Wolfeboro Board of Selectmen Public Meeting Minutes-Unapproved September 18, 2019

Members present: Chairman Dave Senecal, Brad Harriman, Dave Bowers, Paul O'Brien and

Linda Murray

Staff present: Acting Town Manager Matt Sullivan, Parks and Recreation Director

Christine Collins, Welfare Director Amy Capone-Muccio, Chief Dean Rondeau and Recording Secretary Michele Chamberlain

Chairman Senecal opened the meeting at 6:30 PM.

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

Mr. Sullivan stated a non-public session is needed to discuss real estate.

Consideration of Minutes

Chairman Senecal asked for approval from the Board of the September 4, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes.

It was moved by Brad Harriman and seconded by Paul O'Brien to accept the minutes of September 4, 2019 as written. Members voted and being none opposed, the motion passed.

Public Hearings

A. Temporary Event Permit

i. The NH Lakes Region Pickleball Club to host the 6th annual Pickleball Tournament at Foss Field September 11 -13, 2020 from 7:00 AM to 6:00 PM. Permit # 1951

Chairman Senecal opened the public hearing.

A representative was not present.

Chairman Senecal closed the public hearing.

Chairman Senecal asked for a motion.

It was moved by Dave Bowers and seconded by Linda Murray to approve The NH Lakes Region Pickleball Club to host the 6th annual Pickleball Tournament at Foss Field September 11-13, 2020 from 7:00 AM to 6:00 PM. Members voted and being none opposed, the motion passed.

Chairman Senecal stated we are going to do the Agency Requests next.

Agency Requests for 2020 Proposed Budget

i. VNH Hospice

David Emberley, CFO of Central New Hampshire VNA & Hospice, addressed the Board. He stated Central New Hampshire VNA & Hospice is a non-profit agency that provides in-home health care to residents of Southern Carroll and Belknap Counties. For the last 30 years we have rented a location a Huggins Hospital but this year we have rented a new location in Wolfeboro at 645 South Main Street. We hope to move into the new location by the end of December. We are requesting level funding of \$22,000.00 to support our three different services offered to residents. These programs are 1) Home Healthcare, 2) Hospice and 3) Pediatric nursing services through Home Visiting NH and Healthy Families America. During our last fiscal year, the agency provided 6, 813 visits to residents of Wolfeboro, which represents 44% increase in the volume of service to Wolfeboro residents. We saw an increase of 17% in the number of residents for which we provided services. Wolfeboro residents make up 32% of the patient volume served out of the agency's Carroll County office. We thank the Town of Wolfeboro for their continued support.

Chairman Senecal stated there will be no decisions made tonight. We are just listening and then information will be provided to the Budget Committee as well. It will be decided when the budgets are put together at a later time.

Mr. O'Brien stated last year we asked the agencies to provide a balance sheet. We forget to remind everyone of this when we sent out letters but would like the information going forward. This is a difficult financial year for all of us and we appreciate everything the agencies do for the Town.

Mr. Emberley stated he had a copy of his audit financial sheet that he could give to the Board.

Mr. O'Brien stated he could leave the information with Ms. Capone-Muccio.

ii. Meals on Wheels

Cheryl Dempsey, Representative of Meals on Wheels, addressed the Board. She stated the program represents residents from three towns (Wolfeboro, Brookfield and Tuftonboro). We deliver meals every day except when it is snowing. We do a wellness check and we deliver blizzard bags if we can predict the weather ahead of time. We are requesting level funding of \$7,500.00.

Ms. Murray stated she was glad to see that they were in the black this year.

Mr. Senecal questioned how many years they have been doing the program.

Ms. Dempsey stated since the 1970's.

