

September 29, 2015

Minutes of the Town Board Meeting held Tuesday, September 29, 2015, at 5:30 PM, at the Keene Town Hall. The following Town Board Members were present: William B. Ferebee, Supervisor, Michael J. Buysse and Jerry D. Smith, Members of Council. Absent: Paul R. Martin and Robert M. Biesemeyer, Members of Council. Also present were: Gary Manley, Highway Superintendent and Ellen S. Estes, Town Clerk.

The Chairman, Mr. Ferebee, called the meeting to order at 5:51 PM.

Mr. Ferebee began the meeting by giving updates on various bridge constructions. He said the Construction Company at the Little Johns Brook Bridge is working on the drainage for runoff. He said they plan to put in the curbing and sidewalks this fall and will be softening the bump in the road by rolling it out more.

Mr. Smith asked if the guardrail blocking the hydrant was going to be moved.

Mr. Ferebee said he hadn't noticed, he said he would look into it.

He said the preliminary work on the Johns Brook Bridge would be done this fall. He said when work begins there will be a temporary 1 lane bridge on the downstream side of the bridge saying that they had poles to move to make room. He said they had asked to put a permanent pole at Point Park, no one seemed to object.

He said that Verizon is working to lengthen the cable at the Bridge near Biesemeyer's office on Route 73. He said when they are done, the road will be opened for the winter and construction will resume in the spring.

Last, he said the abutments have been poured for the Pedestrian Bridge, he said they plan to set the bridge on October 20th or 21st and plan to open that bridge on November 15th.

When asked about the bridge on the Bartlett Road, Mr. Ferebee said he hadn't gotten an update but said he thinks it is still planned to open on November 15th.

Mr. Ferebee shared a letter from the Highway Crew asking the Board's consideration on granting them compensatory time for overtime hours that they work.

When asked, Mr. Manley said he would have liked that when he was on the crew.

Mr. Ferebee asked the Board to think it over and they would talk about it at the next Town Board Meeting. He said he would ask Scott Smith and Dean Smith, who signed the letter, to attend that meeting.

Mr. Ferebee said he has the Lifeflight and SPCA Shelter Contracts for 2016, he said he would have the Town Board approve them during the January Organizational Meeting.

Mr. Ferebee informed the Board that Ben Chamberlain would be replacing the front door at the Community Center.

He said that he still needs to have lighted emergency exit signs installed there.

Mr. Manley asked when the Town plans to put the highway truck out for surplus bid.

Mr. Ferebee responded saying he is still working on how the sidewalks are going to be taken care of saying the bobcat may be included in that bid. He also mentioned there may be computers at the library to include.

Mr. Smith asked if anything has been done about replacing the doors on the cemetery vault.

Mr. Ferebee asked him if he would look into doors for replacement.

Mr. Ferebee said there were trees removed at the cemetery.

Mr. Smith said he thought the cedar trees against the vault should be removed saying that they are crowding that building.

Resolution No. 173 – 15

Mr. Buysse offered Resolution No. 173 – 15, a Resolution Transferring Funds. This resolution, in its entirety, is attached to and made a part of these minutes. This resolution was seconded by Mr. Smith.

Resolution No. 174 – 15

Mr. Buysse offered a resolution and moved its adoption. Be it resolved, that the Town Board approve the following bills for payment, including those that were prepaid. This resolution was seconded by Mr. Smith.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Ferebee:	Yes
Mr. Martin:	Absent
Mr. Biesemeyer:	Absent
Mr. Buysse:	Yes
Mr. Smith:	Yes

Multi-Fund Vouchers Numbered 583 to 625, totaling \$45,057.56, as follows:

General Fund Vouchers	\$20,477.41
Highway Fund Vouchers	17,880.55
Library Fund Vouchers	2,080.70
Water District #1 Vouchers	497.95
Water District #2 Vouchers	4,078.00
Irene Capital Project	42.95

Mr. Ferebee commented that the hiker parking was “jammed” this weekend.

Mr. Buysse commented that there were parking tickets on the cars that parked near the big rock on Johns Brook Lane.

Resolution No. 175 – 15

Mr. Smith offered a resolution and moved its adoption. Be it resolved, that with all business having been transacted, this meeting be adjourned. This resolution was seconded by Mr. Buysse.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Ferebee:	Yes
Mr. Martin:	Absent
Mr. Biesemeyer:	Absent
Mr. Buysse:	Yes
Mr. Smith:	Yes

The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 PM.

Ellen S. Estes, Town Clerk

October 2, 2015

William B. Ferebee, Supervisor
Paul R. Martin, Councilman
Robert M. Biesemeyer, Councilman
Michael J. Buysse, Councilman
Jerry D. Smith, Councilman