

MINUTES
SELECTMEN'S MEETING
JUNE 30, 2008

The Board of Selectmen met for their weekly meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the Town Office Meeting Room. Present were Selectmen, Charles Cheney, Craig Keeney and Marsh Morgan. Selectmen, Charles Wheeler and Sharon Davis were not present due to conflicting schedules. The Board spent the first half hour going over the manifest and reviewing the bills. They signed 3 Notices of Intent to Cut, 1 Building Permit, 1 Residency Application, 2 Appointments of Alternates for Zoning Board of Adjustment and 1 Warrant for Collection of Taxes.

At 7:00 p.m. the meeting came to order with Ann Marie starting with correspondence. Ann Marie stated a letter was received from New Hampshire Department of Transportation indicating there will be an increase in the motor fuel administrative assessment to \$.05 per gallon for unleaded gasoline and \$.10 per gallon for diesel. This increase will take effect on 7/1/08.

Ann Marie also stated a Memo was received and distributed to the Board from Police Chief Warn regarding adding an additional part time officer and a request for expenditure on certain firearms. The Board would like Police Chief Warn to meet with them at the next Selectmen's Meeting to discuss these issues.

Ann Marie indicated a letter was received from Golden View Health Care Center regarding the health center receiving the 2008 American Health Care Association's Prestigious Step II Quality Award in New Hampshire.

Ann Marie stated a copy of a letter was received from NH Department of Transportation regarding a taxpayer's encroachment of the State's right-of-way on Route 3.

An e-mail was also received from Nancy Mayville (NH DOT) regarding a meeting concerning the repair work to be performed on Blair Bridge and the steps that need to be taken to begin the work. After meeting internally with her staff, Nancy will be in touch with the Town. Nancy also stated that the DOT agreed that if a consultant put together the bidding documents, it would be a conflict of interest for that same consultant to then try to team up with a contractor to bid.

Ann Marie stated a letter was received from Attorney Steven Latici regarding Town of Campton and Beebe River Village District v. Hamblett & Kerrigan indicating that a Jury selection would take place on March 2, 2009, at 10:00 a.m. and the Jury Trial is scheduled sometime during the week of March 9, 2009. It will be mandatory that a representative from the Town and the Village District be present during the entire trial.

The Semi-Annual Monitoring of the Campton-Thornton Sanitary Landfill was received from ChemServe and everything is in compliance.

A letter from Darlene King-Jennings was received and distributed to the Board regarding a bond to be given to the Town from Darlene King-Jennings regarding the road construction for the subdivision on Granite Quarry Road. It was determined by the Board that a \$60,000 bond would be needed because of the possible time lapse (and prices rising during said time lapse) together with the fact that the thickness of the asphalt needs to be increase to 3 inches. The Board also wanted Road Agent, Butch Bain, to view the road before paving begins.

Another letter from Darlene King-Jennings was received and distributed to the Board concerning consideration for a tax abatement on her property. Ann Marie stated that she explained to Darlene King-Jennings the abatement procedure and that abatements are not retroactive.

Ann Marie also indicated a letter was received from Grafton County regarding the new Correction facility noticing a meeting scheduled for 6/30/08 which notice was received by the Town **on June 30th**. Ann Marie will inquire as to the tardiness of this letter with State Representative Jim Aguiar.

The owner of Bella Pizza presented a letter to the Town indicating the anticipation of his establishment having a Karaoke Night and to serve liquor on these evenings. Ann Marie drafted a letter for the Board to sign granting permission as long as the Liquor Commission gave their approval.

A letter was received from Attorney Laura Spector of Mitchell & Bates pertaining to Beebe River/KC Tire case along with a notebook of extensive research documentation pertaining to this issue. Attorney Spector will be the attorney taking the place of retiring Attorney Tim Bates as the Campton Town Attorney.

There being no further correspondence, Selectman Marsh Morgan called for a motion to approve the Minutes of last week's meeting; Selectman Charles Cheney made a motion to accept the Minutes as presented, seconded by Selectman Craig Keeney, the Minutes were accepted as presented.

At 7:20 p.m. Tom Avallone and Ann Formalarie requested a moment to speak with the Board. Again, Mr. Avallone and Ms. Formalarie reiterated their apologies for the handling of a sign placed on Hodgman Hill Road and expressed the fact that the incident was solely done by one individual and certainly did not represent the whole Waterville Estates Association. Mr. Avallone and Ms. Formalarie expressed a desire to form a two to three person committee from Waterville Estates to meet with the Board (possibly every 2 - 4 months) to "start a new dialog with the Town". It was felt that it would be helpful to the Estates and the Board of Selectmen. The Board of Selectmen agreed it would be a good gesture and were certainly willing to work with Waterville Estates. Ann Formalarie inquired as to what procedure to follow in order to meet with the Board Ann Marie indicated that a Committee member could contact her and she would schedule them on the Agenda. The Board then thanked Ann and Tom for coming to the meeting.

Next on the agenda was Other Business/Selectmen's Input. Selectman Marsh Morgan indicated that the Board should give some thought to changing the official fiscal year even though it meant, "change". Ann Marie indicated the Town will already be experiencing some extensive accounting changes that have been introduced by the Town Auditors this year.

Selectman Craig Keeney stated that he has received one proposal back for the excavation work to be performed at Blair Cemetery for the well and he is waiting for more proposals. Selectman Keeney also indicated that he was approached by several taxpayers who are concerned about increases in property taxes in the near future.

There being no further business, there was a motion to adjourn by Selectman Marsh Morgan; seconded by Selectman Keeney, and voted by all, the meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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