Mr. Senecal stated it has been a lot of years.

iii. Wolfeboro Area Children's Center

Terri Ann Cox, Executive Director of the Wolfeboro Area Children's Center, addressed the Board. She stated we provide comprehensive childcare and early education to children ages 6 weeks to 12 years of age. We are celebrating our 45th anniversary. We opened in 1974 for 30 children at the American Legion. We are currently located on South Main Street and have currently 175 children. We believe that each and every family deserves support in providing the needs of clothing, food and shelter. Each child deserves a safe and nurturing environment and society is stronger when children succeed. We are requesting level funding of \$10,000.00. We thank the Town of Wolfeboro for their continued support. Parent fees only cover 48% of our costs so we rely heavily on donations, grants, federal money, state money, and local money to fill the gap. The Board of Directors will continue to look for ways to fundraise. We are expecting to support Wolfeboro families in the amount of \$36,000.00 in 2020. Last year 33 families (46 children) were beneficiaries of this assistance. We have provided our mission statement, statement of current year and our income/revenue report. We have been a non-profit since 1974.

iv. Community Action

No representative present

Ms. Murray suggested sending out a letter for them to come to another meeting.

v. LIFE Ministries

Mike Turner, Vice President of Life Ministries, addressed the Board. He stated we are a 501 (3) C profit organization. We were established 34 years ago by seven local churches. We are governed by a Board of Directors and organized and operated by 85 volunteers. Our mission is to supply food to qualified people in need. We provide 10 meals per week for each person that we serve. Last year we distributed over 194,000 meals which was a 38% increase from 2018. Wolfeboro has 38% of our total clients and currently we distribute food to 532 Wolfeboro residents. This is an increase of 8%. Our food budget for this fiscal year is \$164,000.00. We are fortunate to receive donations from individuals, foundations and organizations. We have different fundraisers throughout the year and receive reduced food costs from the Manchester Food Bank on a weekly basis. We are requesting level funding of \$15,000.00. This is only 15% of our total budget. We will provide our budget sheet.

Ms. Murray stated the Town of Wolfeboro is very blessed for all our volunteers and she thanked all of them.

vi. Starting Point

Deborah Weinstien, Executive Director of Starting Point, addressed the Board. She stated Starting Point serves victims of domestic assault and sexual violence. We provide a 24/7 crisis support line and community service at Huggins Hospital. We are staffed five days a week. We responsed to Ossipee Court with restraining orders, provide peer led support groups, case management and social service advocacy. We work with the local police department with the program called LAP to make sure people are safe. We have volunteers but have two staff members that support these volunteers. We are asking for an increase of funding in the amount of \$4,227.00. This is an increase of \$538.00 from last year. We are asking for an increase from all of our towns. We are trying to offer a greater presence in the county, offer preventive programs within the school and are starting a girl's group.

vii. Kingswood Youth Center

Zachary Porter, Interim Director of the Kingswood Youth Center, addressed the Board. We provide out of school programs for high school and middle school students in the Governor Wentworth Regional School District. We are requesting level funding of \$5,000.00. Next month our agency will celebrate our 10 year anniversary of our building on Center Street. We will hold a celebration on October 16^{th.} In May of 2020 we will celebrate our 20th year anniversary as an organization. We offer an afterschool program Monday – Thursday. We are focusing on teambuilding, leadership, life skills, substance abuse prevention, outdoor recreation and general peer engagement in a safe and positive environment in our program. We offer a BTAS (Beyond the afterschool program) which meets on weekends, school vacations and one day a week we stay last and provide dinner. We offer a summer program and a 121 Club, a mentoring program. During the 2018-2019 school year, 29% of the total membership (274) resided in Wolfeboro. We received funding from the Town of Ossipee, Tuftonboro, and New Durham.

Ms. Murray stated they have grown tremendously over the last 20 years. It has been a great support to our community and the youth of community.

Mr. Porter thanked them for their support.

Mr. O'Brien questioned if he supported seniors.

Mr. Porter stated yes. We are working on having more community action. We offer support during First Night and Trick or Treating in Wolfeboro. We have done some projects with Sugar Hill such as painting bird houses and are hoping to do more of these programs.

