

Wolfeboro Board of Selectmen
Public Meeting Minutes-UNAPPROVED
In-Person at the Great Hall, 9 Union St. Wolfeboro
September 1, 2021

Board Members present: Chairman Linda Murray, Brad Harriman, Dave Senecal, Linda Murray, Luke Freudenberg, and Brian Deshaies

Staff present: Town Manager Jim Pineo, Director of Parks and Rec Christine Collins, Electric Department Director Barry Muccio and Recording Secretary Christine Doherty

Chairman Murray opened the meeting at 6:30 PM.

Non-Public Session RSA 91-A:3, II a

Mr. Pineo stated a non-public session is not needed.

1. Consideration of Minutes

- i. July 21, 2021

Mrs. Murray: Bottom of page 2 the motion is to accept the donation in the amount of \$14,000 for EV chargers.

It was moved by Luke Freudenberg and seconded by Dave Senecal to approve the minutes of July 21, 2021 as amended. Roll call vote Linda Murray—yes, Luke Freudenberg—yes, Dave Senecal—yes, and Brian Deshaies—yes. Being none opposed, the motion passed.

- ii. August 18, 2021

It was moved by Dave Senecal and seconded by Luke Freudenberg to approve the minutes of August 18, 2021. Roll call vote Linda Murray—yes, Luke Freudenberg—yes, Dave Senecal—yes, and Brian Deshaies—yes. Being none opposed, the motion passed.

2. Public Hearings

Unexpected Fund under \$10,000

- i. The Wolfeboro Board of Selectmen will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, September 1, 2021 at their meeting, which starts at 6:30 PM in the Great Hall Town Hall, 84 South Main Street, Wolfeboro, New Hampshire for the acceptance of unanticipated funds in excess of \$10,000 in accordance with RSA 31:95-b III (a), relative to unanticipated funds in the amount of \$100,000 from the Friends of Pop Whalen for the purpose of engineering and

architectural services for the expansion of Pop Whalen Ice Arena at 390 Pine Hill Rd.

Victor Drouin from the Friends of Pop Whalen with Kirk Devylder are pleased to present to the town a check for \$100,000.

Suzanne Ryan, Wolfeboro resident: There is a long history with this building and the Town has supported it overwhelmingly since 1986. The Backbay Hockey Association (BBHA) was a big part of this. We have put hundreds of thousands of dollars into it and the Town is looking for \$1.5 million this year. The Friends of Pop Whalen (FOPW) is proposing to raise \$2.12 million dollars. And I would like to hear about a business plan or timeline and what the effect the addition will have on the operating of the building or if the expansion will bring in revenue. I would like to see some details. It would have been nice to have a presentation from the FOPW and the Town. Why don't we lease this building to people who know what they are doing? People that run ice rinks. Sue Glenn was the manager and an avid hockey enthusiast so maybe we need a sports enthusiast to operate it correctly. It could be a cooperative facility. I haven't heard it discussed in public and I suggest maybe you table accepting these funds tonight until we have some feedback

Kirk Devylder, Secretary of FOPW and president of BBHA: This project is not, from our perspective, about operations. What we are doing here is to take an aging facility and bring it into modern times. One that is available to us for all seasons. The work done will reduce operating costs such as insulating, which would drive down major utility bills. If anyone would like to attend one of our meetings to get more information they can. This is a gift we have for the town, not to run it or oversee it. We put together a group that sees the issues in the facility now and the ones in the future. We want to address that. The Town's portion (\$1.5 million) is really to stabilize the building so it can be used to service the people and children of the town.

Victor Drouin: I would like to add that the Town approved a sum in the Warrant Articles for the structure of the building. The FOPW came to the town and asked would it be beneficial if we funded the amount to make it a four-season facility.

Suzanne Ryan: It brings me back to what do we have in writing for assurances that once we accept this \$100k that they are going to raise the necessary funds for the addition.

Chairman Murray opened up for public hearing

No comments

Public hearing closed

Mr. Pineo: We do have a MOU regarding the \$100k with the FOPW. The architect we are working with will be completing a scope of work which is broken down by the expansion and the items for the town. If it takes the FOPW two years to raise this money, we do have a Warrant Article for 2022 to update this facility. There will most likely be an MOU further along. We do have the ability to repair the existing facility which is in dire need; roof, insulation, siding.

Ms. Murray: I think a partnership is important. The architectural design Warrant Article was approved in 2021, the voters are paying for what they approved and the FOPW are paying for their part. We are taking money to help us get to where we need with the facility.

Chairman Murray opened up the public hearing

No other comments

Closed public hearing

It was moved by Brian Deshaies seconded by Dave Senecal to accept a cash donation from the Friends of Pop Whalen in the amount of \$100,000 to be used for engineering and architectural work for the Pop Whalen Ice Arena expansion. This donation will be booked to Donations – Pop Whalen (Account #05-35080-150) and these services will be charged to Pop Whalen Other Services (Account #05-45890-380) which will be funded by this donation. Roll call vote Linda Murray – yes, Luke Freudenberg – yes, Dave Senecal – yes, and Brian Deshaies - yes. Being none opposed, the motion passed.

- ii. The Wolfeboro Board of Selectmen will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, September 1, 2021 at approximately 6:30 PM in the Great Hall of the Wolfeboro Town Hall for the acceptance of unanticipated funds in excess of \$10,000 in accordance with RSA 31:95-b III (a), relative to unanticipated grant funds in the amount of \$269,000 from the Friends of Abenaki for expanded snowmaking at Abenaki Ski Area located at 390 Pine Hill Rd.

Bill Swaffield, Friends of Abenaki: (see attached) We have had snow making at Abenaki since the early 2000s. We have three trails that have no snow on them. The Town employees who make the snow expend a lot of energy dragging hoses through the woods to those trails. Expanding the snowmaking will eliminate on this and get snow on the Twister trail and on the other two trails. No dragging of hoses through the woods. We are just looking for approval from the town to move forward on the project.

It was moved by Linda Murray and seconded by Luke Freudenberg to accept a cash donation from the Friends of Abenaki in the amount of \$269,000 to be received in two payments and to be used for expanded snowmaking at the Abenaki Ski Area located at 390 Pine Hill Rd. This donation will be booked to Donations – Miscellaneous (Account # 01-35080-150) and this project will be charged to Friends of Abenaki expense (Account #12-52000-383) which will be funded by this donation. Roll call vote Linda Murray – yes, Luke Freudenberg – yes, Dave Senecal – yes, and Brian Deshaies - yes. Being none opposed, the motion passed.

Temporary Event Permit(s)

- i. The Wolfeboro Board of Selectmen to consider a Temporary Event Permit for the Friends of the Libby Museum to host the annual mums fundraising sale from September 3-5, 2021 from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM at the Libby Museum of Natural History. Permit # 2021-47.

Member of the Friends of Libby: This is our 3rd annual event. It helps to raise money for the Friends of Libby to have programs.

Chairman Murray opened up the public hearing

No other comments

Closed public hearing

A motion was made by Luke Freudenberg and seconded by Dave Senecal to approve a Temporary Permit for the Friends of the Libby Museum to host the annual mums fundraising sale from September 3-5, 2021 from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM at the Libby Museum of Natural History. Permit # 2021-47. Roll call vote Linda Murray – yes, Luke Freudenberg – yes, Dave Senecal – yes, and Brian Deshaies - yes. Being none opposed, the motion passed.

- ii. The Wolfeboro Board of Selectmen to consider a Temporary Event Permit for Wolfeboro Parks and Recreation to host the Fall Festival on September 25, 2021 from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM at the Foss Field Pavilion. Permit #2021-48.

Christine Collins Parks and Rec: This is an event we have done for numerous years. We hosted it at Abenaki but moved it to Foss Field two years ago to make it more accessible. We collaborated this year with the Kingswood Youth Center for their Chili Challenge. We will have vendors (not food), Animal Encounters is going to be there, music, arts and crafts and other activities.

Chairman Murray opened up the public hearing

No other comments

Closed public hearing

Luke Freudenberg made a motion and it was seconded by Dave Senecal to approve a Temporary Permit for Wolfeboro Parks and Recreation to host the Fall Festival on September 25, 2021 from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM at the Foss Field Pavilion. Permit #2021-48. Roll call vote Linda Murray – yes, Luke Freudenberg – yes, Dave Senecal – yes, and Brian Deshaies - yes. Being none opposed, the motion passed.

