

**TOWN OF BEDFORD
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
April 18, 2018
BEDFORD MEETING ROOM
10 MEETINGHOUSE ROAD**

1. ROLL CALL: A meeting of the Bedford Town Council was held on Wednesday, April 18, 2018 at the Bedford Meeting Room, 10 Meetinghouse Rd. Present were Bill Duschatko (Chairman), Melissa Stevens (Vice Chair) and Councilors Phil Greazzo, David Gilbert, Kelleigh Murphy, Chris Bandazian, and Catherine Rombeau. Also present was Town Manager Rick Sawyer.

Chairman Duschatko opened the meeting at 7:01pm.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Led by Councilor Gilbert.

3. PRESENTATION

a. Town Clerk Presentation of the Top Dog

Lori Radke, Town Clerk, came forward to make the presentation of the 2018 Top Dog, Duke. Kristin Levine is Duke's owner and she told the story of how they got Duke.

Ms. Radke explained Top Dog and how Duke's picture is on all her advertisements for dog licensing. She presented Duke and his owner with a basket of treats.

Ms. Radke mentioned Bow Wow Bedford being held on Saturday, April 21st, at the Animal Rescue League. They are doing it with Goffstown and Milford. Dog owners can get their dog's rabies vaccine for \$12 and also license their dogs.

Ms. Radke explained that submissions for Top Dog 2019 will be accepted up until December 31st. In January, the Town employees will vote for their top three.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS – None.

5. PUBLIC HEARING

a. Consideration of Ordinance 2018-01 amending the municipal sewer district map to include Map 10, Lots 50-3, 50-5, & 50-6 for a proposed 150 bed assisted living facility

MOTION by Councilor Stevens to open the public hearing. Seconded by Councilor Gilbert. Vote taken – Motion Passed – 7-0.

Mr. Sawyer gave some background on the request for the ordinance change. They have been before the Planning Board through the design review process, which locks in

their zoning for a year. Back in March there was a vote to change the zoning ordinance, so the proposed 150 bed assisted living facility would no longer be permitted if their design review approval from the Planning Board should lapse in November of this year. At this point, the assisted living facility is permitted by having met the Planning Board approval back in November of 2017.

Jeff Foote, Public Works Director, showed the sewer district and the proposed sewer extension on the screen. The sewer district ends at the BVI property. The proposed assisted living facility would generate approximately 22,000 gallons a day of wastewater effluent. He stated that in March, the Water & Sewer Advisory Committee had a 3-2 vote in favor of extending the sewer district to the three lots. Mr. Foote stated that if the Town Council chooses to extend the sewer district to accommodate the proposed development, it would be serviced by an existing sewer pump station located on Constitution Drive. He mentioned the existing pump station on the BVI property that pumps to the gravity line that feeds all the way over to the pump station on Constitution Drive. This proposal would allow the three lots to connect to the BVI property via gravity, eliminate the pump station on the BVI property and allow a gravity feed into the Town's gravity system. The benefit to the Town would be to eliminate the pump station on the BVI property and have both parcels serviced by gravity sewer. The pump station on Constitution Drive currently operates at 20-25% of capacity. Other obligations on Constitution and Bedford Hills would increase that capacity to about 31-26%. The proposal to add the 150 bed assisted living facility would increase the capacity to about 42-47% of the pump station capacity as it exists today.

Chairman Duschatko asked about the two pump stations. Mr. Foote explained and showed on the screen that the one on Constitution Drive is the Town-owned pump station. He explained that there was currently a service line that solely services the BVI property and pumps the sewer effluent to a location where it goes gravity to the pump station. The proposal is that once that line is replaced as part of this effort, it will allow all of the effluent from both properties to flow gravity without being pumped, so the pump station on the BVI property would be eliminated.

Councilor Bandazian wanted to know if there was a public benefit to eliminating the private pump station. Mr. Foote thought there was. Any time you can eliminate a mechanical device, he thought there was a public benefit, and have it be gravity only. Mr. Sawyer stated that the Town's concern has always been that even though it's a private pump station, if there is sewer flowing out onto Route 101, the Town is the one that's going to get the call in the middle of the night to do something. Also, just having the ability to take hotels off of a pump station and have it be all gravity, the Town sees that as a public benefit.

Councilor Greazzo wanted to know who owned the section of property from the Town's pump station to the gravity line that was going to be replaced. Mr. Foote stated that once they improve it, it would become a public line. Councilor Greazzo stated that it would be an improvement for the Town. Mr. Foote stated that all of the line on private property would remain private.

