Town of Durham Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting Minutes September 5, 2017

Call to Order: Chairman Nadeau called the meeting to Order at 6:35 pm.

Members Present: Chairman Kevin Nadeau, Vice Chairman Mark Blake, Selectman Richard George, Selectman Rob Pontau, Selectman Todd Beaulieu.

Quorum: Chairman Nadeau announced a Quorum had been met with five (5) members present.

Also Present: AA/TA Ruth Glaeser, joined by Road Commissioner Calvin Beaumier, Fire Chief Bill St Michel, Adam Salve and Dennis Dimock of Durham Fire and Rescue and Public Information Technician Tammy Quimby.

Amendments to Agenda – Added to the agenda was VI.D. HVAC

Public Comment – No public present. Rob Pontau read a compliment form regarding a positive experiences at the Town Office with Shannon Plourde and Pam Cloutier.

Consent Agenda

- Approve Treasurer's Payables Warrant
- Approval of August 22, 2017 selectman meeting minutes
- Approval of August 28, 2017 selectman meeting minutes
- Correspondence (none)

Selectman Pontau Moves to Approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Selectman Blake Second. Motion Carried 5-0.

Action & Discussion Items:

High Crash Locations in GPCOG's Rural Communities

Rick Harbison of GPCOG is requesting input as to possible high crash locations. Previously identified in his draft report were the intersection of Route 125 and Quaker Meeting House Road and Route 125 (Pinkham Brook Road) from Soper Road to Meadow Road. It was suggested that GPCOG may also want to look at the intersection of Route 9 with Rabbit/Runaround Pond Roads continuing down the corridor toward Brunswick (Rabbit Road, Quaker Meeting House Road) and the curve on Route 9 commonly referred to as "Dead Man's Curve" or "Sirois' Curve".

Calvin Beaumier informed the group that DOT had the intersection of Route 125 and Meadow Road slated for 2018.

Rules for Public Hearing

The Board decided that the public hearing would be from 6:30pm to 7:30pm and would be kept to the subject of the moratorium and any information regarding ordinances would be addressed at a future public hearing.

PIT Introduction/Social Media

Public Information Technician Tammy Quimby spoke about plans to start a Town Facebook Page and move on from there to Twitter and possibly other platforms.

Fire & Rescue

Selectman's Report 09/05/2017

- 1: We were unable to schedule hose testing by Fail Safe until May of 2018 due to their availability. Hose tests need to be completed and recorded annually. There are not many companies in this area that provide hose testing service. We found one other and never heard back. With that hose testing has been started by the members. To date about half of the hose has been tested, the remaining hose will be completed in the next couple of weeks.
- 2: The keys for all of the doors at the station have not been changed or updated since 2002. With changes in staffing and the addition of the per diem program, access to the building has been challenging. Our recommendation would be to use the funds set aside for hose testing \$ 2,950 to have the locks changed in all of the doors at the fire station and in the modular. We have a quote from Doc's Loc's for \$ 2,541.47 to replace the locks. There will be an additional cost of \$ 8.00 per key time 65 keys totaling \$ 520.00.
- 3: As requested at our meeting on 08/08/2017 the well at the fire station was bleached and circulated on 08/09 and then again on 08/17. The water no longer smells like bleach and a new water test has been sent out today 09/05. The results should be in in a week. Until a satisfactory water test is returned there are signs up on all sinks and faucets stating not to drink or use the water for cooking. If the water test comes back acceptable we will retest again before the end of the year to be sure the problem has not returned.
- 4: The word of mouth advertisement for Per Diem staffing has been working; we have hired one outside member and have four applications pending. We still need to hire four to six more to fill out our schedule. Currently we have enough staff to cover week day Per Diem shifts and have opened the weekend shifts.
- 5: The officers and senior driver/engineers have started an Aerial Operations Course through Maine Fire Service Institute and SMCC. The course covers the use and capabilities of Truck 24 and is part of the upcoming Pro Board accredited driver operator certification.
- Deficiencies found during the apparatus pump test at the beginning of the month have been repaired.
- 7: The apparatus committee had a meeting 08/21 to discuss the information provided during the two previous vendor meetings, concerning the rescue and the engine. They are putting together specifications for both to send out for request for proposals from the vendor lists.
- 8: Ladder tests and maintenance are scheduled for the end of September after the conclusion of the ladder class.