

BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING

Selectmen present: Mark Le Doux, Chairman; David Petry, Vice Chairman (via telephone); Vahrij Manoukian; Frank Cadwell and Peter Band

Selectmen absent: None

Staff present: Kimberly Galipeau, Interim Town Administrator

COMMUNITY ROOM

Chairman Le Doux convened the October 12, 2015, Selectmen's meeting at 7:03 PM in the Town Hall Community Room.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW), Hollis Post 11373 Commander Russell Norris.

AGENDA REVIEW

Mark Le Doux reviewed the Selectmen's agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENTS**VFW, Hollis Memorial Post 11373 – "Hometown Hero-Welcome Home" Award**

Chairman Le Doux introduced Hollis Memorial Post Commander Russell Norris to the Board. Commander Norris is attending this evening's meeting at the request of the Board to re-present an award to Dr. James H. Kelly, MD, who has recently returned from deployment in the United Arab Emirates (UAE) as a citizen soldier.

Commander Norris explained that Dr. Kelly's son has been deployed overseas as a member of the Armed Forces Mortuary Department. During a conversation, Dr. Kelly was notified that good medical doctors were needed in the field. Dr. Kelly went to the National Guard offices to find out how he could help, and enlisted in the Army National Guard as a Doctor. Dr. Kelly was originally deployed to Afghanistan for 4 months, returned home, was redeployed to the UAE, and recently completed that tour.

The Hollis VFW Post felt it important to acknowledge and recognize his efforts, and had presented him with a "Hometown Hero-Welcome Home" award at Old Home Days in September. The Board had asked him to re-present the award at a televised Selectmen's meeting, and he was here to do so.

Commander Norris introduced Dr. Kelly, and read the award citation: "To Dr. James H Kelly, MD, Major (P), United States Army National Guard. With grateful appreciation and in special recognition of your dedication to the American values of fidelity, patriotism, zeal and obedience, the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, Hollis Memorial Post 11373, is honored to welcome you home. Your service as a Surgeon in the New Hampshire National Guard's 197th Field Artillery proved critical in the 197th's mission of achieving America's national security objective. Your voluntary deployment to the UAE with the 3/197th HIMARS showcased the leadership values of service before self, and is the hallmark of a true citizen soldier and patriot. Post 11373 is honored to offer you complimentary membership into our post, and looks forward to your continued service to the New Hampshire National Guard and the Town of Hollis. Given this 19th day of September 2015 by Commander Russell Norris, VFW, Hollis Memorial Post 11373."

Dr. Kelly commented that he has had a great life in this country; a lot of others have put in their dues, and it was just his turn. Plenty of young people, in their 20's and 30's, have put their lives on hold for their country, and he is honored to have served with them.

The Board profusely thanked Dr. Kelly for his service and commitment to the country, and Commander Norris for bringing this award to their attention.

APPOINTMENTS

Chairman Le Doux announced that Mr. Paul Happy has been recommended as an Alternate Member of the Energy Committee by Venu Rao, Chairman, with a term to expire on April 30, 2018. Mr. Happy was present and introduced himself to the Board.

MOVED by Frank Cadwell seconded by Vahrij Manoukian that Paul Happy be appointed as an Alternate Member of the Energy Committee, with a term to expire on April 30, 2018. Voting in favor of the motion were Le Doux, Petry, Manoukian, Band and Cadwell. No one was opposed. The motion passed 5-0-0.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

1. Weekly Meetings & Announcements

P. Band announced the board and committee meetings for the week of October 12, 2015 – October 18, 2015.

V. Manoukian reminded the viewing audience that the prescription drop-box has been installed and is available for the drop-off of expired or unused medications at the Hollis Police Department. The drop-box is in the foyer and is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

2. Warrants

a. Wages 10-8-15 (\$144,634.98)

MOVED by Frank Cadwell seconded by Vahrij Manoukian that the Selectmen approve the wages as submitted. Voting in favor of the motion were Le Doux, Petry, Manoukian, Cadwell and Band. No one was opposed. The motion PASSED 5-0-0.

b. Accounts Payable 10-8-15 (\$348,862.60)

MOVED by Frank Cadwell seconded by Vahrij Manoukian that the Selectmen approve the wages as submitted. Voting in favor of the motion were Le Doux, Petry, Manoukian, Cadwell and Band. No one was opposed. The motion PASSED 5-0-0.

c. Benefit Strategies 10-8-15 (\$3,397.37)

MOVED by Frank Cadwell seconded by Vahrij Manoukian that the Selectmen approve the wages as submitted. Voting in favor of the motion were Le Doux, Petry, Manoukian, Cadwell and Band. No one was opposed. The motion PASSED 5-0-0.

3. Approval Public Minutes 9-28-15

MOVED by Vahrij Manoukian seconded by Peter Band that the Selectmen approve the public minutes of Monday, September 28, 2015, as submitted. Voting in favor of the motion were Le Doux, Petry, Manoukian, Band and Cadwell. No one was opposed. The motion PASSED 5-0-0.

NON-PUBLIC SESSION

MOVED by Vahrij Manoukian seconded by Frank Cadwell that the Selectmen enter NON-public session in accordance with RSA 91-A:3-II (a) personnel and (d) land acquisition. Voting in favor of the motion were Le Doux, Petry, Cadwell, Manoukian and Band. No one was opposed. The motion PASSED 5-0-0.

The Board entered non-public session at 7:16 PM.

CONCLUSION OF NON-PUBLIC SESSION

MOVED by Frank Cadwell seconded by Vahrij Manoukian that the Selectmen come out of NON-PUBLIC session in accordance with RSA 91-A:3-II (a) personnel and (d) land acquisition. Voting in favor of the motion were Le Doux, Petry, Cadwell, Manoukian and Band. No one was opposed. The motion PASSED 5-0-0.

MOVED by Frank Cadwell seconded by Vahrij Manoukian that the Selectmen seal the minutes of the NON-PUBLIC session in accordance with RSA 91-A:3-II (a) personnel and (d) land acquisition. Voting in favor of the motion were Le Doux, Petry, Cadwell, Manoukian and Band. No one was opposed. The motion PASSED 5-0-0.

The Board came out of non-public session and entered into public session at 9:05 pm.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOVED by Vahrij Manoukian seconded by Peter Band that the Selectmen adjourn. Voting in favor of the motion were Le Doux, Petry, Manoukian, Band and Cadwell. No one was opposed. The motion passed 5-0-0.

The Board adjourned at 9:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Connie Cain
Staff