

May 13, 2014
Selectmen's Meeting/Approved Minutes

Present: Selectmen: Chairman, C. Moser, B. O'Grady, L. Lavoie, & A.A. Milkovits, Tr. P. Letourneau, Dep. Tr. G. Fletcher & Police A. Thompson
21 residents were present.

Agenda:

Meeting opened at 7:35 PM. The check manifest and payroll manifests were reviewed and approved. Observation made by John Diefenbach that the Selectmen do not begin their meetings with the Pledge of Allegiance and that there is no American flag in the Town Office building. As a former School Board member, he feels that is a very important part of starting Board meetings. Selectmen will take his observation under advisement.

Minutes from Staff meeting and Selectmen's meeting, April 22, 2014 were reviewed. A motion was made and seconded and voted in the affirmative to go into non-public session at 7:41 PM. Present were Selectmen and A. A. Milkovits. Session ended at 7:55 PM. The Selectmen voted to approve the staff meeting minutes from April 22, 2014 as drafted and to approve the Selectmen's meeting minutes from April 22, 2014 as amended.

Appointments:

1. Bruce & Lauren Mann, 330 Valley Road, met with the Board to discuss the right-of-way they own that runs through the Mason Highway Garage and HD property. Mr. Mann presented a map as a reminder of the 50' easement on the HD property. The garage/Quonset hut was built right across the easement. The Mann's are concerned for the proposed rebuilding of the HD building. Mr. Mann discussed the history of the purchase of the property which had been owned by Mr. Whitaker. Mr. Whitaker endowed the property to the town reserving the 50' right-of-way. Bounds are not marked but it is a private 50' ROW according to Chairman Moser. The Chairman discussed the Highway Building Study Committee and the goal of replacing the Quonset hut. He stated that the plans for a new building will be respectful of the easement and the Mann's view of the Highway Department garage.
2. Paula Babel, Hurricane Hill Road, came in to discuss town employee retirement benefits. This was tabled until the May 27, 2014 meeting.
3. Pat Letourneau, Treasurer, came in to discuss transferring the town's money from the NH PDIP accounts to Money Market accounts in People's United Bank. This was tabled until the May 27, 2014 meeting.
4. Police Chief Barry Hutchins – NH Retirement System issue and personnel issue. A motion was made, seconded and voted in the affirmative to enter into a non-public session at 8:13 pm. Present were the Selectmen, Police Chief Hutchins and A.A. Milkovits. Session ended at 8:35 pm.
5. Joanne Gates, realtor – questions on 651 Starch Mill Road – buildable lot issue. Mrs. Gates was a no-show.

Historic District Commission Hearing:

Present: Selectmen, A.A. Milkovits, general public. No abutters were present.

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Hearing was on the applicant's proposal for a porch/deck at 81 Old Ashby Road, Lot E-60 located in the Historic Preservation District, Owner of Record – Clayton S. Williams.

Hearing opened at 8:05 PM. Mr. Williams presented a picture of the proposed deck on the house. It will be a combination deck/stairway entry, about 16'x12'. The structure is well away from the required thirty-five foot setback. It will face south/southwest. Since the house isn't very visible from the road, the deck will not be visible from the road either. Selectmen feel the deck would not change the character of the neighborhood. There were no public comments. A motion was made, seconded, and voted in the affirmative unanimously to approve the proposed design and construction of the porch/deck at 81 Old Ashby Road, lot E-60, located in the Historic Preservation District. Hearing closed at 8:13 PM.

Selectmen reviewed the following:

Old Business:

1. Re: Implementation of Lumenos/FSA Health Plan – tabled until May 27, 2014 meeting.
2. Re: NRPC Contract –tabled.
3. Re: MRI Contract – C. Pini – tabled.
4. Re: Garland Trucking – tabled.
5. Re: EQ Ratio for 2013 – tabled.
6. Re: LCHIP Matching Grants tabled.

Selectmen signed the following:

1. Property Liability Trust, Inc. – renewal confirmation for FY 2015-2016 – tabled.
2. Yield Warrant: \$3,038.75 – Fifield, lot D-10, signed May 14, 2014.
3. Intents to Cut: #14-293-07 Bergeron, lot A-19, #14-293-08 MacGarvey, lot E-1 and letters to request road bonds, signed May 14, 2014.
4. Memo to Paychex to remove Martha Ward and Carlotta Pini from town's payroll account, signed May 14, 2014.

New Business:

1. Inventory Forms – keep or opt out – tabled.
2. Appointment of Patricia A. Greene as Trustee of Trust Funds for one year – tabled.
3. Re-appointment of Kenneth E. Greene as Republican Ballot Clerk, 3 year term – tabled.
4. Highway maintenance: long term planning – tabled.
5. Personnel issues (non-public): Motion was made, seconded and voted in the affirmative to enter into non-public session at 9:23 PM for personnel issues. Present: Selectmen, A.A. Milkovits, PC Hutchins. Session ended at 10:50 pm. A.A. Milkovits left the Selectmen's meeting at 9:45 PM due to illness.
6. Other:

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- Requests from Highway Department for spending over \$1,000 limit policy: paving contract from Brox, purchasing magnesium flakes, scheduling backhoe brake work, and purchasing gasoline – tabled.
- Personnel: From D.E.S.: Notice of Road Agent F. Greenwood attaining Certified Culvert Maintainer status.
- Police logs
- Building Permits: #04-14 Jones, lot D-21-1, new siding & roofing; #06-14 Cartier, lot B-17-4, 12'x30' barn; #07-14 Delancey, lot F-16-2 bathroom remodel; #08-14 Ardito, lot L-45 40'x50' garage
- From DRA – 2013 Total Equalized Valuation: \$139,794,033 – Base Valuation for Debt Limits: \$139,788,660.
- From Joseph Iodice, 499 Hurricane Hill Road, proposal for tax payment agreement - \$20,000 then \$400 per month as balance by the end of the year. Mr. Iodice will make that plan provided that the town does not take any action to take his house by tax deed. Tabled.
- Planning Board minutes: November 20, 2013 to April 30, 2014.
- From PB Chairman Pam Lassen: NH Municipal Land Use Regulation Process.
- From PSNH: 2014 Temporary Pole Attachment Agreement – tabled.
- From HealthTrust: 2014 Flu Vaccine Program Application –tabled.
- From resident Kirk Farrell – email concerning wind fall on RR Trail. No comment.
- From Treasurer – copy of Delegation of Accounting Functions of the Town to Accukeep, Inc and its employees, dated May 2, 2014.
- Health Alerts
- Other correspondence: Broadband access/ TDS – Ellen Scarpone from FairPoint may speak to Selectmen about access: Chairman will call to schedule Ms. Scarpone to come to the next meeting.

7. Public Forum –

Meeting adjourned at 10:55PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara L. Milkovits
Administrative Assistant