



MINUTES
Selectboard Meeting
Monday, March 21, 2016 Town Meeting Room
6:00 PM

Selectboard: Ed Thorson, Russ Smith, Joy Nowell

Town Personnel: Dennis Pavlicek, Town Administrator; Pam Bryk, Administrative Assistant; Henry Thomas, Fire Chief; Katheryn Holmes, Conservation Commission; Cal Prussman, Highway Administrator.

Public: Tom Vannatta, Ivor Freeman

1 Open Meeting

a) Naming a Selectboard Chair

Smith made a motion to make Ed Thorson Chair of the Selectboard, Nowell seconded the motion, All in Favor. Thorson will be the Selectboard Chair.

b) Exofficio for Planning Board and Conservation Commission

Thorson made a motion to have Smith be exofficio to the Planning Board, Nowell seconded the motion, All in Favor.

Smith commented there is not supposed to be an exofficio for the Conservation Commission. Pavlicek said it is unusual to have one but you can. Thorson commented that each Selectboard member could rotate going to the meetings. Smith suggested we check the agendas of all other board meetings to see what is happening that night and then one of the Selectboard members could go. The Selectboard agreed that they would attend other board meetings occasionally.

The Board agreed to name Katheryn Holmes and Eric Unger to the Conservation Commission for another two years. The Board also named Sue Russell as a permanent member to Conservation for three years. The Board would also like to ask Dick Wright to be part of the

Conservation Commission upon his approval. Smith made a motion to all of the above, Nowell seconded the motion, All in favor.

2 Presentations/Appointments

a) Ivor Freeman - BSSSBC

Freeman came in to discuss the defeated warrant article for the safety service buildings. Freeman felt that the public meetings we had were needed but at the Town Meeting there wasn't enough information available or given. Freeman believes the committee should be involved in the new 10 year master plan. Another option for the police station could be South Newbury, as the police are usually out on patrol so the building wouldn't need to be centrally located like the fire department. Other questions we need to think about is if we do build on the Bald Sunapee land what will we do with the old building. What about combining police forces with neighboring towns. Pavlicek said we do have the tritown assessing that works well. Temple and Greenville do share police administrative forces, Laconia and Belmont are proposing it now. Thorson said we can look at other possibilities, two towns that share a police force and have a mutual working agreement might be a possibility. To do something like this you have go through the secretary of state, the DRA and the Attorney General. Pavlicek said we can have a capital reserve for the safety service building and bring it before the CIP if we are not doing anything for 2 to 3 years. Freeman said I believe the committee should continue along with the 10 year plan. Nowell made a motion to allow the committee to continue. They have done a lot of work and they are all very experienced. Smith seconded the motion to allow the committee to continue. All in favor. Tom Vannatta said with the master plan coming up and seeing the results from Town Meeting I believe our vision sessions in June and August will be a place that this will all be discussed.

b) Cal Prussman - Mountain Road

Prussman came in to discuss his original plan for Mountain Road. This year the work was going to be on the section from 103 to Solitude Bridge but with the section of road deteriorating by the guardrails, Prussman is not comfortable with reclaiming and paving it. Prussman said options would be to look at this section again and have borings done to stay proactive. Possibly putting in geogrid. Then this year doing Solitude Bridge to Box Corner instead. Smith questioned how soon would you have the borings done. Prussman said sooner than later, I can all Mike Vignale from KV to come and have them done. I would like to flip flop the years of what work is going to be done if the Board is okay with that. Smith asked what geogrid was, Prussman said it is like snowfence, it helps stabilize the area and it lasts for 20 years.

Joy asked if that would help with the guardrails, Prussman said he believes we can reuse the guardrails, they are in good condition.

3 Regular Business

a) Audio Visual Equipment

Smith made a motion to move all board meetings to the large meeting room once the audio visual equipment is installed. Nowell seconded the motion, All in favor.

b) Selectboard Meetings

Smith made a motion that we *digitally* record all further Selectboard meetings. There was some discussion on the recordings. Nowell seconded the motion, All in favor.

c) Easement from Newbury to Page

Mayer has concerns regarding this easement and would like the Board to review it carefully with the Page family. The easement is between the lighthouse and the caboose and is less than 20 feet wide. Also the parking regarding the easement needs to be laid out completely. Smith said he has concerns about this public right away. Pavlicek said he will ask them to come into the next meeting to discuss. Thorson said there is no ownership or no parking on this property just permission to go through it. Also there should be a right of refusal if we choose to sell it at any time. Nowell said invite them in to talk with us. Pavlicek said he would ask them to come in as the Board has concerns with the easement.

d) Assessing Changes - Monthly Report

The Board signed the February monthly assessing changes.

e) Air Condition for the Veterans Hall

Pavlicek received a quote from Kenyon for a Mitsubishi air conditioner to be mounted on the rear wall of the Veterans Hall. Smith said we need three quotes total.