Mr. O'Brien suggested having some of his students work with seniors in helping them understand technology better. He would like to help bridge the gap. He would like to discuss this with Mr. Porter if he was agreeable.

Mr. Porter stated he looked forward to talking to him.

viii. Northern Human Services

Mr. Sullivan stated we will ask them to join us on October 9th.

ix. Senior Meals

Amy Capone-Muccio, Welfare Director and President of Senior Meals, addressed the Board. She stated we are requesting level funding of \$25,000.00. We run a very tight budget and primarily it is funded by the Town of Wolfeboro. We receive a small percentage from the Town of Tuftonboro. We receive a daily meal donation from participants and some donations from the general public. We are located at All Saints Church. We became a non-profit organization in 2010. One of the reasons we need to use the All Saints Church facility is that it has a commercial kitchen. We are very fortunate to use this location. They do not charge us any rent and it is a costly gift. We do not have a coordinator and it has been a difficult year but we will continue to offer meals to participants.

x. Caregivers of Wolfeboro Area

Betty Coffee, Volunteer of Caregivers of Wolfeboro Area, addressed the Board. She stated we have been around since 1987. We offer transportation to medical appointments (local and out of town) at no cost to participants. Our organization has no paid staff at all. We are run by all volunteers. Approximately 95% of our budget goes to reimburse drivers. We provide mileage reimbursement to volunteers at 45 cents per mile for trips over 50 miles. We have reimbursed Wolfeboro drivers \$6,735.00 as of August 31, 2019 and we predicate that the amount for the year will be \$10,000.00. We are requesting an increase of \$500.00 for a total funding of \$4,500.00. We are seeing an increase in the need for these services.

xi. Dinner Bell

Donna Young, Representative of the Dinner Bell, addressed the Board. She thanked them for their continued support. We provide a weekly meal on Thursday at 5:00 PM in the parish hall of All Saints Church. It is a wonderful time of gathering and conversation and has strong history here since starting in 2008. We are requesting level funding of \$5,000.00.

Ms. Murray stated she wanted to thank All Saints Church. They do a lot for the Town and we are very lucky to have them.

xii. CASA

Julie Afluer, Representative of CASA of NH, addressed the Board. She stated we are a state wide organization and we are in our 30th year this year. We serve children who are victims of abuse and neglect. We have volunteers throughout the state that speak to those children within our family courts. Last year we have 618 volunteers throughout the state who served 1,533 children. We are asking for level funding of \$1,000.00. We have estimated that we have saved the state \$5.3 million dollars by using our volunteers instead of adlitem in lights that charge \$60 an hour plus mileage. Our volunteers use their own cars and have assisted children in over 95,000 hours of volunteered time.

xiii. Carroll County Transit

Brenda Gagne, Director of Transportation of Tri County Community Action Program, addressed the Board. She stated we are asking for level funding of \$4,000.00. Last year we provided 1,461 trips for 88 unduplicated residents of Wolfeboro. We are transporting people to the Adult Care Center at Huggins Hospital and the Adult Learning Center in Tamworth. Many of the trips we provide are for the elderly, disabled and low income residents who are unable to provide their own means of transportation. We are hoping to get new buses for next year.

xiv. 68 Hours of Hunger

Susan Weeks, Volunteer for 68 Hours of Hunger, addressed the Board. She stated we are about to enter our 6th year. We have a budget of approximately \$67,000.00. We received \$3,000.00 from Wolfeboro, \$3,000.00 from Ossipee and \$2,000.00 from Tuftonboro. The rest of our funding comes from donations from private citizens. We have several fundraisers we do each year. It is a constant struggle. We serviced 130 children last years. We provided meals for these children for

the weekend. We are requesting level funding of \$3,000.00 although more would be wonderful. The cost of the food has raised from \$10 a bag to \$12.