3. Public Input (Limited to 3 Minutes per resident, not to exceed 15 minutes in total)

Suzanne Ryan: On the Agenda there was some item relevant to a contest regarding the naming of Pop Whalen?

Ms. Murray: It is naming parts of the building with donations. It is not to change the name Pop Whalen.

4. Bulk Vote

A. Weekly Manifests

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| i. August 20, 2021 | \$333,411.76 |
| ii. August 27, 2021 | \$288,490.81 |

B. Intent to Cut Wood or Timber

- i. Northline Road Tax Map 115 Lot 8

It was moved by Dave Senecal and seconded by Brian Deshaies to approve the Bulk Vote items A through B. Roll call vote Linda Murray – yes, Luke Freudenberg – yes, Dave Senecal – yes, and Brian Deshaies - yes. Being none opposed, the motion passed.

5. Board/Committee Appointments

N/A

6. New Business

A. Discussion: Wolfeboro Waters Assessing Report 2020 Water Testing (see attached)

Warren Muir: We prepared a report that should be on our website that has more detail with the data. I thought I could take this time to summarize what has been happening over the past three years. In 2018 samples showed we had pretty good water quality. The biggest issue was with Mirror Lake but nutrients was already present in the lake. But as a result of the presence of bloom the NHDES now considers Lake Winnepesaukee water quality generally good, but impaired.

Brad Harriman joins the meeting at 7:15.

B. Approval: Memorandum of Understanding with Lake Winnepesaukee Association (see attached)

Mr. Pineo: There has been an ongoing discussion with the Wolfeboro Waters Committee in conjunction with Lake Winnepesaukee Association (LWA) about a MOU which would authorize fundraising to take place for the Wolfeboro Bay Watershed Management Plan to pay for the study. It has been reviewed by the LWA, local legal counsel so basically all we need to do is authorize the signing.

Ms. Murray: The LWA has a designated fund for the Wolfeboro Watershed Management Plan. NHDES will no longer give grants for the plan. We are going to call this an environmental study. It is a very positive step forward as far as looking at Wolfeboro Bay and the sources of run off into so we may be able to get some 319 (grant) money in the future for solutions.

It was moved by Luke Freudenberg and seconded by Dave Senecal to authorize the Town Manager to sign the Memorandum of Understanding between the Lake Winnepesaukee Association and the Town of Wolfeboro date August 19, 2021. Roll call vote Brad Harriman – yes, Linda Murray – yes, Luke Freudenberg – yes, Dave Senecal – yes, and Brian Deshaies - yes. Being none opposed, the motion passed.

C. Appointment: Permission to Hang Ribbons on Trees on Main Street

Jim Shannon from Wolfeboro: I am here on behalf of my wife to get approval to hang yellow ribbons in honor of the military. Reads letter from wife requesting permission (see attached) and a letter from Representative Brodie Deshaies (see attached).

Brian Deshaies made a motion and it was seconded by Dave Senecal to grant permission to Elizabeth Shannon and any Veteran to hang yellow ribbons on Town trees from Clark Park to Meredith Village Savings Bank or maybe an extended area from August 27, 2021 until all servicemen who fought in Afghanistan are home safe. Roll call vote Brad Harriman – yes, Linda Murray – yes, Luke Freudenberg – yes, Dave Senecal – yes, and Brian Deshaies - yes. Being none opposed, the motion passed.

D. Discussion: Construction of Poles/Wires on Class VI Road Northline, MED
(see attached)

Barry Muccio: I have been contracted to construct the poles and wires on a Class VI Road. There is usually a building permit that is needed. However, there is a camp that has been there for over 80 years and that is why we need the Board's authority to authorize this, but there may need to be a discussion for waivers to be in place as it is not a new construction.

Mr. Pineo: Once an electric permit is pulled we would have to come in front of the Board and have that waiver put in place, authorized and processed. The waiver is to have electric on a Class VI road.

Ms. Murray: No building permits for a Class VI road, so is this waiver for liability?

Mr. Pineo: Yes, because it is a Class VI road so the town would not be held liable.

Mr. Harriman: Who is baring the cost of this?

Mr. Muccio: The owner, but once we build it we own it for maintenance. I'm coming to you for the pole and wire approval. Which do not necessarily facilitate future plans for the property.

Ms. Murray: If he goes to expand that building will he have to get a permit for that on a Class VI Road?

Mr. Pineo: Yes and any permit pulled on that property (a Class VI Road) would have to come back to the Board.

Ms. Murray: Basically, you are looking for the board to authorize this construction contingent upon the waiver.

Mr. Muccio: You would be authorizing those three poles on this form.

Mr. Cornelissen, owner of property: This property has been in the family since the 1950s. We are looking to put in electricity, water and septic. We are not looking to make this a year-round house but simply bringing power into the camp. We know we have to pay for the power to be installed.

Linda Murray made a motion and it was seconded by Dave Senecal to approve the pole location on the August 26, 2021 proposal contingent upon the waivers and permits per RSA 674:41 on North Line Road a Class VI road. Roll call vote Brad Harriman – yes, Linda

Murray – yes, Luke Freudenberg – yes, Dave Senecal – yes, and Brian Deshaies - yes. Being none opposed, the motion passed.

E. Approval: Agreement to Disband the Intermunicipal Agreement for the Provisions of Aquatic Nuisance Plant Control Between the Towns of Tuftonboro and Wolfeboro (see attached)

Ms. Murray: This agreement was established in 2010 in a way to address the high cost of milfoil removal. We sold the last boat in January of this year. There is no longer a need for the joint board.

Dave Senecal made a motion and it was seconded by Brad Harriman to authorize the Wolfeboro Board of Selectmen Chairman to sign the Agreement to disband the Intermunicipal Agreement for the Provisions of Aquatic Nuisance Plant Control between the towns of Tuftonboro and Wolfeboro effective July 29, 2021. Roll call vote Brad Harriman – yes, Linda Murray – yes, Luke Freudenberg – yes, Dave Senecal – yes, and Brian Deshaies - yes. Being none opposed, the motion passed.

F. Discussion: Lakes Region Model Railroad Update (see attached)

John Simms, President of the Lakes Region Model Railroad Museum: The project is going well. Phase I of the project should be wrapping up in late September or early October. Currently there is \$7,500 left in the Capital Reserve. Phase II is under discussion and the Stewardship Agreement. We do have an agreement from everyone to build an elevated insulated floor. Once that is done we can open up to public access. Phase III will then be next. The exhibit will be triggered by smartphones and QR text and anyone who comes into the museum will be able to drive a train It is going to be quite impressive.

G. Discussion: Naming Opportunities of Pop Whalen and Arts Center

Ms. Murray: You could name the penalty box, Zamboni, referee room for the right donation. It is being brought to the board to vote to allow them to move forward with this.

Brian Deshaies made a motion and it was seconded by Luke Freudenberg to approve the Friends of Pop Whalen to move forward with naming opportunities. Roll call vote Brad Harriman – yes, Linda Murray – yes, Luke Freudenberg – yes, Dave Senecal – yes, and Brian Deshaies - yes. Being none opposed, the motion passed.

Mr. Senecal: The only thing I do not agree with is the building name.

Mr. Pineo: If someone came forward with the full amount needed for the upgrade would we have to discuss that with the board.

H. Discussion: Town Manager Evaluation (see attached)

Ms. Murray: If everyone agrees, fill out the evaluation form and have it back to me by September 15th. Then we can review it at the September 22nd meeting and then meet with Mr. Pineo on Oct 6th.

I. Discussion: 2022 Budget Review Schedule (see attached)

Ms. Murray: Anybody have any issues with the schedule?

No comments

7. Other Business

Mr. Deshaies: I ran into Carrie and we talked about the Libby Museum. I told them the problem I have with going forward is not really knowing if donors are really there. They told me they have a donor with an account at JP Morgan with \$1 million dollars in it for the FOL. John is going to work on getting a rep from JP Morgan to join our Sept 15th meeting with a pledge that this account exists and is earmarked for the FOL. He and Carrie also talked about benchmarking and how it could be done to be a little bit more acceptable for the Board. If that \$1million donation comes in and they have \$150,000 and another \$100,000 pledge, they would have \$1.3 million. With that, they would be looking to raise \$425k a year over the next two years. If they don't make their benchmarks we don't put out a Warrant Article. To me this becomes a much more acceptable solution.

