

MINUTES  
SELECTMEN'S MEETING  
MAY 6, 2013

The Board of Selectmen met for their weekly meeting at 6:30 p. m. at the Campton Municipal Building. Present were Selectmen, Charles Wheeler, Charles Cheney, Marsh Morgan and Karl Kelly. Selectman Davis was not present due to a conflict in schedule. The Board signed the manifest and reviewed the bills. They signed 1 Notice of Intent to Cut, 2 Building Permits, 1 Wetlands and Non-Site Specific Permit regarding the Blair Bridge Project, 3 letters of denial of tax abatements and 2 letters granting tax abatements.

At 6:45 p.m. Vice Chair Wheeler called the meeting to order and called on Kelly Bolger to update on the Municipal Building and the Town Clerk/Tax Collector's Office. Kelly indicated that the phones in the Town Clerk/Tax Collector's Office (TC/TCO) are now working 100%. Kelly discussed the additional electrical outlet situation with the Board and the Board unanimously agreed that another breaker be added in the TC/TCO to accommodate the additional outlets. Kelly indicated that he is ordering custom made screens for TC/TCO and he has a price quote of \$800.00 for pressure washing, painting the trim and exterior doors and sand blasting the railing and then Rustoleum for the rails. The Board was pleased with the price. The Town seal signs have arrived that were made by the Grafton County Correction inmates which Kelly brought to the meeting for the Board to view. One seal will be for the interior of the Selectmen's Office and the other large seal will go over the exterior door of the TC/TCO's. Selectman Cheney inquired about directional signs for the TC/TCO. Kelly confirmed that he is working on the signs. Selectman Kelly inquired about the fact that the front door cannot be locked from inside. Kelly Bolger explained that the door can be locked by holding open the front door and locking it with the key. Kelly explained that no dead bolts can be used on public buildings and the door has an interior crash bar. Selectman Kelly also inquired about a night drop box. Kelly Bolger indicated that he will look into that issue and felt it would not be a problem to install.

Kelly Bolger indicated that as far as the Selectmen's Office, he has placed a purchase order for air restrictors since there was a problem over the weekend in the Police Department's Office concerning the heat and the air conditioning. Kelly informed the Board that all the screens have been installed in the Selectmen's Office and Police Department. Kelly confirmed that a price quote for the parking lot paving of the final coat, (with parking lines and arrows) loam delivery and Fire Department parking lot paving would save the Town money if the quote was a combined quote for all these projects. Kelly expressed that he was anxious to get these projects completed. The Board thanked Kelly for his update.

Vice Chair Wheeler then called on Tom Giles and Jon Morrissey (the new District Ranger) at the US Forestry Service. Mr. Morrissey introduced himself and gave a brief

personal background presentation indicating his specialty in Timber and Recreation. Mr. Morrissey explained that he wanted to bring the Board up-to-date on the Forestry's plans for the Campton Campground (day use area). Mr. Morrissey presented a Scoping Report prepared by the Pemigewasset Ranger District and a Conceptual Plan for the Board to review. He explained that the plan (which will be funded by Federal monies left over from Storm Irene that are available to the Forestry) will be done in two phases. Phase I's plan will be to repave the entrance and put in a parking facility. Phase II will involve installing some amenities, i.e. a toilet facility and picnic tables. Mr. Morrissey mentioned that he wasn't sure (at this time) as to whether or not the Forestry Service was going to maintain the day use area or ProSport. The Board was pleased with the plans that Mr. Morrissey presented. After the presentation, Selectman Morgan inquired about the Forestry Service pellet boiler and how that was working out. Mr. Giles explained that it seems to be heating very well; however, at present, it is not producing electricity as originally planned. Mr. Giles also mentioned that the composting toilets are working out well and the maintenance requirements are approximately once a month. The Board then thanked Mr. Giles and Mr. Morrissey for their informative presentation.

Vice Chair Wheeler called for discussion/Motion to approve the Minutes of the previous meeting. Selectman Morgan made a Motion to approve the Minutes as presented and Selectman Karl Kelly seconded the Motion. The Minutes were then unanimously approved as written.

Vice Chair Wheeler then asked Ann Marie to review correspondence. Ann Marie indicated that an invitation was received from Communities for Alcohol-Drug Free Youth (CADY) for their Regional Prevention Summit to be held May 31, 2013, from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at Prospect Hall, Newfound Room, Plymouth State University Campus. An R.S.V.P. is required by May 24, 2013.

An invitation was also received from Genesis for their 2013 Community Forums on May 21, 2013, from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., at Taylor Community, Woodside Building, Laconia. The Keynote Address will be given by Sarah Pratt, Ph.D., Assistant Professor in Psychiatry, The Geisel School of Medicine at Dartmouth. A second forum is scheduled for May 23, 2013 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at Heritage Commons, Samuel Read Hall, Plymouth State University, Plymouth. The Keynote Address will be given by Kenneth Jue, MSSA, Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters, Keene State College and Creator and Founder of the "In SHAPE PROGRAM".

An e-mail was received from Brian Mills of NH Department of Energy acknowledging the Town's request to be recognized as a consulting party for purposes of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act regarding Northern Pass. Mr. Mills stated that the Town's request is currently being evaluated. (George Wright suggested that the Town submit this request and the Board agreed to do so.)

Ann Marie also informed the Board that Scott Woods of Beebe River contacted her and that he would like to come in to speak with the Board regarding options available to

Beebe River at this time. The Board expressed interest in speaking with Mr. Woods and Ann Marie will schedule him on the agenda for 5/13/13.

Ann Marie presented a list of owners who have tax agreements with the Town that Hannah Joyce, Town Clerk Tax Collector provided with an update of last payments received. Ann Marie reviewed the list with the Board explaining unusual circumstances involving some property owners.

Ann Marie informed the Board that she attended the NHGFO Conference last week, and she explained one of the topics discussed was trying to keep a balance between work and personal life schedule. Ann Marie explained that she could relate very well to this topic.

Ann Marie also informed the Board that it was learned that the State is suppose to be contributing a 40% contribution of the rooms and meals tax to municipalities; however, the contribution has actually been under 30%.

Another issue discussed was the fact that State legislature is in favor of the gas tax because if the increase does not pass, there will not be enough funds to finishing I-93.

Ann Marie informed the Board that the NH Municipal Association is offering a webinar regarding Demystifying the Tax Deeding process on May 15, 2013 from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m. Ann Marie will provide the proper web links to the Board for further information.

Ann Marie reminded the Board that there is a need to get involved to arrange the Memorial Day ceremony at the cemetery and a speaker is needed. Ann Marie has approached Senator Forrester to see if she had any interest, but as yet, has not heard back.

There being no further correspondence, Vice Chair Wheeler continued with Other Business – Selectmen’s Input. Vice Chair Wheeler brought to the Board’s attention the need for an assigned responsible party to be available to report emergency issues as they may arise. Vice Chair Wheeler indicated that Kelly Bolger has been dealing with the issues while the Municipal Building was being built and Town Clerk/Tax Collector’s Office was being renovated; however, they cannot expect Kelly to continue this responsibility. Ann Marie suggested that a part time position be created for a building maintenance person to handle the needs for maintenance and to also handle the emergency call issues. The Board will be taking this into consideration.

There being no further business, Vice Chair Wheeler declared the meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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