Ms. Murray stated there is not a budget connected to this application. Last year we received a budget sheet. She asked if they could provide this information. Ms. Murray stated it is a great organization and it has helped a lot of families.

Ms. Weeks stated we have spent more money than we have taken in this year. We are living off of previous years. It is a struggle. She will see if they can provide the information.

Ms. Murray stated she can show her the information that was provided last year.

xv. Children Unlimited Inc.

Representative was not present.

Chairman Senecal thanked all the representatives from the agencies for their time and service.

Bulk Vote

A. Weekly Manifest

- i. September 6, 2019
- ii. September 13, 2019

B. Intent to Cut Wood or Timber

i. Stoddard Rd

Tax Map 59 Lot 5

C. Property Tax Credit/Exemption

i. 3 Santis Way

Tax Map 177 Lot 10-137

D. Property Tax Abatements/Refunds Approvals:

i. Abatement/Refund #2 (2019)

Tax Map 215 Lot 54

Denial:

i. Abatement/Refund #31 (2018)

Tax Map 260 Lot 10

E. MS-1 2019 Summary Inventory of Valuation

- F. MS-1V 2019 Summary Inventory of Valuation Lower Beech Pond
- G. Warrant for Stonehenge Road Betterment Assessments \$11,569.47

H. Warrant for Westwood Drive & Tennis Court Lane – Betterment Assessments - \$26,754.25

Ms. Murray asked to remove Abatement #31 Tax Map 260, Lot 10 for the Board to vote separately.

It was moved by Linda Murray and seconded by Brad Harriman to remove Abatement #31 Tax Map 260, Lot 10 from the Bulk Vote. Members voted and being none opposed, the motion passed.

It was moved by Paul O'Brien and seconded by Brad Harriman to accept the Bulk Vote items A through H except Abatement #31 Tax Map 260, Lot 10. Members voted and being none opposed, the motion passed.

Mr. Sullivan stated Town Counsel would like the Board to review each of the items addressed in the Mear's letter.

Mr. Sullivan read the following:

The Owner's Arguments

The owner's arguments in support of an abatement of the 2018 betterment assessment are set forth in his letter to the Selectmen dated 10/25/18. The following is a brief summary of his arguments and a brief response to each of them:

- The owner points out that some of the lots are improved and some are not. However, the potential use of each lot, the highest and best use of each lot, is development with a single-family residence.
- The owner points out that some of the lots are used year-round and some are not. Again, it could be reasonable for the Board to look at the potential use of each property (year-round), not the actual use at the present time.
- The owner also argues that Lot 10 is different because it has access via its 9 Oakwood Road property, which differentiates it from all the other Stonehenge Road lots. However, Stonehenge Road was laid out, and was reconstructed, with the idea of providing benefit to all 11 lots. To my knowledge, the owner of Lot 10 (and the 9 Oakwood Road property) has not developed his properties in such a manner that Lot 10 is functionally a part of the 9 Oakwood Road property. Also, the owner of Lot 10 has not disclaimed the right to use Stonehenge Road as access, or disclaimed the right to develop Lot 10 separately from the 9 Oakwood Road property.
- The owner of Lot 10 points out that not all Stonehenge Road lot owners signed the petition to lay out; and that it was not expected that all lot owners would pay the cost of such laying out. However, once a layout is effected and the decision is made to lay it out subject to betterment assessments, the command of RSA 231:29 is clear: the cost must be assessed against the owners of property abutting or served by the road in a reasonable manner that is proportional to the benefits accruing to the land served, whether the owners were petitioners or consented to the layout or not. It

might also be argued that Lot 10 benefits more than any other lot in the subdivision because it uses the entire length of the Stonehenge Road for access. The owners of Lots 1 and 3, for example, could argue that they only needed about 300 feet of Stonehenge Road to be improved to provide them access, whereas the owner of Lot 10 needed the entire length of Stonehenge Road to be improved. But the bottom line is each of the 11 lots was provided better access by the improvements to Stonehenge Road.

