

MINUTES

SELECTMEN'S MEETING

MARCH 28, 2016

The Board of Selectmen met for their weekly meeting at 6:30 p.m. at the Campton Municipal Building. Present were Selectmen, Peter Laufenberg, Sharon Davis, Charles Wheeler, Charles Cheney, Karl Kelly, and Carina Park, Town Administrator, and Eleanor Dewey, Office Assistant and recorder. During the work session, the Board signed the manifests and reviewed the bills. The Board signed 1 Veteran's Exemption, 1 Sign Permit and 1 Lessee Resolution.

Call to Order: Chair Laufenberg called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Chair Laufenberg confirmed with Carina that there were no revisions to the agenda this evening. Members of the Public who were present at the meeting were: Robert Bain, Ron Farnsworth, Gerard J. Boyle, Barbara Mullen, Joe Heise and Tim Scanlon.

Approval of Minutes: Chair Laufenberg inquired if there were any revisions or concerns regarding the Public Minutes and Non-public Minutes of March 21, 2016. There being no revisions or concerns, Chair Laufenberg called for a Motion to approve the Public and Non-public Minutes as written. The Motion was so moved by Selectman Davis, seconded by Selectman Wheeler, and with a roll call vote, the 2 sets of Minutes were unanimously approved.

Correspondence: Carina informed the Board that she spoke with Frank McClean, Executive Director of Pemi-Valley Habitat for Humanity (PVHH) and she also received an email from him confirming that PVHH is seeking suggestions for a family in Campton that is (meeting specific income level criteria) in need of assistance with exterior home repairs which might involve painting, windows, doors, porch, handicap ramps, yard cleanup, light siding work and landscaping. The budget allowed for such would be approximately \$5,000.00 or lower; however, there would be need to identify the ability of the family to repay PVHH's interest free loan. Carina has asked that May Brosseau be contacted as she would be a good source and Mr. McClain has also made inquiry to Selectman Davis for her assistance as well.

New Business: Chair Laufenberg called on Gerard Boyle who owns property on Page Hill Road and he explained that he is at the meeting this evening along with Barbara Mullen and Joe Heise representing Page Hill Association. Their concern was the poor condition of the road, i.e. lack of drainage causing washouts, culvert problems and vegetation that grows out into the road. Mr. Boyle expressed their major concern was that if the road was not paved soon it would erosion would cause more issues. Mr. Boyle inquired as to what the prognosis of the road is. Chair Laufenberg called on Robert "Butch" Bain to address the issues. Mr. Bain mentioned that the Highway Department has started flushing the drains and shoulder work has been started. There seemed to be a discrepancy about an area of washout as Mr. Bain explained the area (he thought was the area in question) was already corrected; however, Mr. Boyle stated it was not. Mr. Bain will view the site again. Mr. Bain explained that because of his Department being understaffed, at present, he won't be able to get out to Page Hill Road immediately; however, he stated the trimming and ditching is on the agenda for this year and when he has a full staff

in April he anticipates his crew can start the work. As far as paving, the Board explained that the paving schedule for this year has already been established. It was explained that the time for Page Hill Association to address the paving with the Road Agent and the Board is when the Highway Department's Proposed 2017 Budget is on the Selectmen's agenda and there are two budget hearings for the public to attend to address concerns. The Board suggested Mr. Boyle contact Carina Park, Town Administrator in early October, 2016, to get the exact dates. Mr. Boyle thanked the Board for their time and assistant.

Old Business: Chair Laufenberg called on Tim Scanlon regarding the 2016 Planning Board re-appointment. Chair Laufenberg explained that the Board is meeting with all appointees and reappoints for vacancies in all Departments and Mr. Scanlon's appointment is up for re-appointment this year. Chair Laufenberg explained that is the reason why Mr. Scanlon was asked to appear this evening. The Board made inquiries as to why Mr. Scanlon was interested in the vacancy, his views on a CIP and views regarding encouraging development (including large development) and new businesses in the Town. After discussion, the Board unanimously agreed to sign Mr. Scanlon's re-appointment this evening. Carina explained that Mr. Scanlon's next step is to take the appointment to the Town Clerk's Office so that he can be sworn in. The Board thanked Mr. Scanlon for coming in this evening.

New Business: Chair Laufenberg continued the meeting by acknowledging the Notice of Insufficiency Petition received pertaining to the condition of specified dirt roads in the vicinity of Bog Road and Beech Hill Road. Selectman Davis reminded the Board that back in February, Mr. Bain requested that the Board authorize an early road ban due to the warm climate conditions this year. The Board did not give permission for an early ban. With this in mind, Selectman Davis expressed that this decision hindered the dirt road conditions in the questioned area. She further expressed the need to stop micro managing. Chair Laufenberg then called on Robert "Butch" Bain regarding this matter. Mr. Bain explained that his staff has been out working on the roads in question and while it is still too early to grade, stone and gravel and raking has been done. His crew has worked on Easter Sunday and repairs have been made and a plan has been implemented and documented for further plans for maintenance issues. Mr. Bain stated that Fire Chief Dan Defosses has driven the roadways in questions and has confirmed, in writing, that fire apparatus would be capable of getting to an emergency without hindrance due to road conditions. Fire Chief Defosses also stated that if he or his staff comes across a section of roadway that is impassible with fire apparatus, it is the Fire Department's practice to immediately notify the Road Agent. Discussion ensued, i.e. road ban, signage, the adopting of a Bad Weather Policy and questioning the term "insufficiency" and the lack of "insufficiencies" being specifically identified, and addressing the "entirety" of certain dirt roads being brought up to safe conditions. Selectman Cheney expressed that the Road Agent is doing a good job and he did not feel that the Road Agent is being micro managed. After discussion, the Board concurred that the Notice of Insufficiency Petition demands have been met with plans for the implementation of a Bad Weather Policy, addressing and repairing has been performed (with documentation of those repairs) and future maintenance plans, in writing, have been created. Notice will be given, in writing, to the Campton Citizens for Safe Roads regarding compliance of the Town in response to the Petition. Also, concerned individuals have the opportunity to attend the preliminary budget hearings in early October/November

(specific dates not established at present) to address their concerns. Carina Park, Town Administrator, can be contacted later on in the year to acquire the exact dates of these public budget meetings. Carina will research a Bad Weather Policy for drafting.

Non-public Session in accordance with RSA 91-A: 3, II (a-i): Chair Laufenberg called on Selectman Wheeler who made a Motion to go into Non-public Session under RSA 91-A: 3, II (a-i) pertaining to legal matters. The Motion was seconded by Selectman Kelly, and with a roll call vote: Selectman Davis – aye, Selectman Kelly – aye, Selectman Laufenberg – aye, Selectman Wheeler – aye, and Selectman Cheney – aye, the Board went into Non-public Session at 7:45 p.m. The Board came out of Non-public Session at 7:55 p.m.

Board Concerns and Directives: There were none.

Adjourn: There being no further business, Chair Laufenberg declared the meeting adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Eleanor M. Dewey, Office Assistant in the Selectmen’s Office and Recorder