

Approved

Town of Randolph OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN

MINUTES OF MEETING – August 23, 2021

Members Present: Michele Cormier, John Turner,
John Scarinza
Kevin Rousseau, Linda Dupont

The meeting began at 7:00 PM
Vouchers were reviewed and signed.
Minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

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DISCUSSION ITEMS AND MOTIONS:

Kevin Rosseau reported that Mike Gray’s machine is running and he will continue to replace the culverts marked for replacement this year, while Kevin is aiding and overseeing the Randolph Hill Road gravel edging project. Brian Lamarre has completed mowing the Landfill and his team is currently performing roadside mowing. The road side mowers will be avoiding the invasive Chinese knotweed species to inhibit the spread.

After a second letter sent to Dennis Tupick, a resident on Durand Road, concerning the fence placed within the right of way, Mr. Tupick hand carried a letter in reply to the town hall on August 19, 2021, stating the wiliness to settle this in District Court. A third notice will be served by the Sheriff and an outside contractor will be moving the fence from the right of way of Durand Road with law enforcement present. Michele Cormier spoke with Burk York who stated the road in that area of Durand Road is a 49.5 ft. right of way.

Mr. Tupick is aware of the right of way and clearly has maintained the right of way on the southern portion of the property which abuts US Route 2, a state highway. The building located within the right of way of Durand Road is grandfathered, but the new fences placed are not and needs to comply with the town’s right of way.

Michele Cormier also spoke with Burk York regarding the Wy session property located across from the Town Hall used as additional parking. Burk stated, Durand Road in this area is wider and the measurement beyond the right of way would be 1346 sq. ft. (1/10 acre), which could be purchased by the town. Next step would be to approach the family to see if they would be interested in this idea.

The board reviewed current policies regarding Public Hearings held by the Board of Adjustment, Planning Board or Conservation Commission.
Linda stated the current policy is that all charges are covered by the resident requiring the public hearing with no cost to the town. Since this was put in place, a minute taker is now used by

these boards and when dealing with a public hearing the addition responsibilities of collecting abutters, certified letters and the placing of public notices in newspapers, which would include the additional payroll costs.

The Board of Adjustment normally asks for the fees upfront as an application fee and then the costs are deducted from the deposit. If there are additional fees they are billed, any remaining funds are returned.

The board agreed that a policy of requiring an application fee of \$100.00 to cover the costs of certified letters to abutters, posting public notices in the newspaper and the additional costs of the minute takers responsibilities of a public hearing.

The board reviewed and approved:

A Demolition Permit from the McHale family who purchased the Bowman Base Camp.

A Building Permit for Michael Sewick to add onto his garage.

A Building Permit for Catherine Mermier was denied due to the improper setbacks of 25 feet and referred to the Board of Adjustment.

Many residents are sending letters to Philip Beaulieu, District Engineer, NH DOT Lancaster and Representative Edith Tucker highlighting the hazardous conditions of US Route 2. Letters forwarded to the Town have been placed on file and forwarded to Councilor Kenney's office.

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm

Randolph Board of Selectmen

Michele Cormier, Co-Chairman

John Turner, Selectmen

Lauren Bradley, Co-Chairman

Linda Dupont, Assistant to the Selectmen