

TOWN OF MASON
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

(UNAPPROVED) Minutes of June 2, 2015 meeting

Selectmen present: Bernie O'Grady, chair; Charles Moser, selectmen;
Absent: Louise Lavoie, selectman

Others present: Pipeline Advisory Committee: Joe McGuire; Dimitri Gounis; Bob Dillberger

Public: Bob Bergeron, Barbara Devore, Anna Faiello, Cathy Chapman

Meeting called to order by Chairman O'Grady at 7:32 p.m.

Pipeline committee presented a two page set of recommendations for actions to be taken in opposition to the NED pipeline. Brief discussion was held on hiring an attorney. Selectman Moser stated that Richard Kanoff, the lawyer being retained by the NH Municipal Pipeline Coalition, advised that strategies, tactics, and details of legal action underway or being considered in opposition to NED be discussed in non-public session.

Motion made by Selectman Moser at 7:38 p.m. to enter non-public session with McGuire, Gounis and Dillberger, to discuss hiring an attorney, and legal strategy to oppose the pipeline, pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II, b and e. Seconded by Chairman O'Grady, approved unanimously.

Return to public session at 7:54 p.m.

Pipeline committee requests that the Selectmen provide them with some direction. Selectmen suggest the committee research environmental consultants and obtain some estimates for work consistent with their (the pipeline committee's) recommendations to prepare an environmental assessment.

Selectman Moser noted that the town will be contributing up to \$18,000 to the Municipal Coalition legal fund for fiscal 2015, and \$7,500 to the PLAN-NE legal fund.

Selectman Moser will ask Attorney Kanoff if he has any recommendations for environmental consultants. Moser noted that Kanoff will be sending out some "homework" ideas to the coalition towns, and that may provide the Mason pipeline advisory committee with additional tasks to consider.

It was decided that bi-weekly meetings of the selectmen and pipeline committee were not necessary and the future meeting can be on an ad hoc basis.

Motion to adjourn at 8:27 p.m. made by Chairman O'Grady, seconded by Selectman Moser. All approved.

Minutes taken by Selectmen Moser.