

SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES

February 8, 2016

The meeting opened at 7:00 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Attendees included Stephen McGerty, Selectman, Margo Santoro, Selectperson, James Coffey, Town Administrator, Harry Power, Compliance Officer and Patricia Putnam, Administrative Assistant. Others attending were Dean Huber, Linda Clark and Beverly Power. John Halter was absent and Steve McGerty acted as Chairman.

APPOINTMENTS:

7:00 Harry Power – 3 building permits for Solar Panels:

1. Tax Map # 410, Lot # 25 – Ray Marotta, 36 Holly Way – 2 Solar panels – approved
2. Tax Map # 414, Lot # 6.2 – Louis Heck, II – 565 Center Pond Road – 19 Solar panels – approved
3. Tax Map # 117, Lot # 10 – Richard Scofield, 272 Scenic Drive – 20 Solar panels – approved

SELECTMEN'S COMMENTS:

1. Steve McGerty reported on the Fire Marshall's inspection of the Davis Public Library. The Fire Marshall called for an additional exit light and for a light to be installed at the back of the building, outside. The custodian will be advised to change the way he is removing snow from the door so as not to leave snow accumulated in front of a secondary door.

2. Steve McGerty reported that the smoke house at the Transfer Station hasn't been used in a good many years and David Vaillancourt requested that it be removed to provide more space to place dumpsters. The board agreed to have the Fire Department remove it.

SIGNED/APPROVED:

1. Accounts Payable Manifest
2. BOS Board Meeting Minutes of 1/25/2016
3. 2015 DRA Equalization Data Certificate
4. Payroll Change Authorizations-5 New Fire Fighters & Rescue
5. Payroll Change Authorizations—2 for Town Clerk Staff
6. Pistol/Revolver License (1)
7. Appointment of Dian Matthews as a Commissioner to the SWRPC
8. Application from Stoddard Congregational Church to use Town Hall for a ham & bean supper on March 12, 2016

All the above were signed

PUBLIC QUESTIONS & COMMENTS: Linda Clark asked if the sign at the Fire Station could be used for town community announcements. Steve McGerty and Margo Santoro assured her that it was available. She would like to post a reminder to license dogs by April 30th.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Letter from Jim Coffey to Paul Newman, Merriewoode. – Jim Coffey reported he had sent a letter to Paul Newman, previously emailed to the board members. Jim Coffey related that the property owners affected are going to file a lawsuit on Merriewoode Village to gain access to their property. In the meantime, the Town will remove the gate.
2. Copy of letter from Jim Coffey to Fish & Game director relative to bobcat hunting – just noting that a letter was sent in opposition to the proposed bobcat hunting proposal.
3. Medical Resource Hospital Agreement Stoddard Fire & Rescue – The board approved

Jim Coffey sending the agreement in with his signature.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Town Clerk staff raise policy – the payroll authorization forms were submitted to allow for a raise to the Deputy Town Clerk and the Assistant Town Clerk.
2. Email inquiring about use of Town Hall and Gazebo for a wedding. It was decided that the Gazebo would be used rent free and the Town Hall will be rented and a deposit will be held until the custodian assures that the hall is cleaned. Discussing the rental fee – Steve McGerty moved and Margo Santoro seconded to raise the rental fee to \$100.00, the board approved. The Town Hall Rental Form will be updated to reflect the following number of attendees that can use the building at any one time:
 1. 154 people with chairs only
 2. 225 people with standing only
 3. 78 people with chairs and tables
3. Letter from NHMA about disposal of member legal files. These are old files of legal advice given to the town prior to 1/31/2010. The board did not want any of the items back and New Hampshire Municipal Association will destroy them.
4. Discuss old welfare lien with Administrator – Margo Santoro related that the only outstanding welfare lien was against a property where the owner has passed away and the bank has a mortgage on it and will be deciding if they will take it. There is no well or septic system on the property. The lien has been recorded at the Cheshire County
5. The quarterly meeting of the Southwest Regional Planning Commission will be held on 2/16. Jim Coffey, Steve McGerty, John Halter and Margo Santoro will attend.

OTHER CORRESPONDENCE:

1. SWRPC Highlights & Happenings-Discuss Quarterly Meeting
2. Email from Brad Simpkins, use of a town meeting room. The Fire Warden will be using the Red Room in the Gould House for a private meeting on March 4 at 1:00. The board agreed to that usage
3. Minutes of Zoning Board site visit.
4. Water test results for Library, Town Offices and Town Hall. Jim Coffey reported that all tests for the water in the Gould House, Davis Public Library and Town Hall have passed with only elevated iron and manganese. All water is potable.

ADJOURN: Margo Santoro moved and Steve McGerty seconded to adjourn at 6:25 in order to attend a bond hearing and budget hearing at the school, the board agreed.

Respectfully submitted:

Patricia E. Putnam
Administrative Assistant

Approved:

Stephen McGerty

Margo Santoro

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5:45 - Harry Power

No Appointments-Board to attend School Bond & Budget Hearing at conclusion of meeting (6:30 P.M.)

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