Also, I've been riding my bike around for 25 years, for some reason this year on 109 the trash on the side of the roads is horrible. Just wanted to make a statement to citizens to let them know.

8. Committee Reports

Mr. Harriman: nothing to report

Mr. Senecal: nothing to report

Ms. Murray: Two CIP meetings. Fire and Police and Highway and Library. Dave Ford talked about a new Municipal parking lot on Filter Bed Rd. Sidewalks on Bay St. Cindy Scott is retiring from the Library. Chamber Social. Two meetings of FOPW

Mr. Freudenberg: Police Commission Chief is working on his budget, good summer with the Tesla and bike patrol

Mr. Deshaies: Energy Committee potential solar and other renewable energies, CIPs, Friends of Libby about donors

9. Town Manager's Report

Mr. Pineo: Design Charrette from Plan NH start in 2021 was postponed is coming up in October 2021. Updated MOU, same that was in place previously. Need authorization to sign this MOU.

Linda Murray made a motion and it was seconded by Dave Senecal to authorize the Town Manager to sign the MOU from the Plan NH. Roll call vote Brad Harriman – yes, Linda Murray – yes, Luke Freudenberg – yes, Dave Senecal – yes, and Brian Deshaies - yes. Being none opposed, the motion passed.

Staff is working on budgets. Annual employee appreciation day Friday the 17th for the employees to get together. Planning on closing at noon and serving lunch.

One of our employees was in a serious motorcycle accident and was flown out medivac. Don't know any details but just be advised.

10. Questions From the Press

N/A

11. Public Input (Limited to 3 minutes per resident, not to exceed 15 minutes in total)

Suzanne Ryan: Pop Whalen, looking up the history it's advertised as the lowest ice rental rates in the state of NH. I don't think it's a good idea to say we are the cheapest around. I thought the Board had said we should take that off the ad.

Mr. Deshaies: When we looked at the rates recently, we were in the middle.

Ms. Murray: Jim will look at that as that is old.

Ms. Ryan: I would like to know who bought the permission from this Board to bill ourselves as Pop Whalen and Arts Center. Until this all comes together it is not an Arts Center.

Ms. Murray: It was when Mr. Hipple was here and a floor was going to be put down so we could have shows and events there. But it was unable to happen.

Ms. Ryan: It shouldn't be billed as four season or an arts center, not yet.

It was moved by Dave Senecal and seconded Luke Freudenberg to adjourn at 8:20 PM. Roll call vote Brad Harriman—yes, Linda Murray—yes, Luke Freudenberg—yes, Dave Senecal—yes, and Brian Deshaies—yes. Being none opposed, the motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,
Christine Metcalfe Doherty

**Memorandum of Understanding
Between the
Lake Winnepesaukee Association
and the
Town of Wolfeboro**

August 19, 2021

Title: Development of the Wolfeboro Bay Watershed Management Plan

This **MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING** ("MOU") is hereby entered into by and between Lake Winnepesaukee Association (hereinafter referred to as the LWA) and the Town of Wolfeboro (hereinafter referred to as Wolfeboro) for the purpose of outlining the general agreement as to the management and financial responsibilities of the parties mentioned above, with regards to the development of a watershed management plan (hereinafter referred to as the Project) for Wolfeboro Bay on Lake Winnepesaukee. This MOU recognizes that the LWA and Wolfeboro have unique and complementary skills and resources necessary for the development of a watershed management plan for Wolfeboro Bay.

PURPOSE AND BACKGROUND

As a major economic asset to the Town of Wolfeboro, as well as the State of New Hampshire, Lake Winnepesaukee deserves protection of its irreplaceable water quality, the feature that most draws visitors to our community and enhances the quality of life for those who call this place home. Currently, however, due to the occurrence of cyanobacteria, Winnepesaukee is found on the EPA's most recent list of threatened or impaired waters for primary contact recreation use.

Experience shows that the most effective approach for monitoring and protecting valuable water resources like Winnepesaukee is a comprehensive watershed-based management plan. In fact, such plans are a requirement for securing EPA funding for stormwater mitigation and protection projects under the Clean Water Act.

Because Winnepesaukee is a shared resource, it is imperative that communities around the lake share responsibility for identifying and mitigating pollution sources that are contributing to known impairments.

Taking the lead in this effort since 2010 has been the Lake Winnepesaukee Association (LWA). Due to the size of the Winnepesaukee watershed, the LWA has been developing watershed management and restoration plans at the subwatershed level. The LWA has been the lead partner and project manager in the development of management plans for the Waukegan and Winona watersheds, for the Moultonborough Bay Inlet Restoration Plan, and, in 2020, for the Moultonborough Bay and Winter Harbor Watershed Management Plan.

Now, a watershed plan that focuses on Wolfeboro Bay is the appropriate next step in this huge protection and preservation effort. Development of a watershed management plan for Wolfeboro Bay will capture a snapshot of the health of waters in the Bay, identify any sources of pollution, and provide a roadmap for mitigation and protection efforts in the future.

RESPECTIVE ROLES

The town of Wolfeforo is a municipality located on the eastern side of Lake Winnepesaukee in Carroll County, serving a population of approximately 6,400 people. Concern for water quality issues in Wolfeforo's lakes and ponds brought about the formation of the Wolfeforo Waters Committee. Wolfeforo Waters is a citizens group engaged in planning, water quality monitoring, communication and outreach, and pollution mitigation strategies in an effort to develop more community awareness and involvement in protecting Wolfeforo's precious water resources.

The LWA is the singular non-profit 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to protecting the water quality and natural resources of Lake Winnepesaukee and its watershed. The organization is composed of elected officials, volunteer board members and staff, as well as over 500 members. Since the Association's inception in the 1970's, it has worked to protect the water quality of Lake Winnepesaukee through monitoring, education, science-based lake management, and restoration.

This Memorandum of Understanding serves the mutual interest of Wolfeforo and LWA's respective missions and the public they serve.

STATEMENT OF RESPONSIBILITIES HAVING MUTUAL BENEFIT AND INTEREST

In consideration of the above purpose, Wolfeforo and LWA agree as follows:

LWA shall:

- Open and maintain a bank account for the receiving and maintenance of public and/or private funding raised for the purpose of the Project.
- Provide project management, development, and oversight.
- Solicit bids and contract with an environmental consultant to carry out the tasks required to develop the Project in compliance with EPA a-i criteria as defined for grants under Section 319 of the federal Clean Water Act.
- Communicate plans to pursue private and/or public funding prior to such fundraising efforts for the purposes of the Project.
- Establish a Fundraising committee for the purpose of raising private funds for the Project.
- Establish a Steering Committee to review and provide input on key draft deliverables and outputs for the Project.
- Maintain ongoing communication with Wolfeforo and the Wolfeforo Waters Committee, including but not limited to committee minutes, project progress, timetable, budget, etc.
- Provide semi-annual updates or progress reports to the Steering Committee and Wolfeforo.
- Maintain all financial records relating to the Project, and retain records as long as required by law.

Wolfeforo shall:

- Communicate plans to pursue public funding prior to such fundraising efforts for the purposes of the Project.
- Provide input, through the Wolfeforo Waters Committee, to the composition of the Project's Steering and Fundraising committees.
- Provide representation on the Fundraising and Steering Committees for the Project
- Assist with fundraising efforts and in identifying potential donors for the project.

MOU for Development of the Wolfeboro Bay Watershed Management Plan

- Provide input, through the Wolfeboro Waters Committee, to the Project's scope of work.
- Maintain ongoing communication with the LWA, providing any necessary information to ensure the successful completion of the project.
- Pay the Lake Winnepesaukee Association, upon invoice, contributing public funds held by Wolfeboro for the purposes of the Project and for tasks completed by the LWA in accordance with the scope of work.

SCOPE OF WORK

TBD

COMMENCEMENT/EXPIRATION/TERMINATION

This MOU shall be in effect for the period of time beginning with the date signed herein by the LWA and Wolfeboro, and it shall remain in effect through the anticipated completion date of the Project, December 31, 2024. The MOU may be extended or amended upon the written request of either the LWA or Wolfeboro, and the subsequent written concurrence of the other party. Either the LWA or Wolfeboro may terminate this MOU with a 60-day written notice.

