



TOWN of **THOMPSON**

Board of Selectmen

Minutes Special Selectmen's Meeting
Wednesday, August 29, 2018
Seney Room, Thompson Town Hall

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Rene Morin
TOWN CLERK

1. Call to Order

First Selectman Ken Beausoleil called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Present: Ken Beausoleil

Amy St. Onge

Steve Herbert

Staff: Rene Morin, Tax Collector; Lynn Landry, Tax Clerk

Recording Secretary: Marie C. Mongeau

2. Legal Notice of Referendum and Town Meeting

The Town Clerk and Registrar of Voters reviewed and approved the dates. The Town Meeting will be Monday, Sept. 17, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at the Library/Community Center and the Referendum will be Tuesday, Sept. 25, 2018 from 12:00 noon until 8:00 p.m. at all regular polling places. The subject of the Town Meeting/Referendum is the replacement of two underground fuel tanks at the school from undesignated surplus.

Steve Herbert moved and Amy St. Onge seconded the motion to accept the Legal Notice of Town Meeting and Referendum as presented.

Ken Beausoleil – yes Amy St. Onge – yes Steve Herbert – yes

The motion passed.

3. Recreation Director Hire

An offer was made Friday, Aug. 24. We're expecting an answer. The office will call to find out status. No action.

4. Transfer Station Permits

S. Herbert requested information from Rene Morin and Lynn Landry about tax office fees and permits as well as procedures and timelines for creating and distributing them. He also spoke about the fact that other resources such as staff time and public works equipment are dedicated to this process. He'd like to see the Town move toward having the permit fees cover costs.

K. Beausoleil stated that his original proposal was about a 20% increase. A. St. Onge commented that there has not been an increase in these fees since 2012 and the proposed fees aren't a large increase. She also spoke about the Transfer Station being a great service and that it has been a bargain for 6 years. She also mentioned that the input on fees given by townspeople was considered and that we are meeting them in the middle.

Ken Beausoleil put forward a motion to charge the following fees:

Regular Household \$100 including 1 extra sticker; Seniors \$50 with no extra sticker; \$10 replacement; \$10 one Day Pass; increase by \$200 to \$700 Haulers

There was no second to the motion. The motion failed.

Amy St. Onge moved and Steve Herbert seconded the motion to charge the following fees:

Regular Household \$100; 2nd Sticker \$15

Senior \$60; 2nd sticker \$15

Half Year Regular Household \$60; Half Year Senior \$35 (No half-year 2nd sticker)

One Day Passes \$15 (Current permit holder borrowing vehicle – no cost)

Replacement Sticker \$10

Commercial Haulers \$700 per vehicle

Ken stated he didn't agree with charging for the 2nd sticker. Although fees need to be increased, he believes they should go up in smaller amounts.

Ken Beausoleil – no Amy St. Onge – yes Steve Herbert - yes

The motion passed.

Brochures will be printed with these new prices.

Flyer be created notifying residents of the new fees. Rene Morin was asked to provide comparisons with waste disposal information in other towns for the flyer. The flyer should be ready by the end of next week to distribute at the Transfer Station.

Citizen Comment Real Gallant, Brooklyn CT He owns properties in Thompson from time to time and wants to comply with the zoning and building rules but they need to be more simplified. He was on Inland-Wetlands in Brooklyn and it is much more streamlined. Wetlands should not need a permit if there is no disturbance. He expressed frustration with not being able to reach people when he comes here. There was no one in the Building Office or the Zoning Office. Signs on doors would help if someone is going to be out. K. Beausoleil will forward his contact information to ZEO.

5. Adjourn

Amy St. Onge moved and Steve Herbert seconded the motion to adjourn.

Ken Beausoleil – yes Amy St. Onge – yes Steve Herbert – yes

Ken Beausoleil adjourned the meeting at 9:50 a.m.