Chris Rice, TF Moran and Attorney Ari Pollack from Gallagher, Callahan & Gartrell were there representing Old Bedford Road Realty, LLC who are the owners of the properties located at 18, 20, and 24 Old Bedford Road, tax map 10 lots 50-3, 50-5, and 50-6.

Mr. Rice explained the project. The decision of the Council would determine whether or not this project would be serviced by municipal sewer or if it would be serviced by an onsite septic system. They could move forward with the project on a septic system, but it makes more sense to be serviced by municipal sewer, especially where the sewer line ends at the property. He stated that the outcome of the meeting wouldn't affect the density of the project. It's a permitted use. They submitted the design review application to the Planning Board, which was based on onsite septic system. A licensed septic system designer's calculations showed that if an onsite septic, the three properties could be support a total of 21,946 gallons per day and that is the amount they are requesting for the sewer district. They received a favorable recommendation from the Water & Sewer Advisory Committee on March 8th. At that meeting there was a concern raised of what would happen if the sewer district was amended and the project falls apart; would that give rights to a future developer or does it encourage commercial activities on the property. The staff recommendation, which they fully support, states that the request is limited to this specific use, 150 beds and a maximum flow of 21,946 gallons per day, and that any other proposal would have to go through the process starting at step one and go before the Water & Sewer Advisory Committee and then back to Town Council for their specific use and sewer needs. A public benefit of expanding the sewer district is it allows for the removal of the BVI pump station and avoids a pump station on their property. It's better to connect to municipal sewer and rely on gravity flow as opposed to a pump station. Gravity flow avoids mechanical maintenance and any potential risk of contamination if there was ever a mechanical failure. To remove the pump station, they will be installing approximately 860 linear feet of gravity sewer line and it would be public sewer up to the BVI property. The cost for that work is approximately \$150k. There is no public funding for that; it's part of a private cost-sharing agreement between his client and the owner of the BVI. The expansion of the district also allows the Town to collect fees for the sewer connection and he estimates those to be around \$122k. It also utilizes some of the capacity that the Town has allotted with the Manchester Treatment facility. The Town has rights to approximately 1.5 million gallons per day and currently uses about a half a million gallons per day. He summarized by saying that the expansion of the district doesn't increase density for the project, the approval would be limited to this proposed use for this proposed density, the proposal would replace mechanical pumping, and it removes the pump station on the BVI property and avoids a pump station on their property.

Mr. Pollack pointed out that the decision before the Council on whether or not to expand the sewer district to accommodate the project does not substitute for the site plan review that the Planning Board would still need to conduct for the project. They would file an application and the Planning Board's process would need to begin and be completed before anything could be constructed. The decision on whether or not to allow the project to proceed on the basis of sewer or septic does not subtract from or substitute the Planning Board's role in the Planning Board process.

Councilor Stevens wanted to know if the Town typically gets requests like this for residential development, not a nursing home like this. Mr. Sawyer stated that the last time the sewer district was expanded was probably the high school time period when sewer was brought across County Road. That was the last time in a residential district that the sewer district was significantly expanded. Councilor Stevens wanted to know when they expanded it to the high school were there residents who were requesting to have sewer brought to their home. Mr. Sawyer responded yes, people on County Road did connect and have connected since. The Planning Board approved a subdivision in 2016 that built three or four homes on County Road that also connected. She mentioned that there were a lot of homes in the area of the project and wanted to know why the discussion wouldn't be to include some of the other properties. She felt like they were making a special exception for a business. Mr. Sawyer stated that this was the only proposal that came before the Town to connect sewer. If any other properties wanted to they could, but he wasn't aware of the need to connect anything else in the immediate area. A septic system for a single family home is very common in Bedford and in the State. The rest of the density beyond the proposed development is fairly rural.