PRINCIPAL CONTACTS

The principal contacts for this instrument are:

LWA	Wolfeboro
Patricia Tarpey	James Pineo
Executive Director	Town Manager
P.O. Box 1624	P.O. Box 629
Meredith, NH 03252	Wolfeboro, NH 03894
Phone: (603) 581-6632	Phone: (603)-569-8161
Email: ptarpey@winnepesaukee.org	E-Mail: townmanager@wolfeboronh.us

Agreed to by

For the Town of Wolfeboro

_____ Date _____

James Pineo, Town Manager

For the Lake Winnepesaukee Association

_____ Date _____

Patricia Tarpey, Executive Director

MEMO

To: Jim Pineo, Town Manager

From: Barry Muccio, Director of Operations, Electric Department

Subject: Cornelissen Electric Line Extension, North Line Road

Date: August 26, 2021

Daniel and Catherine Cornelissen have solicited the Wolfeboro Municipal Electric Department to construct a primary electric line extension on the Class 6 portion of North Line Road (see attached). This project will require the placement of three (3) 40-foot pole structures and corresponding anchors within a 510 foot section of the Class 6 designated, North Line Road right-of-way.

Electrical service will ultimately be provided to an existing camp structure located at 527 North Line Road which has been in Catherine Cornelissen's family since 1959. This existing camp appears to be in an original state of condition without utilities or plumbing infrastructure. The property is approximately .34 acres in size and is abutted entirely by property of the Wolfeboro Water Treatment facility. I have spoken with Public Works Director, Dave Ford as to any concerns he may have regarding proximity to the Upper Beach Pond water source and/or the Water Treatment Facility. Since this property is downgradient of these Town facilities, he is not overly concerned with any adverse impact.

The initial step in this process is to petition the Board of Selectman to authorize and license the new pole line and required trimming as defined in (RSA 231:161). Please find attached a copy of *Chapter 13-Section B*. of the New Hampshire Municipal Association's handbook on New Hampshire Law of local Highways which defines this process.

I have advised the Cornelissen's that if approval is granted, this line extension will not be considered an affirmation from the Town of Wolfeboro of any future improvements intended for the property.

I am formally requesting to be placed on the agenda of next Wednesday, September 1st 2021, Board of Selectmen Meeting for the purpose of presenting this project and obtaining the required vote of approval. Attached is the Work order #4801 as well as a Pole Location Plan for signatures of approval with sketch depicting the proposed pole layout.

cc: Board of Selectmen Attachments:
BAM8/26/21



ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT
DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS
Barry A. Muccio

Town of Wolfeboro

8/25/2021

Daniel & Catherine Cornelissen
8 Old Follett Road
Meredith, NH, 03253

Wolfeboro Tax Map Lot 52-4 Northline Road

I have received your request to extend power on the Class 6 Road portion of Northline Road in Wolfeboro beyond the Wolfeboro Water Treatment Facility. This extension is to render power from the existing pole #2E/54J and traverse 510 feet within the limits of the Class 6 Road right-of-way. A service pole will then be set approximately 125 feet in from the road adjacent to your driveway. Based upon your request, a meter/disconnect would be mounted to the pole as a means of providing power to the existing camp located on the property.

The process of constructing a powerline on a Class 6 Road requires the Selectmen's authorization to approve and license such poles and wires. Typical of any new electrical services an electrical permit and corresponding inspection for the permanent connection will be required by the Building & Codes Official. Please note that the construction of a powerline does not constitute an affirmation of approval for future improvements which may be planned for the property. I would recommend meeting with the Wolfeboro Building & Codes Department for a further understanding of the intended scope of your improvements.

I have requested to be placed on next Wednesday's agenda (9/1/21) of the Board of Selectmen's Meeting to request approval of the utility placement within the Class 6 right-of-way. As the property owner I would request your presence in order to address any further questions which may arise. This meeting will be held at the Wolfeboro Town Hall located at 84 South Main Street in the upstairs Great Hall commencing at 6:30 PM. Please feel free to contact me at (603) 569-6975 or via email: meddirector@wolfeboronh.us with any further questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Barry A. Muccio
Director of Operations
Wolfeboro Municipal Electric Department

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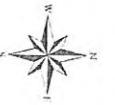
"A Hard Road to Travel"

New Hampshire Law of Local Highways, Streets and Trails
Chapter 13- Utility Lines and Other Private Enterprise Highway Uses
Page 198

I. UTILITY LINES ON CLASS VI HIGHWAYS.

The utility-licensing statutes on their face do apply to Class VI highways. And the case of *King v. Town of Lyme*, 126 N.H. 279 (1985) confirmed that a Class VI highway is a full public highway for *all* purposes except maintenance — *including* selectmen's authority to authorize poles and wires.

Although there's no case guidance here, I'd argue that the phrase "if the public good requires" (231:161) can probably be applied by the selectmen much differently on a Class VI highway than on a Class V highway, depending upon the type of policy the board has adopted under RSA 674:41, I(c) for *buildings* on that highway (as discussed in Ch. 8). For example if you had a policy prohibiting all buildings except agricultural sheds on a particular Class VI road, in my view you'd be justified in denying any new utility licenses inconsistent with that policy (unless vested rights were somehow involved).



August 11, 2021

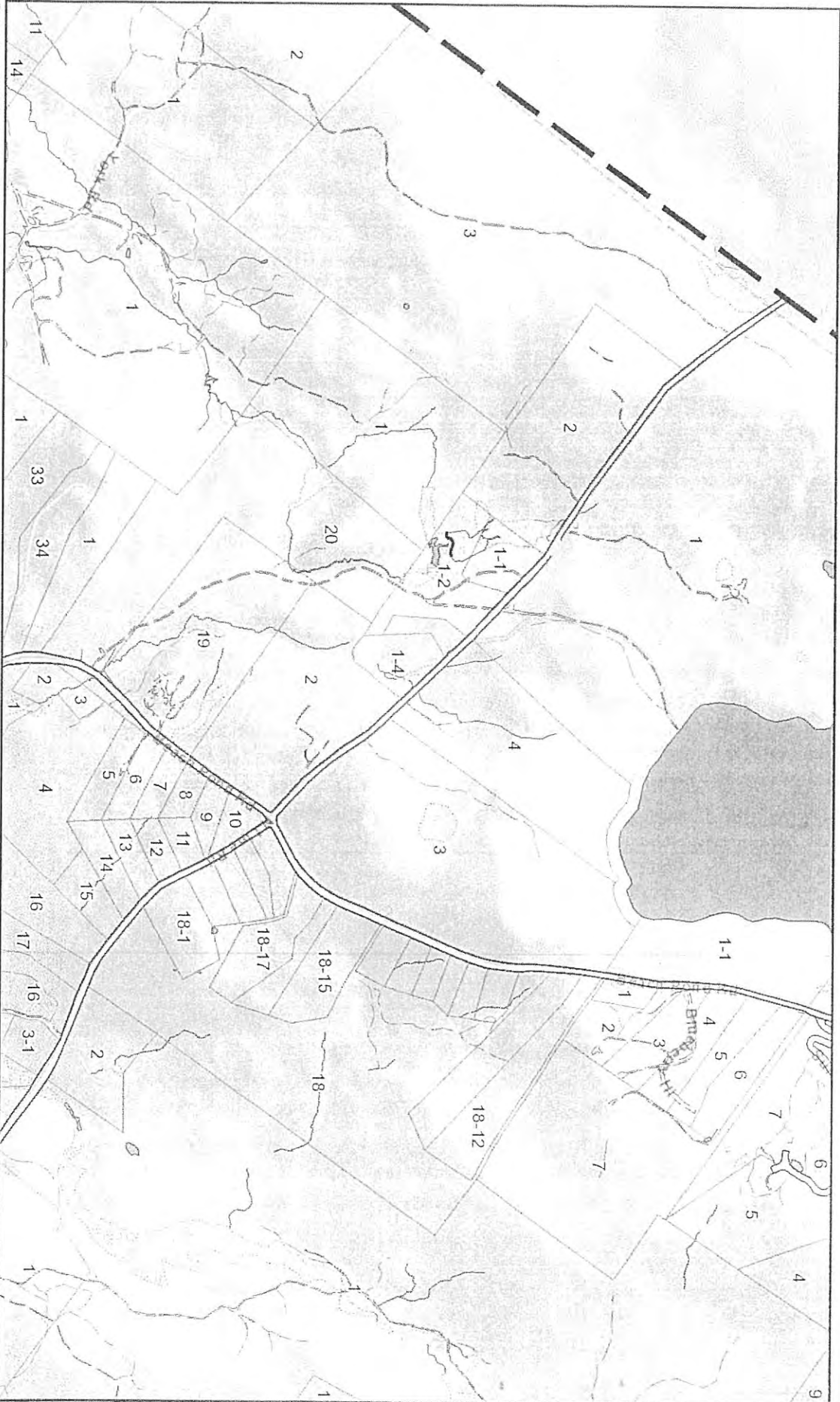
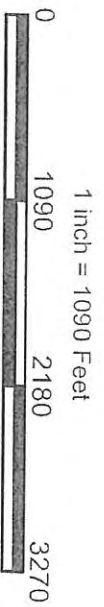
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Wolfeboro, NH



