

MINUTES
SELECTMEN'S MEETING
JANUARY 7, 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, Charles Wheeler and Marsh Morgan. Selectman Davis was not present due to illness and Selectman Keeney is on vacation. The Board signed the manifest and reviewed the bills. They signed 1 Intent to Cut, 1 Easement to FairPoint Communications, 1 Forrest Fire Report, 3 Pole Petitions and 1 Veteran's Exemption.

Selectman Wheeler acted as Chair this evening and at 6:50 p.m. he called the meeting to order and called on Kelly Bolger to give an update on the new Town Office Building. Kelly inquired if there were any questions on the last pay out. The Board had no questions. Kelly informed the Board that the next pay out that will be presented will bring the building up to 96% completion. Kelly informed the Board that tomorrow the architect will meet with him to do a walk through to review the punch list that Kelly prepared. The fire alarm system is installed and the phone line will be hooked up soon. Kelly stated that he will be meeting with Paul Hatch, from Emergency Management to discuss the question of diesel or propane fuel to operate the generator. Kelly also stated that there will be training for the staff for the fire and burglary alarm system. Kelly was happy to report that the "rough date" for the Police Department to move into the new building is set for January 18, 2013. The Board then thanked Kelly for his update.

Selectman Wheeler then called for approval of the Minutes of the previous meeting and the Non Public Minutes. Selectman Morgan made a Motion to approve the Minutes and Non Public Minutes as presented. Selectman Cheney seconded the Motion, and the Minutes and Non Public Minutes were unanimously approved.

Since the Board's next appointment had not arrived, Selectman Wheeler proceeded with asking Ann Marie to review correspondence.

Ann Marie was happy to report that the State has sent notice authorizing the Town to solicit for bids on the Blair Bridge Project. Ann Marie also indicated that Sean James has presented dates for the Board to approve. The dates are as follows: 1/11/13 Plans Available, 1/24/13 Mandatory Pre-Bid meeting at the Town Office at 10:00 a.m. (This will be followed by an optional site visit), and 2/8/13 or 2/11/13 Bids due at Town Office. The Board agreed to the above dates and 2/11/13 to be the date that the bids were due at the Town Office. Ann Marie will convey this information to Sean James.

Ann Marie informed the Board that Don Jutton who is working with Beebe River on the issues after the dissolution of the District. His recommendation now is to create a Beebe River Village Special Assessment District. Ann Marie distributed to the Board a proposed Senate Bill that would have to go before the State Legislature in order to form this Special Assessment District. Ann Marie explained some of the advantages to the Special Assessment District. One advantage being there will be no commissioners

needed. The Town will have to assess each year for water, sewer and plowing costs and then bill each property owner. Ann Marie explained that if a property owner does not pay the assessment, the Town could place a lien on their property. Senator Forrester will submit the proposed Senate Bill if the Board is in agreement. The submission deadline is Friday. Mr. Jutton has asked the Board to approve the submission; however, he will be glad to come in to a Selectmen's Meeting to discuss how the Special Assessment will work and then if the Board does not agree, Senator Forrester can "pull the Bill". The Board approved the draft Bill that was presented this evening and Ann Marie will arrange to have Mr. Jutton meet with the Board.

Ann Marie indicated that she contacted Greg Colby regarding the Town Audit and postponed the date for the audit to the week of April 8, 2013 due to office relocations in February.

Notice was received of an Open House scheduled for February 13, 2013 for the Waterville Valley Region Chamber of Commerce which will be held at the Visitor Information Center from 5-6:30 p.m.

The Local Government Center has sent notice that their return of surplus could be returned to the Town in the form of either a "contribution holiday" which deducts a dollar amount of the return in an invoice for coverage, or in the form of a check. After discussion, the Board agreed to the return surplus being in the form of a "contribution holiday".

A letter was received from the Campton Conservation Commission (CCC) regarding the summer pilot "Nature Nights" programming at Blair Woodland Natural Area. Ann Marie informed the Board that an inquiry was made to the Local Government Center (LGC) as to CCC funds being used for the programming. It was confirmed by LGC that the CCC is authorized to do so under RSA 36-A: 5. The Board was happy with the confirmation for appropriateness of use of Conservation Fund money being used for the programming project and the CCC indicated in their letter to the Board that they would like to entertain the idea of using funds for such purposes in the future to avoid further donation canvassing.

Ann Marie explained an issue regarding recent abatements presented to the Town Clerk/Tax Collector. After explaining and discussion, the Board was comfortable with initialing the abatements. Ann Marie also explained about the concern of the Town Clerk/Tax Collector regarding the back door in the meeting room being used by individuals before 9:00 a.m. The Board agreed that they were comfortable with only May, Ellie and Ann Marie using the back door before 9:00 a.m. (as has been the case all along). Ann Marie also explained an issue presented by the Town Clerk/Tax Collector pertaining to computer passwords. The Board was in agreement that Ann Marie, as Town Administrator, should have access to computer passwords.

Ann Marie spoke with Tammie Beaulieu, Thornton Town Administrator, regarding a joint meeting with the Thornton Board of Selectmen and the Fire Department to review

the Proposed Budget. The Board agreed to meet on Wednesday, January 23, 2013, at 4:00 p.m., at the Campton Town Office.

There being no further correspondence, Selectman Wheeler proceeded to call on William Pauley, a property owner who wished to discuss the removal of his property from the Campton Village Precinct. Mr. Pauley respectfully requested that his property be removed from the Precinct since his property is not serviced by water, no fire hydrant, nor sidewalks or lighting. The Board explained that they have mixed concerns about this issue due to setting a precedent; however, because there are no services being provided and Mr. Pauley's property being on the edge of the Precinct line and his back boundary line bordering the Town of Thornton, the Board expressed their support to Mr. Pauley to remove his property from the Precinct. It was explained that the Precinct Commissioners will have to be notified and Ann Marie will contact Laura Spector-Morgan, Town Attorney regarding the proper procedures to be followed for the request for removal and she will be back in touch with Mr. Pauley. Mr. Pauley then thanked the Board for their time.

At this point, Selectman Wheeler contacted Chief Warn by phone regarding his appointment with the Board to review his 2013 Proposed Budget. Apparently there was a "miscommunication" and Chief Warn didn't realize he was to appear this evening. Ann Marie distributed the Police Department's Proposed 2013 Budget for the Board to review, and another appointment will be set with Chief Warn to meet with the Board.

Selectman Wheeler then proceeded with Other Business – Selectmen's Input. There being no further business or Selectmen's Input, Selectman Wheeler declared the meeting adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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