Councilor Rombeau wanted to clarify that the proposed approval wouldn't be expanding the district, but just a special use approval for this project. Mr. Sawyer clarified that it would be expanding the district on the map to include the three parcels. Councilor Rombeau stated that the ordinance allows them to '1) extend a sewer line for a specific use and not expand the district, 2) expand the district to include additional parcels, 3) or to deny applications for sewer line extensions or expansions to the district.' She wanted to know if they were approving just the specific use or expanding the district. Mr. Sawyer stated that the way they drafted the ordinance, it would amend the district to add those three parcels to it. He added an additional line in the motion, but not the ordinance, that if this project doesn't get their Planning Board approvals or they should allow their approvals to lapse, that this becomes null and void. Atty. Pollock stated that the amendment that was presented to and recommended by the Water & Sewer Advisory Committee spoke specifically to an assisted living facility of not more than 150 beds on those parcels and they accept that condition from the Council. Councilor Rombeau stated that at the Water & Sewer Advisory Committee there was concern that by extending sewer it would make it harder to say no to or easier to say yes to projects down the road that might require variances; it would be harder to hold boundaries later. Atty. Pollack stated that this would be limited to the particular project and could be conditioned that way in an approval. There are no guarantees for other proposals and other proposals on other properties. With respect to this property, it made good sense in terms of the project coming forward and complying with the Zoning ordinance whether it's sewer or septic. It is taking advantage of capacity that already exists between Bedford and Manchester.

Councilor Stevens wanted to know if this project fails, there won't be a more dense project that would be on the property. Mr. Sawyer stated that it would be very challenging for something as dense or more dense to come down the pike if this project fails now that the zoning has been changed. Councilor Stevens stated that the fact that

the district can only be expanded if this assisted living facility goes in; that is the most use that they would see. Mr. Sawyer stated that under the current zoning, the only other things that could potentially go there are very limited. He mentioned possibly another elementary school would be a permitted use. Mr. Sawyer explained that they are not extending a public main to their project, so it couldn't be extended up the road further. This is just a service line through the Bedford Grand and Bedford Village Inn properties.

Councilor Bandazian mentioned a possible main extension along Route 101 and there was discussion about that.

Jack Carnevale, owner of the Bedford Village Inn and the Bedford Grand, was in favor of the extension. He gave a history of how the BVI got connected. He explained the costs of running and maintaining the pump station on their property. He thought that a gravity fed system it would be a lot better for both the Town and the Bedford Village Inn.

Jim Lamp, 30 French Drive, abuts the Bedford Village Inn and would like to be tied in to the sewer. He wanted to know if bringing sewer to residential, if there was a formula where if they bring sewer and water then they could increase the density in the R/A zone. Councilor Bandazian stated not in the R/A zone. In the general residential zone they can go down to a ¼ acre lot. He understood the value of having the facility built with this project, but he was concerned about what happens if and the ability to roll back a sewer district line once created and how legally that could be done.

Scott LaPointe, 28 Old Bedford Rd, thought it was premature; they didn't have an actual plan. He didn't think it was proven that a septic system could support the project. He thought that unless they could limit the size and shape of the building based on using a septic system, he didn't think they should be giving them the right to put a pipe in and letting them build the largest nursing home in NH, which is what is being proposed. He mentioned how the Town voted to not allow property like this to be used like this again moving forward. He thought that was largely based on this project. He thought all of these factors should be considered by the Town Council.

Beatty Hunter, 15 Arrowhead Drive, was concerned about the size of the building that is being proposed. He stated that according to the Hospital Association website, 150 bed assisted care facility would be the largest in the State. He thought the issue was how appropriate would it be to have that large structure in a residential area. He's heard some concerns that there would be a problem getting financing for the project. He thought the extension of the sewer line onto the property would open it up to bigger projects if this one fails and the possibility of a further extension of the line and other unattractive development.

Bill Jean, 105 Ministerial Road and former Town Councilor, thought there might have been some disingenuous statements made. His mother is in nursing care at the 300 bed nursing facility in Goffstown, so this wouldn't be the largest facility and it really doesn't have any relationship to the sewer going in and extended to this site. It's a decision to extend the sewer to accommodate this use for this site. He was on the

Water & Sewer Advisory Committee for a number of years and they negotiated the expansion of capacity with the City of Manchester to have the capabilities and the ability to expand sewer districts where deemed appropriate. He encouraged the Council to consider that it is an expansion for an appropriate use, a defined use and a limited use. Councilor Murphy wanted to know if Mr. Jean's firm was involved in this project. Mr. Jean indicated that they are not involved in the project at this time.