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POLE LOCATION PLAN

WOLFEBORO MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT and

Date: 8/26/21

Highway Division No:

Town: **Wolfeboro**

License No:

Street/Road: **North Line Road- Class VI**

W.O.#

4801

Town/State Approved By:

Date:

Signatures:

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DRAWN BY:

PHONE#

DATE: 8/26/21

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**AGREEMENT TO DISBAND THE INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT FOR THE
PROVISION OF AQUATIC NUISANCE PLANT CONTROL BETWEEN THE TOWNS
OF TUFTONBORO AND WOLFEBORO**

WHEREAS, the Towns of Tuftonboro and Wolfeboro entered into a certain Inter-municipal Agreement (per RSA 53-A) for the Provision of Aquatic Nuisance Plant Control ("Inter-municipal Agreement") on or about July 1, 2010;

WHEREAS, the Town of Moultonborough withdrew from said Inter-municipal Agreement by agreement of Tuftonboro, Moultonborough and Wolfeboro effective August 15, 2015;

WHEREAS, the Towns of Tuftonboro and Wolfeboro extended the 2010 Inter-municipal Agreement pursuant to Section 5 of said Inter-municipal Agreement until September 30, 2025.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Town of Tuftonboro and the Town of Wolfeboro, following votes of their respective governing bodies, stipulate and agree as follows:

1. The 2010 Inter-municipal Agreement shall be dissolved by both the Towns of Wolfeboro and Tuftonboro as voted at the Tuftonboro and Wolfeboro Joint Board meeting on July 29, 2021.
2. The Towns of Tuftonboro and Wolfeboro Milfoil Joint Board has been disbanded as voted at the Tuftonboro and Wolfeboro Joint Board meeting on July 29, 2021.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the governing body of each Town has executed this Agreement, by formal resolution of record hereto, on behalf of the Towns of Tuftonboro and Wolfeboro, New Hampshire.

TOWN OF WOLFEBORO

TOWN OF TUFTONBORO

By: _____
Linda Murray, Chairman of the
Board of Selectmen

By: _____
William Marcussen, Chairman of the
Board of Selectmen

Date: _____

Date: _____



AUG 23 2021

Lakes Region Model Railroad Museum
PO Box 713
Wolfeboro, NH 03894

Freight Shed Rehabilitation Project

Sunday August 22, 2021

Tenth Periodic Progress Report

The building painting has finally been completed, at least by CertaPro. The crew sent by CertaPro was not up to our standards, so some touch-up remains, but that will be fill-in work done by Brian Lombard and me.

Concrete bases for the handicap ramp foundation have been delivered. Lumber for the handicap ramp has been ordered and we are ready to start building the handicap ramp and the loading dock.

Gutters were installed on the east side to allow us to proceed with restoring the loading dock. LCHIP requires these to be half-round instead of the modern "K" profile, but we could not find an installer able to use these during the next 2 months, so we used the modern style as a temporary fix. These will be replaced with the half round style when available.

We met with Dave Ford and crew, the condo people and Brian Deshaies and discussed issues pertaining to the rebuild of Railroad Ave.

We have a pending request to LCHIP to allow us to install a raised floor throughout the building, but this may be delayed until after the Stewardship Agreement is executed. LCHIP is reviewing a draft of this agreement and, as soon as they approve, a copy will be sent to you for review.

Thank you.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John Simms". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Submitted for LRMRM
John Simms, President

**PERFORMANCE EVALUATION
TOWN MANAGER**

TYPE OF EVALUATION

- € End of Probationary Period
€ Annual Evaluation
€ Progress Evaluation

EVALUATION PERIOD:

From: To:

Length of time in Current Position:

Selectperson: Town Manager:

Evaluations: (EE) Exceeds Expectations (DN) Does not meet expectations
(ME) Meets Expectations (NA) Not applicable
(MS) Meets Some Expectations

Note: If evaluation is rated (MS) or (DN) comment section must be completed.

1. QUANTITY OF WORK	<u>EE</u>	<u>ME</u>	<u>MS</u>	<u>DN</u>	<u>NA</u>
Completes necessary amount of work required for the position in a timely manner	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Informs Selectmen of problems or areas of concern so that the Board hears them from Town Manager not other sources	€	<input type="checkbox"/>	€	€	€
Meets performance goals set by Selectmen	€	<input type="checkbox"/>	€	€	€

Comments: _____

2. QUALITY OF WORK	<u>EE</u>	<u>ME</u>	<u>MS</u>	<u>DN</u>	<u>NA</u>
Work is done neatly and in an orderly fashion	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Produces thorough and accurate work	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Follows instructions, performs	€	<input type="checkbox"/>	€	€	€

assigned tasks, meets schedules

Comments: _____

3. **COMMUNICATIONS/
INTERPERSONAL RELATIONS**

	<u>EE</u>	<u>ME</u>	<u>MS</u>	<u>DN</u>	<u>NA</u>
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Facilitates good communications between department heads and staff	€	<input type="checkbox"/>	€	€	€
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Always interacts with co-workers and public in a courteous, professional and helpful manner	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Responds to requests, e-mails and telephone calls promptly from the employees, Selectmen and the public	€	<input type="checkbox"/>	€	€	€
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Listens carefully to suggestions and information from Selectmen	€	<input type="checkbox"/>	€	€	€
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Supports open communication with our community	€	<input type="checkbox"/>	€	€	€
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Displays high level of integrity, credibility and professionalism when dealing with public	€	<input type="checkbox"/>	€	€	€
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Confronts changing circumstances with professional and problem solving attitudes	€	<input type="checkbox"/>	€	€	€
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Comments: _____

4. **COOPERATION**

	<u>EE</u>	<u>ME</u>	<u>MS</u>	<u>DN</u>	<u>NA</u>
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Seeks and volunteers information and advice from staff and brings areas	€	<input type="checkbox"/>	€	€	€
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of concerns back to the Selectmen

Willingly supports and accepts town policy and procedural changes	€	<input type="checkbox"/>	€	€	€
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Adapts to new methods or tasks in a cooperative manner	€	<input type="checkbox"/>	€	€	€
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Volunteers assistance and support to Department Heads and Selectmen	€	<input type="checkbox"/>	€	€	€
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Comments: _____

5. INITIATIVE/WORK HABITS

	<u>EE</u>	<u>ME</u>	<u>MS</u>	<u>DN</u>	<u>NA</u>
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Attempts to find solutions to problems	€	<input type="checkbox"/>	€	€	€
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Seeks guidance when necessary	€	<input type="checkbox"/>	€	€	€
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Plans and organizes work and establishes priorities	€	<input type="checkbox"/>	€	€	€
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Works well under pressure	€	<input type="checkbox"/>	€	€	€
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Comments: _____

6. JOB KNOWLEDGE

	<u>EE</u>	<u>ME</u>	<u>MS</u>	<u>DN</u>	<u>NA</u>
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Keeps current on changes in job related equipment and/or technology by reading professional magazine, attending conferences, workshops etc.	€	<input type="checkbox"/>	€	€	€
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Applies job knowledge and skills to effectively perform current assignment	€	<input type="checkbox"/>	€	€	€
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Keeps current on changes in laws, procedures and regulations	€	<input type="checkbox"/>	€	€	€
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Comments: _____

