Town of Woodstock Hybrid Selectmen's Meeting Tuesday, June 29, 2021

Selectmen: R. Gil Rand, Charyl Reardon, Scott Rice

Staff: Kevin Millar, Melissa Sabourn

Public: Bill Waterhouse, Patrick Griffin, Steve Welch, Kelly & Dan Trinkle, Mike Donahue, #978, #803

Charyl called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

Minutes of the June 15, 2021 Public Hearing:

Scott motioned to accept the minutes of the June 15, 2021 Public Hearing. Gil seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

Minutes of the June 15, 2021 Meeting:

Gil motioned to accept the minutes of the June 15, 2021 Selectmen's Meeting. Scott seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

Minutes of the June 15, 2021 Non-Public Meeting:

Scott motioned to accept the minutes of the June 15, 2021 Non-Public Selectmen's Meeting. Gil seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

Adopt Water & Sewer Rate Increases:

Charyl provided an answer to the question asked last meeting regarding why it appeared that residential users were paying more per thousand than commercial entities. Charyl explained that the confusion in this calculation was a result of using the total commercial gallons verses just using the Commercial 1-6 user gallons. This is because commercial users over five million gallons a year are separated out as a stand-alone MOU therefore when calculated using Commercial 1-6 user gallons only and fees to be paid on those gallons it comes out to be \$11.35 per thousand or .44¢ per thousand gallons more than residential users.

Scott motioned to adopt the new water and sewer rates as presented on June 8, 2021. Gil seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

Charyl noted that the new rates will take effect beginning July 1st with the first billing period being the end of September beginning of October.

Change/Determine Workshop Date and Time:

Charyl has a conflict that cannot be rearranged on July 1st. The workshop was rescheduled to July 15th at 1:00pm.

Old/Other Business:

Staple Rock Park:

Usage of Staple Rock Park was discussed. Discussion was centered around signage, parking, and iron rangers.

Water Loss Evaluation:

Scott mentioned that he met with an engineering outfit that is going to give the Town a proposal to do a system wide leak detection as well as GIS and Map the Town's water system.

Public Participation:

Patrick Griffin:

Questioned the fees for Staple Rock Park and the legality of it.

Patrick pointed out that Scott was one of the larger water users in Town. Patrick feels he should have abstained from voting on the new rates.

Steve Welch:

Steve commended the Board on the new water and sewer rates and noted that this was long overdue.

Bill Waterhouse:

Bill questioned the water deficit.

Mike Donahue:

Mike informed the Board that he is starting to put a driveway in at his son's property located on Daniel Webster Highway next to Woodstock Sand and Gravel. Mike stated that he has a State of NHDOT issued Driveway Permit but does not have and Excavation Permit because it is considered incidental to the construction of the driveway, therefore exempt. Mike noted that he will be removing more than 1000 yards this year so he will file a Notice of Intent to Excavate.

At 5:27 p.m. a motion was made and seconded to adjourn the Selectmen's Meeting and enter into non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A: 3, II (e).

MOTION:

Roll Call: Scott Rice, Yes, Charyl Reardon, Yes, Gil Rand, Yes, Tax Collector, Melissa Sabourn

At 6:09 p.m. the Board came out of non-public session. Scott motioned to adjourn the non-public session, seal the minutes, and return to public session. Gil seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

VOTED 3-0

The public was able to participate remotely over Zoom by going to www.zoom.us, using the Zoom App on a cellphone, or on a landline calling 1-646-558-8656 Password: 003948 and entering Meeting ID: 935 0216 8673 Password: 003948. If the public were unable to access the meeting, they were asked to call 603-348-8752 for assistance.

Charyl Reardon.

Scott Rice