



MINUTES
Selectboard Meeting
Monday, August 8, 2016 Town Office Meeting
Room 6:00 PM

Selectboard: Russ Smith, Joy Nowell

Town Personnel: Dennis Pavlicek, Town Administrator; Pam Bryk, Administrative Assistant; Henry Thomas, Fire Chief.

Public: Stuart and Marjorie Michie

1 Public Input
NONE

2 Regular Business

a) Handicap Ramps

Pavlicek discussed the two handicap ramps he found for the gazebo. There was a Q ramp and a traverse ram. Nowell said that the Center Meeting house has the traverse ramp if they wanted to look at it. Smith said we need to have a hand rail up there. Nowell said we need something more permanent at the gazebo. Henry Thomas said you might be able to raise the ground there like what was done at the town office and it would be a natural incline. There is only one step, it's only 15 inches. Pavlicek asked the Board if they would like Thomas to look at it. Smith said yes let Thomas see what he thinks, I think that is a better idea. Nowell agreed.

b) NH DRA

The Board signed the Application for reimbursement to towns and cities in which federal and state forest land is situated.

c) Advisory Budget Committee Member

Nowell will no longer be on the budget committee as she is now on the

Selectboard. Pavlicek mentioned Christine Daniels as a new member. Nowell made a motion to ask Christine Daniels to serve on the budget committee for this coming year, Smith seconded the motion, All in favor.

d) UVLSRPC Commissioner

Pavlicek received a call from Gary Daniels and he is interested in serving as the commissioner for Newbury on the Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission. There are two positions available. Nowell made a motion that Gary Daniels serve as the Newbury commissioner on the UVLSRPC, Smith seconded the motion, All in favor.

21. Correspondence

21.1. Veteran's tax credit

Pavlicek said there is a change in the Veteran's tax credit, every veteran will be able to receive the credit not just the ones who meet certain criteria. Smith knew about the change and said it will be discussed at the next planning board meeting. Pavlicek said that the Town now gives \$500 to qualifying veterans, we are up to about \$80,000 in credits. With the new change other communities are reducing their credit amount to \$400 to everyone. Pavlicek said this has to be done by a warrant article at Town meeting.

21.2. Blind Exemption

There are also changes to the Blind Exemption. Newbury gives \$15,000 exemption in value now but with the new law the Town can make it any amount that they choose. Pavlicek will have Norm Bernaiche check with surrounding towns to see what they are doing.

21.3. On site review of Waterfront Buffer Zone Tree Cut

John Greenwood would like to have a Selectboard member do a site walk with him and the applicant, Crowley, 125 Baypoint Road for clarification on the application. Smith will contact Greenwood and schedule the site visit with him.

21.4. Pulaski Culvert on Ramblewood

Pulaski has dug out the culvert that we had previously sent him a letter about.

21.5. Chief Thomas

Thomas said the one of the fire station's doors were broken last week and that was difficult operating with one door. The part was ordered and the door is fixed now.

Thomas said that they have been inspecting the tents up at the mountain for the Annual Craftsman Fair.

22. Approve Payroll/Payables

22.1. Payroll/Payables of August 6, 2016

The Board approved and signed the August 6th payroll and payables.

23. Acceptance of Minutes

23.1. Selectboard Meeting Minutes of July 25, 2016

The Board approved and signed the minutes of July 25th.

24. Other Business

24.1. Intent to cut

Michie came in to discuss his denied Intent to Cut on High Point Road. The Conservation Committee will be discussing the Michie cut at their meeting tomorrow night. Smith said he would like to go up and see what is exactly coming down. If they could have the trees marked. Michie said he has let the trees grow but now he might build up there. Michie said I bought a lot with a view and I would like to have that view. Michie has a plan and he will not be taking everything down. He does have a forester. Smith said if we could see the plan and what you are cutting then we can give Michie a date for another Selectboard meeting to discuss and make our decision. Michie said that is fine and he will be there. Pavlicek will need a few dates so that we can have everyone here. Michie said he will take the Selectboard up there and hopefully have the forester there too.

The Board approved and signed a tree cutting in the protected shoreland for Ferris, 131 Grace Hill Road, map/lot #16A-351-060.

The Board approved and signed a tree cutting in the protected shoreland for Sadowsky, 298 Bowles Road, map/lot #16-487-279.

The Board approved and signed a tree cutting in the protected shoreland for Kassman/Kellsey, Lakeside Road in the right of way.

24.2. Warrant

The Board had a Timber Yield Tax for Peter Moore, 167 Morse Lane, map/lot #034-092-064. The Board reviewed the cut which was reported late. The original timber tax due was \$408.27, the timber tax due with dooimage was \$816.54. Smith said you pay the penalty when you are late, Nowell agreed. The Board signed the warrant with dooimage.

3 Adjournment

- a) The meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

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

Russ Smith, Selectboard

Joy Nowell, Selectboard