meeting

3. Building Inspector

- a. Weekly Report - Kevin Bennett
- b. Building Permits
 1. 2018-54/ V07 – L26/ Owner – Tierney/732 Lower Highlands/new siding, window, garage door
 2. 2018-55/ V03 - – L40/ Owner – Kimball/40 Cameron Drive/re-shingle roof, add additional solar panels

4. New Business

- a. Cemetery Lot Agreement – Selectmen signed
Lot 735A –Village Cemetery
- b. Revision Energy – Peter Benson introduced Dan Weeks and Jo Sorrell of Revision Energy who provided an overview of a municipal solar installation; cost and benefit for Jackson. Revision has done over 8000 solar installations in Maine, NH and now expanding into Massachusetts. Working with Peter and Kevin Bennett, and using satellite images, they looked at the Fire Department, Town Garage, Library and Town Office buildings to determine solar production. All

buildings with the exception of the library have a S – SE or SW orientation and the library is E – W. The total estimated production would be 128 kw hours of DC installed capacity with about 400 rooftop panels with an approximate 40 – 50 year lifespan.

Ground mounts are typically more expensive and the space behind the town offices is not large enough for a full array.

If Jackson decides to move forward with an installation, Revision works with municipalities to find funding options. Since municipalities are tax exempt they are not eligible for the tax incentive credits afforded to individuals. There is the possibility of creating a Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) with an investor. That investor provides capital, forms an LLC and holds the agreement for a minimum of 5 years, after which the town can buy them out.

The estimated cost of the 4 building array is a conservative \$400,000. and at the current electric rates the estimated cost savings after 25 years is \$350,000. The project is expected to be cash neutral at about 5 years with a payback timeframe of 10 years.

Steps were outlined if there is interest in continuing to define the project.

c. Trustees of the Trust Fund – Withdrawal Request

Selectman Thompson, seconded by Selectman Allen, made a motion to withdraw \$3,827.20 from the Bridge Repair Expendable Trust Fund (0034) – to pay an invoice from White Mountain Lumber -Dated 5-23-2018 – invoice 536282 for repairs to the Meloon Road Bridge. The motion passed unanimously.

d. Extended Liquor License Request – Mallet Corporation/Wentworth Golf Club

Selectman Thompson, seconded by Selectman Allen, made a motion to approve the Red Fox's request to expand its licensed liquor area as proposed. The motion passed unanimously.

e. 2017 Abatements – **Selectman Thompson, seconded by Selectman Allen, made a motion to approve the 2017 Abatement refunds recommended by Jason Call, the town assessor. The motion passed unanimously. Selectman Allen, seconded by Selectman Thompson, made a motion to approve the 2017 Abatement denials recommended by Jason Call, the town assessor. The motion passed unanimously.**

5. Old Business

- a. Transfer Station updates – Chairman Bennett said that the cardboard is now moved to the back. Selectman Allen confirmed that all cars utilizing the 'dump store' do need a sticker. Selectman Allen suggested they start discussing a new sticker system once phase three is complete.

6. Public Comment -

Jette commented that the review conducted by the town assessor was not fair, consistent or applicable to their assessed value. She recommended that the process to meet with the assessor be reviewed to allow adequate notice prior to scheduling a meeting, and the requirements of the meeting be communicated to individuals beforehand. She would like to have the opportunity to appeal his abatement denial without having to go outside the towns' process. The Selectmen suggested she make an appointment to schedule this appeal process.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Gloria Hutchings