7. SAFETY	<u>EE</u>	<u>ME</u>	<u>MS</u>	<u>DN</u>	<u>NA</u>
Promotes a safe work and healthy environment	€	<input type="checkbox"/>	€	€	€
Demonstrates compliance with rules/ regulations regarding equipment and use	€	<input type="checkbox"/>	€	€	€

8. DECISION MAKING	<u>EE</u>	<u>ME</u>	<u>MS</u>	<u>DN</u>	<u>NA</u>
Recognizes and addresses problems promptly	€	<input type="checkbox"/>	€	€	€
Gathers facts and information carefully before making decisions	€	<input type="checkbox"/>	€	€	€
Seeks advice as necessary from town attorney, selectmen, and outside sources	€	<input type="checkbox"/>	€	€	€
Makes decisions in a timely manner	€	<input type="checkbox"/>	€	€	€

Comments: _____

9. MANAGEMENT OF EMPLOYEES	<u>EE</u>	<u>ME</u>	<u>MS</u>	<u>DN</u>	<u>NA</u>
Leads by example; displays leadership	€	<input type="checkbox"/>	€	€	€

skills

Evaluates employees annually	€	<input type="checkbox"/>	€	€	€
Reviews Departments Heads' evaluations of all employees to ensure that all town employees have received an annual evaluation	€	<input type="checkbox"/>	€	€	€
Establishes and clearly communicates performance objectives; directly and indirectly maintains personnel files on all employees	€	<input type="checkbox"/>	€	€	€
Plans and organizes workload in a manner that makes best use of resources	€	<input type="checkbox"/>	€	€	€
Develops procedures to improve efficiency within area of responsibility	€	<input type="checkbox"/>	€	€	€
Initiates action to improve performance of subordinate	€	<input type="checkbox"/>	€	€	€
Creates a positive work environment, contributes to team productivity and team problem solving situations	€	<input type="checkbox"/>	€	€	€
Develops effective evaluation tools	€	<input type="checkbox"/>	€	€	€
Schedules regular staff meetings	€	<input type="checkbox"/>	€	€	€
Maintain an effective and professional organizational climate	€	<input type="checkbox"/>	€	€	€

Comments:

10. Budget Preparation and Administration

	<u>EE</u>	<u>ME</u>	<u>MS</u>	<u>DN</u>	<u>NA</u>
Suggests effective strategies to maintain town's fiscal health	€	<input type="checkbox"/>	€	€	€

Effectively monitors budget	€	<input type="checkbox"/>	€	€	€
Maintains budget controls resulting in adequate annual fund balance	€	<input type="checkbox"/>	€	€	€
Creatively develops budgetary alternatives/options	€	<input type="checkbox"/>	€	€	€

Comments: _____

11.Overall Performance Summary: Brief narrative that supports the above ratings and examples, and summarizes major strengths and weakness of the Town Manager.

12.Program for Future Development: List specific goals you think would be helpful to the Town Manager during the next evaluation period.

Evaluation performed by:

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I confirm the receipt and discussion of this evaluation, which took place on _____ with _____ in attendance. My signature acknowledges neither acceptance or disagreement but only the receipt and discussion. If I fail to present either acceptance or disagreement in writing to the Board of Selectmen by December _____, 2020 then I realize that my ability to disagree is forfeited and that I have accepted this evaluation as received and discussed.

James S. Pineo

Date

Witness Signature

Date

2022 Proposed BOS Budget review Schedule:

September 22, 2021 Wen 6:00 PM Town Manager
6:30 PM Agency Discussion

October 6, 2021 Regular Board Meeting

October 7, 2021 Thurs 6:00 PM Budget

October 11 Columbus Day

October 12, 2021 Tuesday 6:00 PM Budget

October 14, 2021 Thurs 6:00 PM Budget

October 18, 2021 Monday 6:00 PM Budget

October 20, 2021 Regular Board Meeting

October 25, 2021 Monday 6:00 PM Budget

October 27, 2021 Wen 6:00 PM Budget

October 28, 2021 Thurs 6:00 PM Budget

Wolfeboro Waters 2020 Assessment Summa

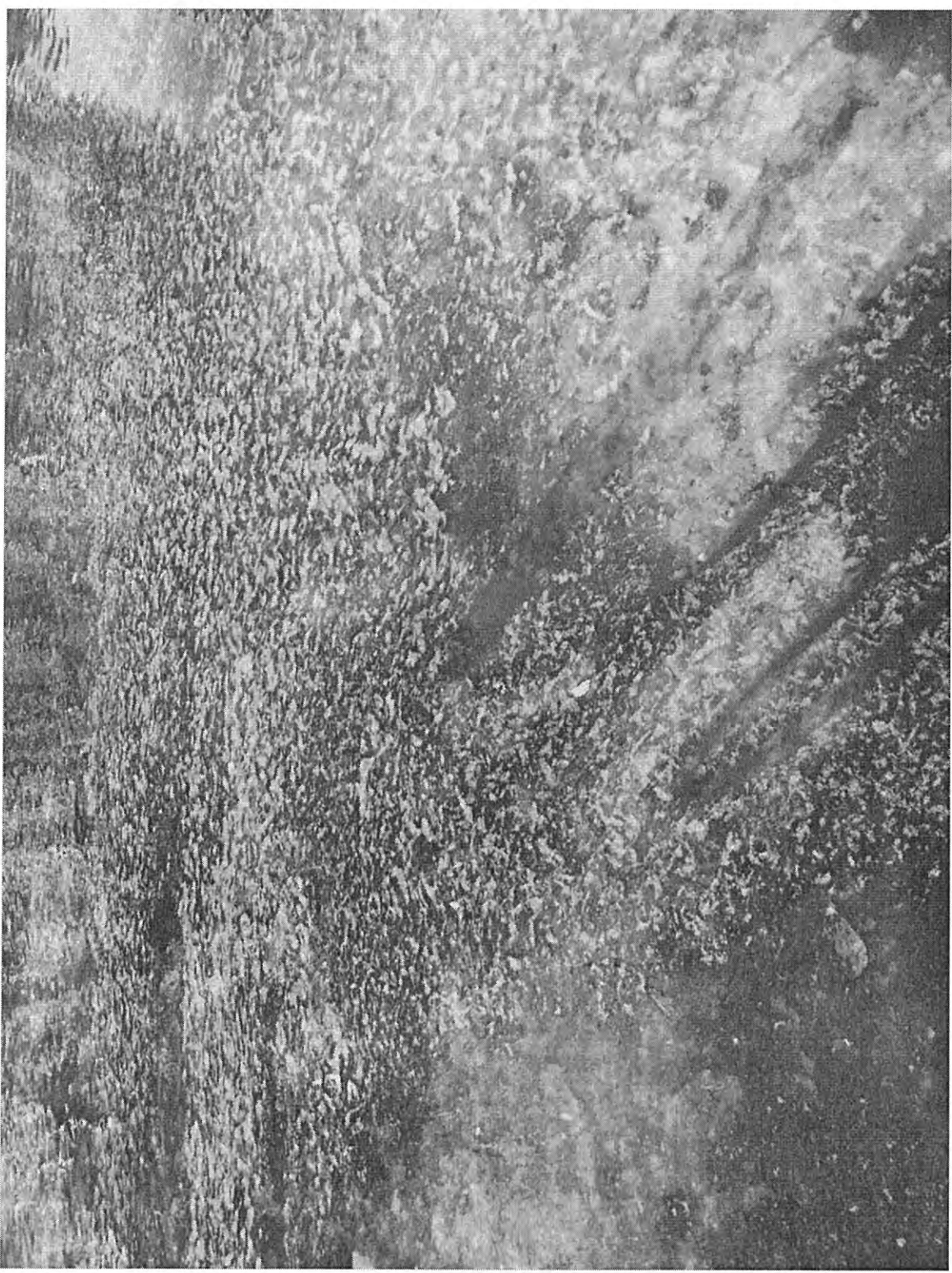
**Wolfeboro Board of Selectmen Meeting
September 1, 2021**

**Warren R. Muir, Ph.D.
Chair, Wolfeboro Waters Assessment Subcommitt**

Up Until August 2018



- Local lake association volunteers participated with UNH and/or NHF to make measurements and to collect samples from deep sites during summer months for analysis.
- There were no cyanobacteria blooms in Lake Wentworth, Crescent Pond and all these lakes were classified as having good water quality with improvements toward goals in their watershed management plans.
- While sources of nutrient runoff were being greatly reduced into Lake Umbagog, nutrients already in the lake presented a longer-term threat of cyanobacteria blooms. NHDES issued a cyanobacteria advisory for Lake Umbagog on August 7, 2019.
- However, increased biological growth over the years was being observed.



