

**Town of Northumberland**  
**Board of Selectmen**  
**Meeting Notice and Proposed Agenda**  
**Date: Monday, December 2nd, 2019**  
**Place: Town Meeting Room – 10 Station Square**  
**Time: 6:00 P.M.**

Selectman present: Chris Wheelock, Michael Phillips, Jim Weagle  
Others present: Emily Swallow, Shawn Swallow, Pete Marshall, Al Rossetto,  
George Kennison, Joseph Kennett, Reginald & Terri Charron.

- 1. Chairman opens the meeting:** Chris Wheelock, Chairman opens the meeting.
- 2. Acceptance of Minutes:** Chris asks for a motion to accept minutes from November 18<sup>th</sup> meeting. Michael makes motion, Chris seconds, all in favor, 3-0.

**3. Selectmen Business:**

- a. Department Head Business - Highway and Water/Sewer Depts.

Reggie reports that 6,100,000 gallons is the lowest water amount pumped in history. 563,000 gallons lower this month than this time last year. Proof that the system is being closed up. Saving 78,000 gallons per day. There is still a lot of unaccounted metered water, but we are at 11% efficiency of the national average in useage. PFA testing came back good. There has been a ruling on PFA's and as of January 1, 2020, DES will be changing restrictions. Fitch Engineering coming back December 16 and 17 to finish the variable speed drive work. Lost Nation consistent with 2018 sewer. Gaining consistency. Had another hit to overtime, there was a problem at the village on Saturday with the pump station to the trailer park by Job Lot. It was overflowing and Whitings was called to pump and DES received a complaint. But all is good there was no pollution in the brook. Whitings said there was so much debris and that the pumps were not being taken care of. A letter to Brookview is being sent to inform them they need to care for their pumps.

Lagoon issues, concentration levels too high, in violation. Probably because of low rain amounts last summer. We only take in septage from residents and Perras Road, also took in Brookview because they had no other option. Breweries are high in septage concentration levels, lagoons can't handle. Breweries may have to have their own systems in order not to tax town systems. Lagoons are on their way out. Regarding the Mill, they now have to treat the Mill water with a refractory tank because when co-gen was digging a line from the river in they hit oil. They were fined. Because it is Chapman's property he ultimately will be responsible. There is money with the State that can be used.

- b. Chris announces the Office of Selectmen closed -Thursday, December 5th, 2019 due to a rare scheduling event. Apology for any inconvenience.
- c. Chris brings up the ongoing complaint with Page Hill and Longview may have some answers after the Planning Board meeting on Wednesday. Suggests the Board hold off on anything until after that meeting. Michael agrees.

#### **4. Applications/Permits and Warrants:**

a. Intent to Cut:

Intent to cut from William Green of Lost Nation Road, Larry Brown logger.  
Motion by Jim to approve, seconded by Michael, all in favor, 3-0.

b. Veterans Credit Application:

Norm and Bonnie Whiting. Have met all criteria. Motion to approve by Jim,  
seconded by Michael, all in favor, 3-0.

c. Building Permit

Shawn and Emily Swallow to build 12x28 wood utility shed with metal roof.  
Discussion by the Board on approving of utility sheds, some have been done  
this year, may not be right. Michael says there seems to be a grey area. Motion  
by Jim to approve permit contingent with the \$100 fee being paid, and in March  
\$25 will be refunded. Seconded by Michael, all in favor, 3-0. Chris mentions to  
Shawn to be sure to see Min for the Permit.

#### **5. Public Matters To Be Addressed By The Board:**

Chris asks if there is anything else to be addressed by the Board. Al Rossetto  
brings up the tipping fee reductions. Al tried to get the fee dropped from \$67/ton  
to \$53/ton but failed the vote at the District Meeting. Was able to reduce the fee  
to \$60/ton. Mt. Carberry charges \$20 to \$22/ton fee. The further away the lower  
the fee to make up for the drive. Taking lots of out of state trash, district towns  
make up for only 7 - 8%. Landfill's gas system takes 2 million per year to operate  
and recycling takes a million a year. In 2026 another cell will have to be opened to  
accept trash.

#### **6. Non-Public Session: (Pursuant to RSA'S 91-A:3,II (a), (b), ©, (d), (e):**

Michael makes motion to go into Non-public at 6:30pm?????. Jim seconds, all in  
favor, 3-0.

Motion to come out of Non-public at 6:50pm by Jim, seconded by Michael, all in  
favor, 3-0.

#### **7. Public session resumed:** Motion made by Jim to allow Police Dept. computer purchases, Michael seconds, all in favor, 3-0.

#### **8. Adjournment:** Motion made by Jim to adjourn at 6:51pm????seconded by Michael. All in favor, 3-0.

Next meeting, December 16, 2019

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Kathan  
Select Board Minute Taker

Minutes approved by Select Board Members on \_\_\_\_\_

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Jim Weagle  
Northumberland Select Board Chair

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Chris Wheelock  
Northumberland Select Board Chairman

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Michael Phillips  
Northumberland Select Board Member