The Board discussed and denied the application for abatement.

It was moved by Linda Murray and seconded by Dave Bowers that the Board deny the Mears Application for Abatement of the September 24, 2018 betterment assessment on the ground that Lot 10 is benefitted by the layout of Stonehenge Road as a public way; and that assessing each of the ten (10) lot owners equally is a fair and reasonable assessment against all lots within the subdivision. The reasons set forth in the Mears letter to the Board dated October 25, 2018 are insufficient to support an abatement. Members voted and being none opposed, the motion passed.

Board Appointments

None

New Business

A. August Expenditure/Revenue Report

Mr. Sullivan stated Mr. Neff was unable to attend tonight's meeting to present the finance report but he would be happy to take any questions or comments that the Board may have back to Mr. Neff and make sure that they are answered in a timely manner. Mr. Sullivan apologized to the Board for his absence.

Ms. Murray stated a lot of the heating oil lines are significantly over and we are going heading back into heating season. She would like to know how department heads are going to make adjustments to their budgets. She would like the comparison of the revenue to the revenues that we had estimated in 2019. It is hard without this information to get a handle of where we are today.

Mr. O'Brien agreed Ms. Murray. We need to know the revenue numbers. The energy numbers are running very high. We need to understand how the department heads are going to deal with this but we also need to understand why this is happening. Is this a volume issue? The answer is not that the price of gasoline has gone up. Mr. O'Brien would like the date we are going to get the audit. He wants to know the date it is going to show up.

Mr. Sullivan recommended that the Board further discuss this at the next meeting and he will get the answers to those 3 comments as soon as possible. He will get the information to them potential before the next meeting so they have it as informational.

B. Pop Whalen Rates

Christine Collins, Parks and Recreation Director, addressed the Board. She stated she is here tonight to talk about rates for Pop Whalen. It is very unusual to talk about rates in September because people will start to utilize ice in October. She has sat down with the Town Manager and the Finance Director but unfortunately with the transition we did not get to do the much research to figure out the plan for the future of Pop Whalen. She is proposing to raise the rates 3% this year which is October 2019 through March of 2020. Next year or next season to raise the rates another 3% and then by the summer of 2020 we will be a proposal together to get Pop Whalen in a January to December rate structure so they we can decide what the year 2021 will look like ahead of time. It is hard to see the full year when we are talking about two different sections of two years.

Mr. Sullivan stated the proposal is for a 3% rate increase from October 2019 through March 2020 and subsequently applying a 3% increase from October 2020 to December of 2020 and then setting a 2021 rate from January 2021 to December 2021.

Ms. Murray stated she did not have a problem with it and she would absolutely support a 3% increase for this year but she is concerned because we do not have an audit yet for 2018. We were in the hole in 2017 so raising the rates makes sense. We need to get a better handle on this budget and the revenue so we can start getting it in the black. She looked at some of her old audit reports and in 2016 it made money. In 2017 we had a really bad year. It seems like our revenue reports are estimating more revenue is being made then we actually take in. We need to have this more accurate.

Ms. Collins agreed. She felt one of the problems were they were doing the projection but never went back to the actual usage. She made some spreadsheets that show what is actually in the system booked by users. She felt before we were over estimating a little high. We need to look at our projections and then go back and look at what actual happened. Our hours are based on users but historically we have users typically from 6 am until 10 pm. She felt they were moving in the right direction with using ice time but part of the issue is everyone wants the same ice time. Ms. Collins sits down with all the ice users and makes a schedule that works for everyone. It is a give and take so we can accommodate everyone.

Ms. Murray questioned if any of the users have paid yet or are they waiting for the rates to come out.

Ms. Collins stated yes and they paid for the ice time after they use it. They use the ice from October – December and then she invoices them January 1st.

