

MINUTES
SELECTMEN'S MEETING
APRIL 1, 2013

The Board of Selectmen met for their weekly meeting at 6:30 p. m. at the Campton Town Office. Present were Selectmen, Charles Cheney, Sharon Davis, Charles Wheeler, Marsh Morgan and Karl Kelly. The Board signed 1 Quitclaim Deed.

Members of the public who were in attendance at this meeting but were not on the agenda were: Robert "Butch" Bain and Sandy Morgan.

At 6:45 p.m. Chair Davis called the meeting to order and called on Kelly Bolger to give an update on the move scheduled for April 4th and 5th. Kelly informed the Board that Crowley Moving & Storage will be at the Town Offices at 8:15 a.m. on Thursday, April 4th and will begin the move of the Selectmen's Office at that time. Kelly stated that the Town Clerk/Tax Collector Office would be open and ready to move at 9:00 a.m. Kelly stated that he has arranged for the IT personnel, Teletechnique and Bay Ring all to be available at the Municipal Building on Thursday. Kelly also mentioned that he would speak with Chief Warn to arrange to have the break room available for all the tech personnel. Kelly suggested the move be noticed on the website and Ann Marie will also have a voicemail message on the phone service.

Kelly stated that all the desks were installed at the Town Clerk/Tax Collector's Office. He also mentioned that the outside of the building will be pressure washed and the exterior doors and trim will be painted when weather permits. Kelly inquired if the Board would like a temporary sign made for the Town Clerk/Tax Collector's Office and the Board unanimously agreed that a temporary sign is needed. Selectman Wheeler informed Kelly that he possibly has a contact to make the sign and he will discuss this further with Kelly. On Friday, Kelly will have all the locks in the Town Clerk/Tax Collector's Office re-keyed and will turn the keys over to the Board on that day. The Board thanked Kelly and expressed that Kelly has "covered all bases".

At 7:00 p.m. Chair Davis called on Senator Forrester. Senator Forrester explained that she just wanted to touch base with the Board and to see if there were any questions or concerns pertaining to recent Senate Bills. Senator Forrester discussed the proposal of the full "upscale" casino and the budget issues that have arisen from this issue. She stated that she would be glad to provide information to the Board concerning the pros and cons of the casino. Selectman Wheeler indicated that he was in favor of the casino; however, he would definitely like to review all the pros and cons. Senator Forrester also discussed the proposed Senate Bill for an increased gas tax at the rate of \$.15 a gallon over a three year period. Discussion then ensued about the possibility of reducing the rate and the actual dollar amount that towns would receive from the increase. The majority of the Board agreed that they would rather not burden citizens by increasing gas costs as opposed to the Town receiving a portion of the revenue generated by an increased tax. The Board also expressed that Senator Forrester also mentioned working

on getting money back in to the communities. Selectman Wheeler expressed some Northern Pass concerns. Senator Forrester did mention that the State does not have a master plan as yet concerning underground utilities; however, she assured the Board that the legislature is continuing to work on the ongoing issues. Senator Forrester thanked the Board for their time and the Board acknowledged that they were grateful that they were able to get their questions answered.

Chair Davis then called for a Motion to approve the Minutes of the previous Meeting. After revisions made, Selectman Morgan made a Motion to approve the Minutes as revised. Selectman Wheeler seconded the Motion, and the Minutes were unanimously approved as revised.

Chair Davis then called on Ann Marie to review correspondence. Ann Marie indicated that Butch Bain, Road Agent presented her with a check from Paul Kelley in the amount of \$99.50 for the payment of scrap steel that he had purchased from the Town.

Ann Marie indicated that the Town of Thornton would like to purchase all the desks in the Selectmen's Office and the Town Clerk/Tax Collector's Office. Tammie Beaulieu inquired if the desks could be held at the Town Office until their construction was further along, but she assured Ann Marie that they would remove the desks sooner if the School required the removal. The Board agreed with the purchase at \$600.00 for the seven desks. The Selectmen also approved the sale of the desk in the Selectmen's meeting room to a town employee for \$25.00.

Ray Burton, Executive Councilor forwarded an update on services offered by the NH Executive Council and encouraged the Board, and anyone else, to utilize the services. Ann Marie will distribute Mr. Burton information to Board members.

Ann Marie indicated a new program called Transport Central in Plymouth is being offered in 19 communities, creating a pool of volunteer drivers to transport seniors and disabled to medical facilities and essential appointments. The official launching of the services started on March 15, 2013. Transport Central is asking for assistance in enrolling drivers and spreading the word about Transport Central. At the suggestion of the Board, Ann Marie will arrange to have this information placed on the website and brochures placed in the Selectmen's Office.

Ann Marie informed the Board that a bill for legal services from Parnell & McKay, PLLC was forwarded to her from Hannah Joyce, Town Clerk/Tax Collector regarding professional services rendered on behalf of the Office of the Campton Town Clerk/Tax Collector's Office in the amount of \$6,940.00 for the period 11/21/12 through 3/21/13. After discussion, and the recommendation of Town Attorney, a Motion was made by Chair Davis not pay the legal fees to Parnell & MacKay, PLLC in the amount of \$6,940.00 on the grounds that the Board did not have prior knowledge and the Board did not give prior approval for representation to the Town Clerk/Tax Collector for these services. The Motion was seconded by Selectman Cheney and the Motion was then

unanimously approved. Notification in writing was submitted to Hannah Joyce, Town Clerk/Tax Collector of the Board's decision.

Ann Marie distributed to the Board the first quarter report of Budget vs. Actual. She also distributed an update on expenditures of the Municipal Building and the Town Clerk/Tax Collector's Office renovations from the Durgin Fund.

Ann Marie gave a brief summary of the Pre-Construction meeting regarding the Blair Bridge Project. Ann Marie confirmed that the meeting went well and she is confident that Arnold Graton and his staff will do a good job. Ann Marie stated that it was disclosed that the tentative date for commencement of the renovations is May 1st and the bridge will be closed for one year, with the exception of some intervals where the engineer advised that the bridge could possibly be opened during that one year period. Ann Marie stated that she spoke with Matt Moore and she explained to the Board his role in the project during the renovation. Selectmen Davis, Morgan and Kelly and Kelly Bolger were present at the pre-construction meeting. At the end of the meeting, the construction agreement and other required documentation were signed on behalf of the Town by Chair Davis.

Chair Davis then called for Other Business - Selectmen's Input. Chair Davis called on Selectman Morgan who inquired about bulletin boards for the new Municipal Building. Chair Davis indicated that after the offices were moved, an assessment of what is needed would be determined.

Chair Davis called on Butch Bain who offered his services for the move on Thursday and Friday. The Board agreed that any help would be appreciated as long as Butch has the availability. Selectman Wheeler and Selectman Morgan also acknowledged their availability for the move.

There being no further business, Chair Davis declared the meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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