Gloeotrichia Bloom in Winter Harbor - Sept 5, 2018

In Response to the Bloom

- The bloom was a surprise. Even ongoing measures taken during the bloom indicated very good water quality.
- As a result of this bloom and others, NHDES now considers Lake Winnepesaukee water quality, generally good, but impaired.
- It took several months to learn that the cyanobacteria bloom in Winter Harbor released two different toxins, but at concentrations below levels of human health concern.
- The Board of Selectmen established an ad-hoc Cyanobacteria Response Force in Dec 2018 consisting of several town officials, staff and citizen volunteers and in 2020 replaced it with the all-volunteer Wolfeboro Waters standing town committee.

What We are Trying to Answer

- What physical, biological and chemical conditions need to be and/or observations made to assess the risks of cyanobacteria and how do they vary among our lakes and along our shorelines?
- Which cyanobacteria pose threats when and where? What cy should we be prepared to measure in the event of a bloom?
- What information can we collect to help inform priorities for taxpayer-funded activities and for private actions to preserve quality of our lakes and to be prepared for future cyanobacteria blooms?
- How can people be informed when and how to act in the event

Underlying Our Efforts

- Many people who care about the quality of Wolfeboro Waters, including local lake association members and numerous other local skilled volunteers involved with Wolfeboro Waters.
- Wolfeboro Waters acquired valuable lab equipment and supplies, considerably more than is owned by or loaned to local volunteers.
- Invaluable expertise, training, cyanobacteria-specific analytical support, specialized analyses, provided by Bigelow Laboratory for Ocean Sciences, several of its scientists in exchange for a token \$5K/yr grant.
- Collaboration of NHDES and UNH scientists with our efforts.
- A network developed of other experts and organizations to answer questions and help us keep abreast of new information (e.g., US EPA, the Cyanobacteria Monitoring Collaborative, professional groups and their meetings, water associations, and scientific publications).

During 2019, the Task Force

- Trained 80 people in cyanobacteria identification and established protocol for reporting suspected blooms and more volunteers expanding expanded the number, locations, and months of water sampling, measurement, and analysis.
- Identified laboratories able to get us cyanotoxin test results on any future local blooms.
- Found evidence that storm water runoff is the leading source of added nutrients to Winter Harbor (and likely all our lakes) and more enter the lake in the spring and fall than in the summer
- Provided data to the ongoing watershed management plan that included Winter Harbor.

During 2020, Wolfeboro Waters

- Expanded the Assessment Subcommittee and collaborations with Bigelow Laboratory senior scientists, NHDES, and others
- Established phosphorus as a key limiting nutrient.
- With the assistance of Bigelow Lab senior scientists:
 - Studied phosphorus and organic concentrations in Winter Harbor seagrass because *Gloeoetrichia* lives much of the year on the bottom and to get baseline to assess impacts of 2020 BMP work.
 - Found large concentrations of phosphorus in three different forms in sediment.

During 2020 (continued)

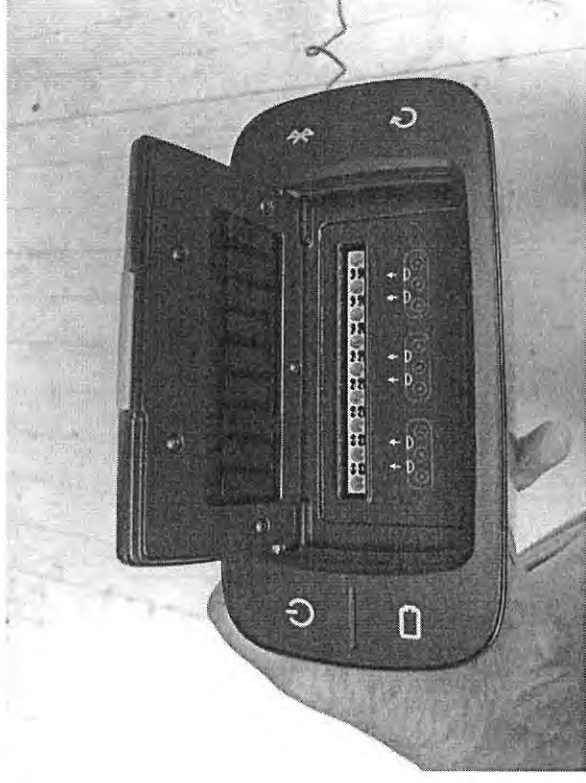
- Using drone and GoPro photos and direct observations, witnessed increased biological growth, including muck, slime, green algae, pl “cotton candy-like” metaphyton.



- There were 25 NHDES Cyanobacteria Advisories elsewhere in 2020, none warranted in Wolfeboro Waters.

During 2020 (continued)

- With the assistance of senior scientists at Bigelow Lab and NH
- Found several different types of cyanobacteria in Winter Harbor that release cyanotoxins,.
- Identified five to six very different ones whose concentrations would to track.
- Purchased a portable PCR-Thermocycler to be able to monitor such concentrations in real time.



So far in 2021, Wolfeboro Waters

- Expanded sampling to include Sargents Pond
- In conjunction with the local lake associations, is seeking to collect analyze representative biological and sediment samples across our comparison.
- With Bigelow Lab, is seeking to analyze the concentrations of different forms of phosphorus and nitrogen in our water and sediment in conjunction with those of five or six specific cyanobacteria:
 - *Gloeotrichia* (the cyanobacteria that bloomed in Winter Harbor in 2018)
 - *Planktothrix/Oscillatoria* (two names for a cyanobacteria that grows with light and can form blooms several feet below the water, as has occurred in Lake)
 - *Microcystis* (a commonly found cyanobacteria in New England freshwater)
 - *Dolichospermum/Anabaena* (two very closely related cyanobacteria that observed to bloom in early summer in Winter Harbor)
 - One or two picocyanobacteria (*Cyanobium*, *Synechococcus*, and/or *Aphanizomenon*)

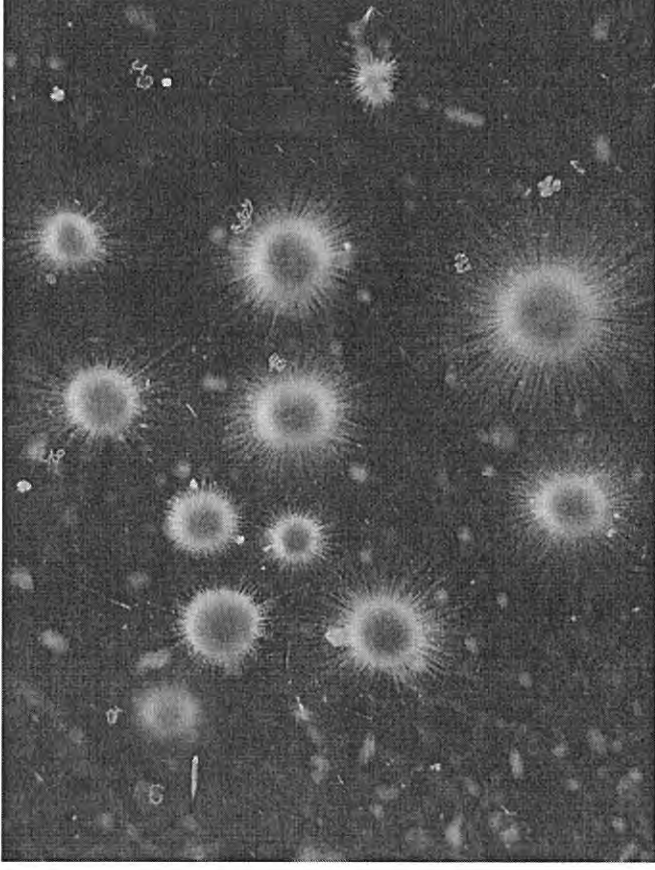
So far, in 2021

- Mirror Lake had blooms of *Dolichospermum* along several shores in a NHDES Advisory that was in effect August 12 to August 21.