Ms. Murray stated at one time we had some people that were not paying. Is this still a problem?

Ms. Collins stated that was not really for ice time. It was for other programs. We have been more on top of this and working with people with payment plans. We are making people pay prior to the event which has eliminated a lot of this.

Ms. Murray stated good.

Mr. O'Brien stated if he looks over her utilization time in the past five years on average 47% of ice time goes unused.

Ms. Collins stated that would be typically during the work day Monday through Friday.

Mr. O'Brien stated 47% of the time no one is skating. Is it correct that the Town appropriates \$100,000.00 each year to Pop Whalen and it is counted as revenue?

Ms. Collins stated we are selling the Town \$100,000.00 worth of ice time for programing for single users not people that are paying for ice.

Mr. O'Brien stated then the ice is sold and it generates \$30,500.00 in revenue.

Ms. Collins stated correct.

Mr. O'Brien stated the other \$69,000.00 is used in the Parks and Recreation budget to pay bills.

Chairman Senecal stated the bills for Pop Whalen.

Ms. Collins stated correct.

Mr. O'Brien stated after the \$100,000.00 is taken away then the real revenue is \$182,000.00. This shows a \$100,000.00 deficit. There is a deficit of 65 cents for every dollar that is brought in. A lot of people think Pop Whalen needs to be fixed up and the number is around 1 million to 1.5 million dollars.

Mr. Sullivan stated the amount is potentially more. It is substantially more. It might be closer to 3 million dollars.

Mr. O'Brien stated asking for 3% right now does not make sense to him. He does not want Pop Whalen to go away. It is a community asset. We have to deal with this but asking for \$34,000.00 (that's what 3% buys you) is not something he can support. We need to look at the whole picture and ask ourselves some basic questions. What kind of investments do we need? What does it generate in terms of an obligation on Pop Whalen? What kind of operating expense do we need? How much do we need to ask the voters to give? He would like to know the amount of money it will cost to fix Pop Whalen and how much it will cost to operate it. We need to work hard together to make this all come together.

Ms. Collins stated she agrees and the reason they only went up 3% is because we need to figure it out. She stated we could eliminate the rate increase but she felt they would lose a little more money. We also don't want to affect the users too much because they have already planned their budgets. She did tell the users there would be a slight increase this year and it could be up to a 6% increase.

Mr. O'Brien stated we need to sit down and figure out how to make this work correctly.

Ms. Murray stated we used to have a lot of free time when the public could use the ice and that was her understanding of why the Town was paying the \$100,000.00. The Town was paying to have the ice available.

Ms. Collins questioned if they paid anything. It was completely free. They were not paying to use the facility.

Ms. Murray stated they were paying a small fee.

Ms. Collins stated we still have that.

Ms. Murray stated the \$100,000.00 is paying to keep that time open for those skaters. We are renting the space. We are renting it to ourselves so the public can use it. We no longer have an outside rink. She questioned what needed to be done to get some more revenue right now. We need to help this enterprise fund so we can stop the deficit. She felt the \$30,000.00 would help. The capital project is not on the table tonight. She agreed there is a lot of work to find out how we would support paying an upgrade to that facility. She questioned how much the friends of Pop Whalen were capable of doing. This is a different question. We need to stop the bleeding and she supports that idea with raising the rates.

Mr. O'Brien questioned if the free ice time was used heavily. Is that ice time that other users would like to have?

Ms. Collins stated during the week it is not used as much unless it is a day off from school or a vacation week. A lot of homeschoolers, toddlers and older adults will use the ice during the day. The weekends are busy. We do try to have Saturday and Sunday ice time. We did get away from publishing ice time but it is posted on our online calendar. We were trying to sell ice time and then fill in the free ice time with the available slots so it would be a better business decision. We are trying to work with everyone but still be able to sell ice time.

Mr. Harriman agreed with Ms. Murray. He stated we need to start somewhere. If we wait to do a complete study and then it says we need to raise rates 10 to 15 percent it will hit the schools hard. They might decision to go somewhere else.

