



The residents at the BOS meeting on 7/25/2022

### Nottingham Board of Selectmen Meeting July 25, 2022

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After a rainy, stormy day, the Nottingham Board of Selectmen (BOS) met Monday at 6:30 PM on July 25, 2022, in the Community Center for the 13<sup>th</sup> time this year. For the record, here is the [COVID -19 report](#) for Nottingham: 13 new cases in the past 14 days; 1120 total (2 new) as of July 25, 2022. None of the BOS wore masks. Present were three members of the Board, Ben Bartlett, John Morin, and Donna Danis as well as Town Administrator, Chris Sterndale. Also present were residents concerned with E 911 changes and those living on Mooers Road. The BOS focused on E911, Mooers Road, a cemetery issue, purchasing policy, a mid-year budget review, and its Assessing duties.

After the Pledge, manifests, and minutes, the BOS looked at committees. At Marston, [irrigation](#) and fencing were in. Town Administrator, Chris Sterndale spoke. The SAU has moved into its offices in the Old Town Hall. The Fire Chief reported he has hired 2 new EMTs/Firefighters with another one soon to be added. Matt Pitkin, of the Highway Department, was certified by the [NH Roads Scholar Program](#). There will be extensive work on Flutter Street. For Action items, the Facility Assessment Committee had its second meeting and is now meeting with department heads. The BOS will look at a code of ethics at its August 8 meeting.



One the roads where there will be E911 changes

The BOS worked on making the final changes initiated at the [E911 Public Hearing](#) on June 6, 2022. It planned to make decisions on Highland Avenue, Lamprey Drive, Union Street, Meindl Road East, White's Grove Road, Tuckaway Shores Road, Barderry Lane, Pine Street, and North River Lake Road East. Residents of those roads had from June 6 until July 6 to submit ideas for new names. Here are the Roads and the New Names that BOS approved then.

ROAD	NEW NAME
Highland (upper section)	Woodland Avenue
North River Lake Road East	Birch Tree Lane
Barderry 1 <sup>st</sup> sprig	PENDING 20,21,32,34 = Cardinal Lane 26,28,30 = Hemlock Trail
Barderry 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sprig	Loon Landing
Meindl	Eagle Point
Tuckaway Shores Connector Road	Gladys' Way
Tuckaway Shores	Martha's Way
White's Grove (53 – 60)	Lottie Lane
White's Grove 1 <sup>st</sup> Sprig (46-52)	Rockland Lane
Union	Pine

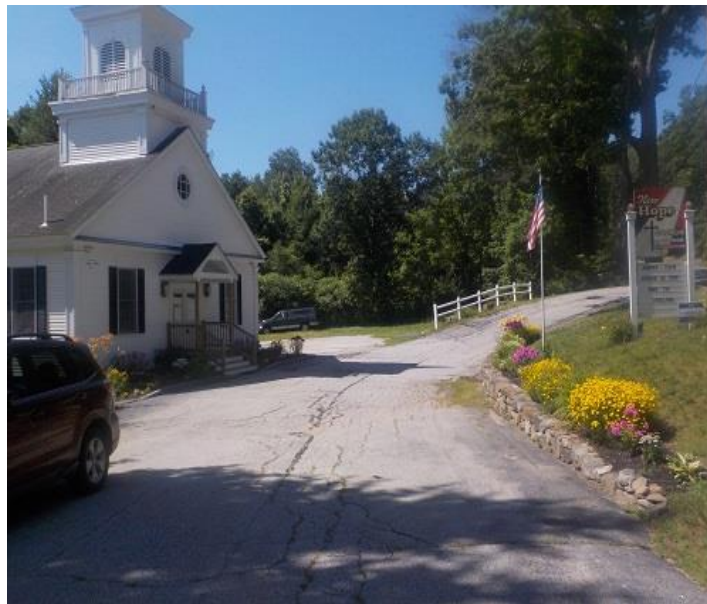
There were concerns and confusion about the sections of Lamprey Drive. As a result, the BOS tabled its renaming and will revisit once there is more information.

The BOS next turned its attention to Mooers Road. In 2019, at the Town Meeting, the citizens voted for the town to accept that road if certain conditions were met. A resident of that road, Jim Rosborough, had done the required changes. The Director of Public said the changes had been made and met the specifications for acceptance. . However, there were bitter exchanges at the meeting. Others Mooers residents said that the changes made were unsatisfactory and that the town should not accept the road. There were accusations of intimidation by Mr. Rosborough made by a Mooers resident. In the end, the BOS by a vote of 2 to 1 accepted Mooers Road.



The Mooers Road area

The BOS moved on to discuss a piece of South Side Cemetery located and used by the [New Hope Church](#) as parking lot. The Church has used that small section of the northern edge of the cemetery for years for parking. There has been no formal agreement with the town for that. Now the Church wants to pave over that area. The Nottingham Cemetery Trustees have approved that action. The piece of land is small and has no possible building potential, The BOS approved a memorandum of understanding (MOU) to allow the paving.



Where the car is parked to the right of the New Hope Church, is the area to be paved

The BOS next approved the purchasing policy. Then it looked at the town budget as it was half way through the year. It would be tight for next year. Here are some of factors involved. Work on Flutter Street although lower costly this year will be more expensive in the future. There will be major federal and state money available for next year. Other expenses will be in the Police Department which could be offset by grants. There is the paying off debt for Mulligan and Fire Station. The BOS approved the deficit budget for 2023 of \$4,541, 263.00

There have been parking issues at both the Fundy and Merry Hill Road. The BOS was concerned with public safety. It approved posting “No Parking” signs, with exact locations at the discretion of the Public Works Director: for Merry Hill Road both sides, between NH Route 4 and Strawberry Lane and Deerfield Rd., both sides, in the vicinity of the Fundy Cove boat launch. The BOS also approved accepting a small section of Cahill Drive, since Matt Bergeron’s easement has provided a truck turnaround area. The BOS voted on a proclamation naming this July and future Julys as [National Parks & Recreation Month](#). It did so in recognition of all the great work done by the Nottingham Parks & Recreation Department.

In its Assessing Duties, the BOS approved 2 Reports to Cut, 1 Intent to Cut, and 2 Abatements. It denied one abatement Lot 31 10-7 on the recommendation by Avitar.

It was a busy meeting.