f) Little Free Library Project

Lea McBain sent information to the Board about the Little Free Library program. They will build the little boxes with the kids in the library programs and then would like to place them at Newbury harbor, South Newbury, Blodgetts Landing. Nowell suggested that they also have one at Fisherfield. The Board all agreed that this would be a great thing to do.

g) Abatement Request

The Board received a letter from Merilou Stanton, Gerald Drive, maplot # 028-164-029 requesting an abatement of \$62.74 for interest charged on her late tax bill. They did not receive a copy of the tax bill as it went to the sellers. The Board suggested she go back to whoever did their closing, it should have been handled there. Smith motioned not to abate the interest charge, Nowell seconded the motion, All in favor.

h) 2016 MS-232

The Board signed the 2016 MS-232 which is Report of Appropriations Actually Voted.

31. Correspondence

31.1. Mount Sunapee MDP/EMP

The Board received a copy of Commissioner Rose's decision.

31.2. Police Memo - TDS

Chief Lee received a letter from TDS stating that they would no longer supply business cable. Pavlicek talked to Lee and told him that it was all set. Highway, Police, Fire, Town Office and Library are all getting new fiber and it is at no cost to the town.

31.3. New London Dispatch Newsletter

The received the New London Dispatch Newsletter.

31.4. Revised Application for restoration of involuntarily merged lots

The Board reviewed the application that Patricia Sweet MacDonald redid for the Restoration of Involuntarily Merged Lots. All were okay with it.

31.5. Volunteer Advertisement

The Board would like to put an advertisement in the shopper looking for Board members. The areas that will be advertised are for planning board, zoning board, conservation commission, fire department and UVLSRPC.

31.6. Nate Miller - Scenic Byway

Nate Miller sent in the 2010 Corridor Plan for the Board to look at.

31.7. Sheehan and Gordon

Pavlicek had a right to know request from Sheehan and Gordon pertaining to the Great Island Litigation. Some employees have not provided any documentation as of yet. Pavlicek will follow up with those employees to see if they have any.

32. Approve Payroll/Payables

32.1. Payroll/Payables March 19, 2016

The Board approved and signed payroll and payables for March 19, 2016.

33. Acceptance of Minutes

33.1. Selectboard Minutes 3/7/16

The Board approved and signed the minutes from the March 7, 2016 meeting.

34. Other Business

34.1. Intent to cut

The Board approved and signed an intent to cut for Lee, Mountain Road, map/lot# 025-176-403.

The Board approved and signed a buffer zone cut for Jocelyn Hess, 20 Rocky Road, map/lot # 016-637-117. Holmes came in to discuss this buffer zone cut. The tree is dead and should come down but it needs to be removed with a large crane which is against our ordinances of mechanical harvesting in the waterfront zone. Holmes said you have a dilemma here this property is all in the buffer zone including the house. We don't want to destroy the understory with the crane but the tree is hollow on the bottom and should come down. In situations like this the homeowner needs to have an arborist come out and look at the trees to see if they are dead. Hess did have a tree specialist come out and see the tree. Holmes said there is a weak link in the ordinances, does Hess now have to go to the planning board because of the mechanical harvesting. Thorson said it has to be done if it is not safe to climb and if it falls are we liable. Smith asked Holmes if we ask for an arborist to look at the trees, who pays for it. Holmes said the homeowner. Nowell said the forms should say that an expert needs to look at the trees. Holmes said the question is which regulations to follow, dead and

diseased or no mechanical harvesting. Smith asked Holmes are you looking for the Boards approval to use a crane on this buffer zone cut. Holmes said yes. Pavlicek said when you approve it, we will have Greenwood follow up to tell the property owner.

34.2. Tax Warrant

The Board signed a tax warrant for a Timber Yield Tax for Wichtermann, Province Road, map/lot # 041-404-293 in the amount of \$718.36.

The Board signed a tax warrant for a Timber Yield Tax for Seidel, Emily Lane, map/lot # 044-223-180 & # 044-223-187 in the amount of \$1518.37.

34.3. Purchase Orders

The Board approved and signed the purchase order for the Recreation Department in the amount of \$2895.00 paid to MyRec for software for online registration.

The Board approved and signed the purchase order for the Assessing Department in the amount of \$10,000 paid to Cross Country Appraisal Group for the data verification contract.

4 Non-Public Session

Per RSA 91-A:3, II, a-e

- b) The Board voted to go into non-public session under RSA 91-A:3, II, a at 7:19 p.m.

Smith motioned to seal the non-public minutes indefinitely, Nowell seconded the motion, All in favor.

5 Adjournment

- a) Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Nowell made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Smith seconded the motion, All in favor.


Ed Thorson, Chair

Selectboard
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Russell Smith



Joy Nowell