**MOTION by Councilor Stevens to close the public hearing.
Seconded by Councilor Rombeau. Vote taken – Motion Passed – 7-0.**

Chairman Duschatko read the proposed ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE:

*Amending Chapter 212-14 of the Code of Ordinances
Sewer District Map*

WHEREAS, The Bedford Town Council has plenary authority over the Town of Bedford Sewer System; and

WHEREAS, The Bedford Town Council has the authority to define that area of the Town which is located within the sewer district, and, from time to time, may amend the boundaries of the sewer district; and

WHEREAS, The Bedford Town Council has received a request to amend the boundaries of the sewer district.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE TOWN OF BEDFORD ORDAINS that the Bedford Town Council has voted to amend the Town of Bedford Sewer Ordinance as follows:

The Sewer District Map, provided for under Section 212-14 of the Town of Bedford Sewer Ordinance, shall be amended to include within the sewer district Map 10, Lots 50-3, 50-5, and 50-6, for the limited purpose of permitting a 105 unit (150 bed) assisted living facility to be located thereon, subject to the conditions that the waste water from the assisted living facility on the combined lots shall not exceed 21,946 gallons per day and the owner shall be subject to all sewer charges and fees provided for in the Town of Bedford Sewer Ordinance and any or all apportioned capital costs necessary to operate and maintain the Town's municipal sewer system.

Councilor Murphy wanted to know if Chairman Duschatko just made a motion and Chairman Duschatko said yes, he was reading the ordinance.

Seconded by Councilor Gilbert.

Councilor Stevens wanted to know if they could table this and allow the Planning Board to review their plans before they go ahead and accept this motion. Councilor Murphy had the same question. Mr. Sawyer said absolutely. It's sort of a chicken and egg scenario, but someone has to go first. The Planning Board might want to know if the Council would allow this to be on sewer or it has to go on septic. In working with the proponents, it seemed that this was the most logical step so that the Planning Board

would be able to review it technically based on what they anticipate doing, which is sewer. Either one can go first and neither one is dependent on the other. They are independent decisions being made and neither impacts the other.

Councilor Murphy stated that she wasn't ready to vote in favor of it tonight. She would rather see how the Planning Board handles it first.

Councilor Gilbert wanted to know if the Planning Board has already given permit usage agreement; Mr. Sawyer stated it's locked into use by having the design review completed. Councilor Gilbert wanted to know if they have that permitted use box checked, do they do something like this before they get the site plan approved by the Planning Board or are they not in the right process. Mr. Sawyer explained that if sewer were already available, they would just go ahead and design their project on sewer as if it were in the street available to them and that wouldn't be what the Planning Board would see. There wouldn't be this either/or question that they would have to grapple with during through the site plan process. Councilor Gilbert wanted to make sure they were doing the right process. He wanted to know what else would they do except provide a site plan. Mr. Sawyer explained the next step is a full site plan application. The Planning Board could approve or deny based on any number of factors. Sewer may not be an important one, because they've said they can do the project on septic at the same density. It would be up to the project proponents at that point to choose whether or not they would continue with a septic design or a sewer design, but it doesn't change what they are going to bring forward to the Planning Board other than whether they show a series of septic fields across the property or they show the sewer line connection. Mr. Sawyer stated that their decision does not impact the Council's decision on whether they amend the map or not. Councilor Stevens wanted to know if the Planning Board could stipulate that they had to be put on sewer. Mr. Sawyer stated that they couldn't under State law.

Councilor Bandazian stated that in the reading of the ordinance, he didn't hear the conditions that were in the recommended motion. That the approval was contingent on the project gaining Planning Board approval and that should the project fail to gain Planning Board approval or should allow those approvals to lapse, this Council action shall be considered null and void. That's essential otherwise he would vote to table.

Mr. Sawyer explained that this would be amending the ordinance to add that additional sentence and those conditions as read.

Councilor Murphy wanted to know if Chairman Duschatko would amend his motion to be the recommended motion. Chairman Duschatko stated he would be happy to amend the motion to include the language stated by Councilor Bandazian. Councilor Gilbert seconded the motion and accepted the amended motion. The amended recommended motion reads:

MOTION by Chairman Duschatko that the Bedford Town Council approve Ordinance 2018-01 amending Chapter 212-14, the municipal

Sewer District Map, to include Map 10, Lots 50-3, 50-5 and 50-6 for a proposed 150 bed assisted living facility provided the quantity of waste water from combined lots does not exceed the 21,946 gallons per day as identified on the site plan submitted by Old Bedford Realty, LLC Assisted Living Facility dated September 21, 2017 with the understanding the owner shall be subject to all sewer charges and fees provided for in the Town of Bedford Sewer Ordinance and any or all apportioned capital costs necessary to operate and maintain the Town’s municipal sewer system. This approval is contingent on the project gaining Planning Board approval. Should the project fail to gain Planning Board approval or should it allow those approvals to lapse this Council action shall be considered null and void. Seconded by Councilor Gilbert.