Ms. Collins stated the rates are higher at other facilities. She has completed a rate study so she does not feel that will happen but they might cut back on ice time because they have to stay within a budget. We need to give them advanced notice about rate increases so they don't cut their ice time which would affect us greatly. We need to figure out a plan in the next year.

Mr. Harriman agreed. We agreed to do some now and some later.

Ms. Collins stated we need to do rates ahead of time to allow people to plan their budgets.

Mr. O'Brien stated he still feels the same way. We need to have clarity about what we are going to do. We need to fix this.

Mr. Sullivan questioned if the Board would be more comfortable with only one 3% increase.

Mr. O'Brien questioned if it would be helpful to the users.

Ms. Collins stated it would be for October 2019 – March 2020.

Ms. Murray stated then we are back to people not knowing the rates until later. We were looking at a 6% increase so if we did a 3% increase from October 2019 – March 2020 and then did another 3% October 2020 – December 2020 it would give us time to get an understanding on what we need to do.

It was moved by Chairman Senecal and seconded by Dave Bowers to increase the rates by 3% this year and another 3% next year. Paul O'Brien was opposed. All other members voted yes and the motion passed.

C. Board of Selectmen Budget Schedule

The Board decided who was going to bring the food to the meetings as follows:

October 2, 2019 – Regular Meeting

October 9, 2019 – Dave Bowers

October 10, 2019 - Linda Murray

October 16, 2019 – Regular Meeting

October 21, 2019 - Paul O'Brien

October 23, 2019 - Brad Harriman

October 24, 2019 – Dave Senecal

October 28, 2019 – Jim Pineo

October 30, 2019 - Michele Chamberlain

Other Business

Dean Rondeau, Police Chief, addressed the Board. He stated we received a grant from NH Highway Safety. They would like to begin on October 1, 2019. He apologized that it was coming to the Board late but he just received notice from the State. The grant is for \$3,520.00 and it needs to be approved by the Board. A public hearing is not required because it is not over \$10,000.00. The Town Manager needs to sign it so it can be brought to Concord. He was hoping it could be approved tonight.

Ms. Murray questioned the amount of the grant.

Chief Rondeau stated the grant is for \$3,520.00 and it is for motor vehicle traffic control. It is for enforcement controls. It is paid for by the federal government and there is no cost to the Town. It puts extra officers on the road to monitor vehicles. It keeps us safe.

It was moved by Linda Murray and seconded by Dave Bowers to allow the Acting Town Manager to sign the grant for \$3,520.00 for the Police Department. Members voted and being none opposed, the motion passed.

Committee Reports

Paul O'Brien attended the Master Plan Meeting, CIP Meeting and a Budget Committee Meeting. There was a question about lighting that came up at the Master Plan Meeting. He attended the Broadband Committee Meeting today. It is a newly formed committee with all the towns in Carroll

County. They are trying to figure out what their broadband strategies need to be and there is no financial obligation to the Town to serve. He asked if it was okay with other Board members if he served on this committee. We can learn a lot from each other. He will ask for an alternate member to serve with him in a while. He has spoken with Verizon and T-Mobile. He has not had any Planning Board related conversations with Verizon but he asked them to speak with Mr. Sullivan. Verizon has sent spoken with Mr. Sullivan. Mr. O'Brien had conservation with T-Mobile today. They are watching our video and reading our minutes. They are almost finished with their capital plan and it includes Wolfeboro. It looks like they are going to start the build plan in 2020. It will come up Route 11 and branch out at Route 28, 109 and 109A. He does not know where the poles will be deployed. Mr. Sullivan has begun the process. Our ordinances are opaque. They are not clear. We need to get clear on where we stand and then have a discussion on what we would like. He felt the ordinances should be looked at soon. He questioned if he could share our ordinance work with the Carroll County Broadband Committee.

