

# Town of Ashford

*Established 1714*

## REGULAR SELECTMEN'S MEETING

**TUESDAY, JULY 11, 2023 at 9:00 A.M.**

### ASHFORD TOWN OFFICES

**To be held in person and via ZOOM**

## MINUTES

1. Call to order at 9:01 a.m.
2. Members present: Falletti, Phillips, Silver-Smith
3. Hear from the public: No members of the public wishing to be heard at this time
4. First Selectman's briefing
  - Falletti reported that excavation of the old fuel oil tank at the Ashford School is progressing according to plan. The contractor reports that there are no visible signs of contamination. Delivery of the new tank is expected this coming Friday, July 14<sup>th</sup>.
5. Silver-Smith moved acceptance of the minutes of Regular Meeting of 7/3/2023. Phillips seconded the motion which passed unanimously.
6. Hear from Boards, Commissions, Committees
  - Falletti reported that the Sexton, Jim Reviczky has expressed an interest in completing gravestone restorations at South Cemetery. This is put on hold pending CIRMA damage coverage denial letter.
7. Old Business
  - A. Status of after school childcare program: The next meeting of the group will be hold on Monday, July 17<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 a.m.
  - B. Act on Ashford School Building Committee recommendation regarding issuance of RFP for architectural services relating to the Ashford School roof project: Falletti reported that it is anticipated that the RFP will go out this week.
  - C. Consider funding options relating to initiation of Ashford School roof project
  - D. Ashford Citizen: review draft of establishment of policies and procedures relating to production and content of the Ashford Citizen as prepared by Silver-Smith with suggested revisions prepared by Town Counsel.
  - E. Update on Transfer Station upgrades: Falletti reported that he has met with Transfer Station personnel regarding replacement and/or upgrading of signage, "Employee Only" protocols
  - F. Ashford Housing Authority request for ARPA funded appropriation: Costs related to proposed rehabilitation projects have been requested
  - G. Discuss and/or act on AFSCME contract. A meeting will be scheduled upon the return of the AFSCME union President.
8. New Business
  - A. Consideration of a request from Ace Equipment Sales, Inc. to access their 38 acre parcel of land (GIS map #38, block A, lot 2) through land presently owned by the Town of Ashford (aka Cadlerock property) for the purpose of a log harvest. Falletti shared Joe Kalinowski's comments regarding this request. The BOS briefly discussed possible improvements to Giant Oak Lane, logging truck safety. Phillips and Silver-Smith expressed an interest in assessing the proposed access point
  - B. Board and Commission Appointments
    - Conservation Commission – 1 Alternate Member vacancy term of which expires 11/21/2023

- Economic Development Commission – 2 vacancies terms of which expire 2/02/2025
  - Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission – fill 1 Regular Member vacant seat the term of which expires 6/01/2025; 1 vacant Alternate Member seats terms of which expire 6/01/2027.
  - Zoning Board of Appeals – 1 Alternate Member seat term of which expires 11/05/2025
- C. Tax refunds: None
- D. Review of cemetery statutes relating to ownership of gravestones. Information prepared by Department of Economic and Community Development will be forwarded to the Sexton.
- E. At this time, Silver-Smith moved addition to the agenda of a request from David Merkt for the holding of the 40<sup>th</sup> year of the Nipmuck Trail Marathon. Phillips seconded the motion which passed unanimously. Silver-Smith moved that permission be granted for the holding of the 40<sup>th</sup> Nipmuck Trail Marathon on Sunday, October 1, 2023. Phillips seconded the motion which passed unanimously. The marathon organizers will contact the Chief of the AVFD regarding vehicle parking on Perry Hill Road.
- F. Agenda items for upcoming BOS meetings
- G. Adjournment at 9:25 a.m.

Ashford Board of Selectmen – Agenda  
7/11/2023

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Tuesday, July 11, 2023 9:00 a.m.

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