Councilor Bandazian mentioned municipal stormwater and finding that the trend is detention and treatment and infiltration on site for projects like this. Chairman Duschatko stated that not knowing the layout of the project, he was concerned about the impervious area and the storm runoff and how that would be handled. Councilor Bandazian stated that that would be site plan and that would be a major consideration.

Vote taken – Gilbert-aye, Murphy-nay, Duschatko-aye, Stevens-nay, Bandazian-aye, Rombeau-nay

Councilor Greazzo wanted to know if they were tabling or voting on the motion. Chairman Duschatko stated that they are voting on the motion on the table.

Greazzo-aye

Motion Passed – 4-3 (Greazzo-aye, Gilbert-aye, Murphy-nay, Duschatko-aye, Stevens-nay, Bandazian-aye, Rombeau-nay)

6. NEW BUSINESS

a. Meeting with the Trustees of the Trust Funds

Ken Peterson, Chair of the Trustees of the Trust Funds, Larry Cheetham and Mac McMahan, Trustees of the Trust Funds came forward to present.

Mr. Peterson gave a history of how the Trustees of the Trust Funds came to be. He explained that there is a small private trust of about \$85k. The other trust is the Town money which has about \$5.1 million. He talked about the Capital Improvement Plan.

Mr. McMahan talked about the cemetery funds that exists in 14 funds from the Old Bedford Cemetery Association. The Old Bedford Cemetery Association asked the Trustees of the Trust Funds to take over the 14 funds.

Mr. Cheetham talked about the \$5.5 million of Town money, which they've invested, and the information they need to report to the State. He talked about the outsourcing of the preparation of MS-9's and MS-10's. Citizens Private Wealth Management is their investment advisors. Mr. Cheetham mentioned the Town being involved in the quality assurance project of the rollout of a new system June 30th. The Bedford Trustees of the Trust Funds are the token trustees on this project. Bedford will be the only Town with three years of history. He complimented Nate Gagne, IT Manager, for allocating some server disc space for the Trustees for secured records.

Deno Mokas and Laurie Leduc from Citizens Bank Private Wealth Management updated the most recent data available on the investments the Town has with Citizens Bank Private Wealth Management.

b. Other New Business – None

7. OLD BUSINESS

a. PFC Update

Mr. Sawyer stated that a public meeting has been scheduled. It will be held by DES and Pennichuck. It will be significantly important that anybody in the Pennichuck Service area: Back River Road, Greenmeadow Lane, and Smith Road, to attend this meeting. It's being held on May 22nd at 6:30 PM at the Peter Woodbury School, 180 County Road. On that night, any residents who have not yet had an in-house inspection done by the Pennichuck engineers would be able to sign up for that. Also, both DES and Pennichuck are going to talk about the next steps in terms of construction. May 22nd is when the bids are due back to Pennichuck for contractors to complete the almost 22k feet of water main that needs to be done. The hope is that they will start quickly after the bid date of May 22nd and that a contractor will mobilize to the site very quickly in June. There should be similar communication happening for residents on South River Road. St. Gobain has approved a separate contractor and engineering firm to go ahead and do all the connections on South River Road. That water is from Manchester Water Works. Those residents will be contacted directly by the engineering firm. For the May 22nd meeting, Pennichuck will send direct mail to all of those residents as well.

b. Other Old Business – None

8. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. Public Session – April 4, 2018

MOTION by Councilor Bandazian that the Bedford Town Council approve the minutes of the April 4, 2018 Public Session. Seconded by Councilor Murphy. Vote taken – Motion Passed – 7-0.

b. Non-Public Session – April 4, 2018

MOTION by Councilor Bandazian that the Bedford Town Council approve the minutes of the April 4, 2018 Non-Public Session. Seconded by Councilor Gilbert. Vote taken – Motion Passed – 7-0.

c. Town Council Retreat – April 7, 2018

MOTION by Councilor Bandazian that the Bedford Town Council approve the minutes of the April 7, 2018 Town Council Retreat. Seconded by Councilor Stevens. Vote taken – Motion Passed – 7-0.

