

MINUTES
SELECTMEN'S MEETING
SEPTEMBER 15, 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 Wheeler, Charles Cheney, Sharon Davis, Craig Keeney and Marsh Morgan. The Board spent the first 15 minutes going over the manifest and reviewing the bills. They signed 1 Driveway Permit, and a letter drafted to Nancy Mayville at the NH DOT pertaining to proceeding with Blair Bridge repairs.

At 6:45 p.m. Chair Davis called the meeting to order and moved that a motion be made to go into Non Public Session regarding a tax matter under RSA 91-A:3, 11©; motion was made by Selectman Wheeler; seconded by Selectman Morgan and with a roll call vote: Selectman Sharon Davis – aye, Selectman Wheeler – aye, Selectman Morgan – aye and Selectman Keeney – aye, the Board went into Non Public Session. Selectman Davis and Selectman Keeney removed themselves from the Non Public Session due to conflict of interest. The Board came out of Non Public Session at 6:50 p.m.

Chair Davis called on Ann Marie to go over correspondence. Ann Marie indicated that a letter had been received from the DOT acknowledging receipt of the Wetlands Permit and that all criteria had been met in order to expedite; and they would be rendering a decision soon. Also, Engineer, Bob Durfee will be filing out a form on the Town's behalf regarding this project with the New Hampshire Historical Resources. Stan Graton will be in contact with Mr. Durfee regarding work that can be started without the Wetlands Permit. Nancy & Ray Mardin wrote a letter to the State in favor of the work to be done and Pattie Merrill will be writing a letter to the State as the closing of the bridge has had a negative effect on her business. Also, Chris and Paula Kelly will be sending a letter to the State.

Ann Marie stated that Jules Doner of the Conservation Commission presented a draft Purchase and Sale agreement regarding the possible purchase of the Pattee property. The P & S agreement excluded the property where the house is located. Jules indicated that the Commission will be presenting two purchase scenarios of the land to the public at the Public Meeting scheduled by the Conservation Commission for September 17, 2008, at 7:30 p.m., at the Campton Historical Society Building located at 529 NH Route 175. It was a concern of the Board that the public be encouraged to attend this important meeting; and Ann Marie indicated that the notice of the meeting was in two newspapers, was on the website and she would make arrangements to have e-mail notices forwarded to all persons who have previously clicked on to the Town website. The P & S Agreement has been forwarded to the Town Attorney for review.

At 7:05 p.m. Chair Davis called on Compliance Officer Charles Brosseau regarding Junk Yards. Mr. Brosseau apologized to the Board stating that he “jumped the gun” regarding his being scheduled on the agenda. He explained that the Planning Board will first have a

workshop session pertaining to this matter. As Compliance Office, Charlie did want to report that a particular homeowner had not complied with removing a structure on his property. The Board agreed that a letter be drafted by the Town Attorney requesting compliance, with a deadline of November 1, 2008. Selectman Wheeler indicated that he would contact the homeowner notifying him of the forthcoming letter.

Ann Marie indicated that a homeowner in Beebe River had not accepted receipt of a certified letter from the Town concerning boarding his property for safety concerns. The Board of Selectmen agreed to have the Police Department deliver the letter to the property owner. The Board then thanked Charles Brosseau for appearing.

Ann Marie and Butch Bain will be attending a meeting on Wednesday, in Plymouth, with FEMA, regarding possible monies to be received due to the storms in August.

Ann Marie stated a notice was received regarding a State Surplus Auction to be held on October 18, 2008. Copies of this notice have been given to the Road Agent and Police Chief Warn. Ann Marie will check with Chief Warn to see if the old unmarked cruiser is going to the auction.

A notice was received from NH Climate Change Policy Task Force regarding a public listening session. The session is scheduled at the Lin-Wood High School, on September 29, 2008, between 6 and 9 p.m. The uniqueness to this conference is the videoconferencing is a live, two-way, interactive, audio-visual connection via the internet, which allows multiple sites to simultaneously participate in a conference without having the expense of traveling great distances to the originating conference site.

A notice was received from Campton Historical Society regarding their Program Night scheduled for Monday, September 22, 2008, at 7:30 p.m. with guest speaker Marcia Schmidt Blaine regarding Tavern Keeping and Public Approval.

Ann Marie indicated correspondence had been received from Laura Spector, Town Attorney, regarding State of NH v. Clark v. Town of Campton. Attorney Spector reiterated to the State Attorney General's Office that the Town does not intend to significantly contribute to the remediation efforts pertaining to the property. Also a letter was received from Attorney Latici regarding Town of Campton and Beebe River Village District v. Hamblett & Kerrigan, PA. pertaining to a Mediation to be held October 17, 2008, at 1:30 p.m. Selectman Cheney will attend the Mediation and will make arrangements to meet with Attorney Latici before the Mediation. Also, a copy of a Motion to Extend Deadlines was received in this matter.

Ann Marie announced that a letter was received from NH DOT acknowledging that the painting of the bridge on NH Rt 49 over the Pemigewasset River has been completed.

Ann Marie stated that Mr. James Stetson presented a letter to the Board of Selectmen regarding acquiring the Board's permission to access Town land to reach Beebe River. Mr. Stetson's intent is to do some prospecting that he does as a hobby. Selectman Marsh

Morgan indicated that a dry hydrant was on the property and obviously they would not want Mr. Stetson to block the hydrant with his vehicle. The Board agreed on permitting Mr. Stetson this access as long as he does not block the dry hydrant with his vehicle.

Chair Davis proceeded to move for a motion to approve the Minutes and Non Public Session Minutes from the previous meeting. After 5 revisions were noted; a Motion was made by Selectman Wheeler to approve the Minutes and Non Public Session Minutes (as revised), seconded by Selectman Marsh Morgan; the Minutes and Non Public Sessions Minutes were approved.

Chair Davis went on to Other Business/Selectmen's Input. Chair Davis suggested to the Board that they meet with the Campton School Board regarding the budget and "working together". The Campton School Board's next meeting is October 14th and starts at 6:30 p.m. Chair Davis expressed the hope of trying to get the loan due date of July 3 moved to August or even September. She felt this could be accomplished by working with Citizen's Bank and would have a positive effect on the Town budget.

Chair Davis also discussed setting a time and date for the dedication to Edward Pattee of the Town Garage Building. This date has been set for Saturday, November 1, 2008, at 10:00 a.m. Ann Marie will notify the family and Road Agent, Butch Bain.

Selectman Cheney discussed the discrepancy that occurred at the Election last Tuesday pertaining to the counting of the ballots. Chair Davis also stated she made some observations while at the Election that she would like to discuss. It was agreed by the Board that they would like to meet with Moderator, Dick Giehl and Town Clerk, Hannah Joyce to discuss.

Ann Marie reviewed the Tracking Report and stated that she would contact Conklin & Reynolds for a progress report regarding title work on Beebe River. Selectman Keeney indicated that the electrical pole is up and ready for work to proceed on the well at Blair Cemetery.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned by a Motion from Selectman Charles Wheeler, and seconded by Selectman Charles Cheney, at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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