

**MINUTES OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING**  
**Hope Board of Selectmen**  
**Tuesday, May 8, 2018**  
**6:30 PM**  
**Hope Town Office**

**Board Members Present:**

- Brian Powers Jr., Wendy Pelletier, Dick Crabtree, Mike Brown, and Sarah Ann Smith

**Others Present:**

- Samantha Mank

**Call to Order:**

- The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by Brian.

**Public Comment:**

- None

**Minutes:**

- Sarah made a motion to accept the 4/24/2018 minutes. It was seconded by Wendy.  
**Motion passed 5-0**
- Dick made a motion to accept the 4/30/2018 minutes. It was seconded by Sarah.  
**Motion passed 5-0**

**Administrator's Report:**

- The bids for the paving will be going out soon
- Clarence, John, and I are scheduled to meet with MMA Risk management on Thursday Morning to review the safety of both Fire Stations and the Sand/Salt Shed.
- We are prepared for the Special Town Meeting on Thursday evening.
- Mary and Chelsea will both be in Newry (Sunday River) for required training tomorrow. There will only be limited business conducted that day as I will be the only one in the office. This has been posted on the website, the Town's Facebook, minutes from the last meeting, and the front door.
- To date, \$13,455.33 have been paid pre-paid over 41 different real estate accounts for 2019.
- There are 137 outstanding 2018 tax real estate accounts totaling \$205,107.81
- There are 19 outstanding 2017 real estate accounts totaling \$40,914.05 with liens that will automatically foreclose in January 2019 if the accounts remain delinquent.

**New Business:**

- Letter from HES Principal, Danielle Fagonde: The school principal submitted a letter to the Board of Selectmen regarding the response time of NEMHS to an emergency call at the school. In the letter, she asserted that it took the ambulance approximately 25 minutes to arrive at the school. She also noted that in her opinion, it might be better for the Town to have Union Ambulance respond to emergency calls for the school as she believes there would be a shorter response time. The Town administrator provided the dispatch log for the 911 call in question. According to the dispatch logs, the actual response time from the time NEMHS received the call until the ambulance arrived at the school was 13:24 minutes. The Town

Administrator will respond in writing to the HES Principal explaining the findings of the Selectmen.

- Nomination to Legislative Policy Committee: Dick made a motion to nominate Wendy to be a candidate for the Legislative policy Committee. It was seconded by Sarah.

**Motion passed 5-0**

- Town Office Power Outage Protocol: The Town Administrator provided some information the Selectmen about Generlink. Generlink is a way to provide electricity to the Town Office in the event of an extended power outage. The Selectmen want the Administrator to provide additional information regarding installation and other related costs. Samantha will solicit information and share more at a later date.

**Old Business:**

- None

**Other Business:**

- Appointment of new BMV Agent – Chelsea Summers: Sarah made a motion to appoint Chelsea Summers as the BMV agent effective June 1, 2018. It was seconded by Mike.

**Motion passed 5-0**

- Approve & Sign new Liquor License for Barrettstown Farm House (*formerly known as the Publick House*): The Selectmen reviewed the application and noticed that the Sweet Tree School was not listed as the closest school with the actual distance from the restaurant. All of the Selectmen agreed that they were not opposed to approving or signing the application once it was signed. Samantha will contact the applicant for the corrections and the Selectmen will sign the corrected application on Thursday.
- Special Town Meeting: Thursday, May 10, 2018 @ 6:30PM at Hope Elementary School

**Review and Sign Warrants:**

- The Selectmen reviewed the warrants. Dick made a motion to approve and sign warrant #'s 79, 80, and 81. It was seconded by Sarah.

**Motion passed 5-0**

**Adjournment:**

- Dick made a motion to adjourn at 7:39 PM. It was seconded by Mike.

**Motion passed 5-0**