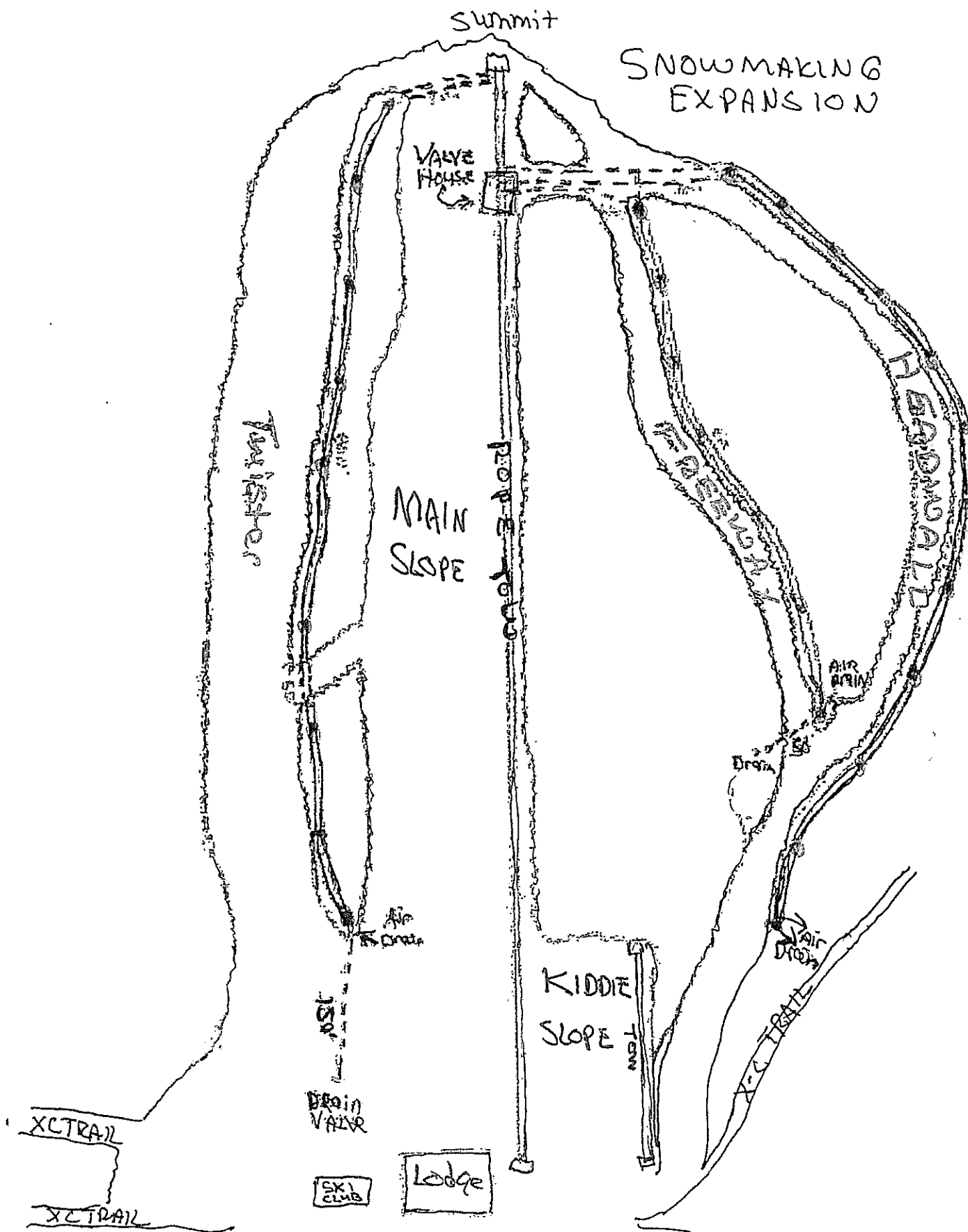


So far, in 2021 (continued)

- *Gloeotrichia* has been observed widely in Lakes Winnepesaukee and Wentworth (picture) in significant, but not bloom, concentrations issued a warning but not an advisory.



- However, the risks of cyanobacteria blooms this season are not over.



Amy Capone-Muccio

From: elizabeth shannon <jshannonclan@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, August 23, 2021 2:42 PM
To: Amy Capone-Muccio
Subject: Yellow Ribbons
Attachments: IMG_7173.JPG

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Hello Amy ,

Thank you for taking the time to speak with me today. As we discussed , I would like to tie a few yellow ribbons on trees on main street. Yellow ribbons have long been used as a symbol of remembrance and support for civilian hostages , diplomats and military service members abroad. I think this simple gesture would be an appropriate display of Wolfeboro's patriotism , care for our community and civic spirit.

As you are aware, the situation in Afghanistan has lead to many Americans who are awaiting evacuation from that country. There is a family from Manchester trapped in Afghanistan and several students from Southern New Hampshire University who are also awaiting safe return to New Hampshire.

We also have several Veterans in our local communities who served in The War on Terrorism and this gesture may show them our appreciation for their service as well .

The ribbons would not be permanatley attached and I will keep an eye on them to make sure they don't blow away or become unsightly. Some of the areas include a tree in front of Clark Museum , two in front of the Town Hall. A tree in Cate Park , one on the corner of mill street and one in front of the Cemetery.

My son Ryan Shannon and State Representative Brodie Deshaia have expressed a desire to help accomplish the placing of the ribbons. Maybe your daughters Girl Scout Troop would like to put them in front of the Town Hall if you would like to join us . But at any rate , it would still be wonderful to see the ribbons displayed .

Please see the attached picture as an example of what I am proposing. I am also including two links that describe the history of the yellow ribbon as a symbol of hope of safe return home.

Thank you for your consideration , and I appreciate you passing along this request to the Town Manager as his Secretary. I would respectfully ask for a reply in a timely fashion as I need to purchase and make the bows.

Warm Wishes ,
Elizabeth Shannon
693-273-8614

[How the Yellow Ribbon Became a National Folk Symbol \(The American Folklife Center, Library of Congress\)](#)

August 30, 2021

Wolfeboro Board of Selectmen
Town of Wolfeboro
84 South Main Street
Wolfeboro, NH 03894

Dear Wolfeboro Board of Selectmen:

I am writing to give my enthusiastic support for Mrs. Elizabeth Shannon's current initiative. Mrs. Shannon would like to place gold bows in some of Wolfeboro's common spaces. At its broadest, the display of yellow ribbons or bows signifies home front support for American military personnel; at its most personal, it represents the hope that a loved one participating in a distant conflict or posted abroad will return safe and sound. I would like to encourage you to support her mission.

Encouraging friends, neighbors, businesses, and our local government to recognize the atrocities in Afghanistan and our lost service members is a noble cause. This past week, 13 members of our armed forces were killed in a terror attack while evacuating other U.S. service members, U.S. citizens, diplomats, NATO allies, Afghan allies, and refugees. This is not to mention the over 2,400 American soldiers who made the ultimate sacrifice fighting terrorism abroad so we would never experience it at home. Our community should embrace Mrs. Shannon's initiative with open arms. We should help, or at the very least, not hinder her efforts.

Under NH RSA Chapter 41, our Board of Selectmen has the authority to regulate town roads and commons. As previously mentioned, Mrs. Shannon would like to place these bows in public spaces, and I hope the Board allows her and other veterans to continue. These gold bows will not hinder people's sight, movements, or safety. They are not unsightly either. They are quite beautiful and would temporally enhance the character of our town.

In my earnest opinion, these bows would reflect very positively upon our community. It would allow our visitors and residents to know that we care about our military personnel and veterans. It would also show everyone that we care about significant events outside of our community, build community locally, and foster national community. Additionally, these bows will reflect upon the best aspects of our town.

I appreciate your consideration. If you would like to contact me, my email is brodieforNH@gmail.com, and my phone number is (603) 387-4210.

Best,
Rep. Brodie Deshaies
Carroll 6 - Wolfeboro, NH

CC Wolfeboro Town Manager, Chief James F. Pineo