Mr. Sullivan stated it is a public document.

Mr. O'Brien stated we have not heard from AT & T. A lot of people have come to him with concerns about our cable contract.

Brad Harriman attended the Master Plan Public Hearing last night. There was concern about the street lighting. There were some specific questions that will be addressed in separate public hearings. There were some small revisions and the date was set for October 22nd to have our adoption of the public meeting. He attended the Wolfeboro Community Television Meeting and they finalized their budget. Tomorrow night is the annual meeting of the Friends of Libby Museum. Alba Architects will be giving a presentation on the proposed improvements and the addition to the Libby Museum.

Chairman Senecal attended three meetings for the Conservation Commission in reference to the Pleasant Valley Bridge. It was awarded to Piper Industries.

Dave Bowers stated he has been doing research on Town street names.

Linda Murray attended the Chamber Quarterly Meeting, the Chamber Social, two Cyanobacteria Meetings, and some Special Events Committee Meetings. The Special Events Committee is working on Last Night in Wolfeboro. They are fundraising and planning events (10-2 games, balloon man, Gala smooth bike. The Kingswood Youth Center will be selling food. There will be Contra Dancing at night and we are looking to find a new animal show, a storyteller and a musician. She attended a CIP Meeting for Mr. O'Brien and they heard information about the new Public Safety Building and Pop Whalen. She attended and EDC Meeting and the Master Planning Meeting. She attended a municipal budget seminar in Manchester today.

Town Manager's Report

Mr. Sullivan stated the following:

The Planning Board is working on the ordinances. The existing wireless ordinance was adopted in 2001 and there have been a lot of changes in technology over the last eighteen years. We are

working on bringing that ordinance in compliance to state and federal laws. We are reviewing our existing zoning districts.

The Pleasant Valley Bridge is one of many construction projects that we are working on right now. We started construction on Dockside and Pine Street as well. These projects may disrupt traffic a little bit.

We signed an agreement to have a Public Safety Feasibility Study done to review potential sites. We expect to work on that project with Lavallee & Brenger in the next couple of weeks.

He attended the Master Plan Public Hearing and a few residents questioned what the future of the community is in relation to telecommunications and internet conductivity. There are some residents concerned with their access ability for internet and it was in different demographic areas.

The Twister Trail at Abenaki is being worked on now. There was a modification to the plan. We were not going to originally stump the hill but after talking to the contractor the long term complications would be greater if the stumps are not removed.

NHDOT is asking the Town to either appoint a new Advisory Committee or reappoint the existing Steering Committee. This will be brought to the Board in October.

Last week Dave Ford was in Boston to accept an award on behalf of the Town of Wolfeboro from EPA (Environmental Merit Award).

September 27th is Employee Appreciation Day. The Town Hall offices will be closed at noon but the dump will be open.

Questions from the Press

None

Public Input

Limited to 3 Minutes per resident, not to exceed 15 minutes in total

None

<u>It was moved by Dave Bowers and seconded by Brad Harriman to enter into non-public session under RSA 91-A: 3 II real estate.</u> Roll call vote, Dave Bowers – yes, Linda Murray – yes, Brad Harriman – yes, Paul O'Brien – yes and Dave Senecal – yes. Being none opposed, the motion passed.

The Board re-entered public session at 8:39 PM.

<u>Linda Murray moved the Wolfeboro Board of Selectmen to seal the minutes of the September 18, 2019 non-public meeting. Dave Bowers seconded. Roll call vote, Dave Bowers – yes, Linda Murray – yes, Brad Harriman – yes, Paul O'Brien – yes and Dave Senecal – yes. Being none opposed, the motion passed.</u>

<u>It was moved by Linda Murray and seconded by Chairman Senecal to adjourn at 8:40 PM.</u>
<u>Members voted and being none opposed, the motion passed.</u>

Respectfully Submitted, Michele Chamberlain