9. TOWN MANAGER REPORT

- 1) Dogs Licenses must be obtained by April 30th each year. You can register your dog at the Town Office or on April 21st – Bow Wow Bedford, 10 AM – 3 PM, Animal Rescue League of NH. 11 AM – 2 PM there is a rabies vaccination clinic for \$12.
- 2) The second week of April is National Public Safety Telecommunications Week so I would like to thank them for always being there for our residents and businesses 24/7/365 and for completing their jobs in such a respectful and professional manner often under trying circumstances. A very special recognition was provided to Communications Specialist Elizabeth Duclos who was just named “Trainer of the Year” by the NH Emergency Dispatchers Association.
- 3) Longtime employee Luci Albertson our Director of Children’s Services at the Library who is retiring at the end of the month after 28 years of service to the community. Interviews for Luci’s replacement are underway.
- 4) 2018 Roads Program – The Department of Public Works continues to progress on Phase IV of the Campbell Road project and a detour has been put in place utilizing Rolling Woods and Wellesley Drives. A neighborhood meeting is being planned for the Bedford Three Corners area which will be the next project following Campbell Road. Additionally design work continues for Sebbins Pond and Sandy Pond Parkway areas. The Cider Mill Road Bridge project is also reaching final design in anticipation for bidding in May and construction later this year.
- 5) Bridge – Larry Cheetham running a bridge program for the recreation department on Thursday nights April 19th – June 14th at Hannaford. There is a waiting list.
- 6) April 28th – National Prescription Drug Take Back Day, Police Department, 55 Constitution Drive.
- 7) May 6th – Sunday Concert Series, 2:30 PM, Bedford Library, the “Folksoul Duo”.
- 8) May 18th – 79th Annual Bedford Firemen’s Ball, 6:00 PM Social, 7:00 PM Dinner.
- 9) May 27th – Police Bike Rodeo. 10:30 – 12:30pm at Bedford High School.
- 10) May 27th – Memorial Day Parade, 1 PM.
- 11) There are still slots available for the Town’s summer camp as well as privately run summer camps that the Town coordinates with. See the Recreation website.

10. COUNCILOR COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE UPDATES

Councilor Gilbert commented on the WBNH meeting where they covered what they have been doing over the past quarter: hockey games, basketball playoffs, and starting

baseball. He got an update on the high school students and their participation on learning how to do things at the radio station. The radio station did 65 Public Service Announcements (PSA's) last month and have produced 713 shows in the two years they've been in existence. They are working to get Nixle and the radio coordinated. They've had 5,600 downloads, so people are interested. He thanked the paramedics who came to his house for a medical emergency.

Councilor Murphy thanked the Bedford Police Department for letting her and a couple of other alumni's from the Citizens Police Academy come back as actors for car stops. She extended her appreciation to all of the telecommunication specialists in Bedford. She congratulated Eric Dubowick who was promoted to Fire Inspector.

Councilor Rombeau stated that the Conservation Commission discussed grant money for Public Rock trail improvements. She also mentioned checking easements at Greenfield Farms and wanted to know if that transpired. Mr. Sawyer didn't believe that it had happened yet. She stated that the Historic District Commission discussed the Bedford Master Plan and the subcommittee having representation from each commission or board as well as Town Council and residents and how important it is to have public engagement.

Councilor Bandazian stated that the Planning Board approved a site plan for a restaurant, but currently doesn't have a tenant on the lot across from T-Bones on South River Road. He mentioned that Councilor Murphy, himself and members of the selection committee had been working on recommending a vendor consultant for the 2020 Master Plan update. They will be conducting interviews the first week in May. They looked at portfolio manager and reviewed performance and recreation facility lighting and that is very evident from looking at the data.

Councilor Stevens mentioned that any organization, ie. Boy scouts, girl scouts, bands, etc. that wants to participate in the Memorial Day parade to email Jane O'Brien. You can get the information from bedfordnh.org.

Chairman Duschatko mentioned a meeting with John Stevens of the Department of State Security and representatives from AT&T to learn about the FirstNet program, which is designed to improve first responder communication throughout NH and the country. Chief Bryfonski, Chief Wiggin, and the Town Manager will also be attending.

Councilor Murphy mentioned a family of black bears spotted at Liberty Hill and animal control has asked that you don't feed them. Also, subcommittees/initiatives were discussed at the retreat and thought it would be appropriate to formally establish those in the next meeting or discuss progress and a game plan.

Councilor Rombeau mentioned that the annual spring work day at Pulpit Rock Conservation Area is May 12th.

11. NON-PUBLIC – RSA 91-A:3

12. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Councilor Murphy to adjourn. Seconded by Councilor Stevens. Vote take – Motion Passed – 7-0.

The public meeting ended at 8:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Dawn Boufford