

TOWN OF ALSTEAD, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Select Board
Approved Minutes for Meeting of May 10, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.
Town Hall, 9 Main Street, Alstead, NH 03602

TOPIC: Tax deeding

SELECT BOARD PRESENT: Joel McCarty, Matthew Saxton, Gordon Kemp

STAFF PRESENT: Julie Bacon, Tax Collector; Mary Schoppmeyer, Office Administrator

COMMUNITY MEMBERS: Joe Levesque

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE

CALL TO ORDER: The Board Chair called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

TAX DEEDING: The board heard the Tax Collector's recommendations regarding tax deeding of these town properties. The Board discussed each one and made their own recommendations, as follows:


Map & Lot/Owner	Tax Collector's Deed Recommendation	Board's Deed Recommendation
M34 L06 / Burroughs	If 2020 lien paid off by 5/24, waive for one year.	Concur – All in favor.
M09 L11 / Gendron, G	Waive for six months, then revisit.	Waive for 6 months and implement payment plan; then revisit. All in favor.
M11 L142 / Gendron, M	Waive for three months; deed on 8/24.	Concur – All in favor.
M44 L03-I / Holt	Abate interest & penalties if owner agrees to apply for New Hampshire Housing assistance program.	Concur – All in favor.
M09 L02B / Judkins	If 2020 lien paid off by 5/24 as is anticipated, waive for 1 year.	If 2020 lien paid off by 5/24, set up payment plan to clear the 2021 and 2022 liens by 2024 tax deeding time. All in favor.
M44 L04A / Thompson	Waive for 6 months.	Concur – All in favor.

The Tax Collector will have waivers for signature at the next Board meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS: Closing town offices for July 4th week – Issue not resolved at previous night's meeting. On a motion from Mr. Kemp that was seconded by Mr. Saxton, ***the Board voted for the Municipal Offices to follow the custom that the Highway department full time workers follow during the week of July 4, 2023.*** The offices will be closed, and full-time workers will report paid time off for that week. **Engaging a realtor to list the Caldwell Pond property** – Recently the Board voted to sell the Caldwell Pond property using the services of a realtor. To that end, Mr. Kemp suggested engaging an Alstead resident who is a realtor to list the property for sale. There was discussion about how to do this fairly and whether it was necessary to open the opportunity to local agents for bidding. Mr. McCarty submitted an inquiry of the NH Association of Realtors seeking more information about what might be done. **Rotating regular Select Board meeting locations over the summer** – Mr. Kemp submitted the Vilas Pool, East Station, Highway Garage, Historical Society, Library, and Transfer Station for consideration as possible locations for roving meetings this summer. The Historical Society was subsequently ruled out due to lack of space. It was noted that internet access at some locations might be ill-suited for online participation. It was agreed that discussion of these options would be added to the May 16 meeting agenda. **Updating tax maps** – Because the tax maps on our web site are outdated and misinformative, Mr. Kemp suggested removing the links for them until appropriate procedures are determined and updated information can be posted. An informational meeting with representatives from the mapping firm was proposed. **Property with no map and lot numbers** – Mr. Kemp has learned of a property that has no map and lot number. Efforts are under way to research and follow up with the assessing firm.

INFORMATIONAL: The next regular meeting of the Select Board is scheduled for Tuesday, May 16th, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at the Town Hall.

There being no further business to conduct, on a motion from Mr. Saxton that was seconded by Mr. McCarty, ***the meeting adjourned at 11:19 AM.***

Respectfully submitted,


Mary Schoppmeyer, Office Administrator