#### **SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES**

May 9, 2016

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

Attendees included John Halter, Selectman Chair, Stephen McGerty, Selectman, Margo Santoro, Selectperson, James Coffey, Town Administrator, Harry Power, Compliance Officer and Patricia Putnam, Administrative Assistant. Several members of the public were in attendance.

#### APPOINTMENTS:

7:00 Harry Power – Harry reported a phone call from James Elliott informing him that a letter would be forthcoming from Nancy Murdough (his Mother) concerning Tax Map # 408, Lot # 05 addressing Harry's concern with the seasonal to year round use of the house.

Tax Map # 424, Lot # 16 -Daniel Schreck –103 Arkwood Lane, barn, approved

Tax Map # 423, Lot # 5.2 – Jeremy Hamilton, 65 Jackson Road, Utility Shed. Approved, pending receipt of the check for fees.

Tax Map # 105, Lots 39 & 40 – Gerianne & Mark Bailey, 110 Power Line Road, Deck & stairs – approved

Tax Map # 411, Lot # 3 Douglas & Jocelyn Summerson, 120 King's Highway – existing shed approved

Tax Map # 135. Lot # 4 Charles & Rosemarie Booth, 325 Route 123 North, shed – approved

Tax Map # 112, Lot #2 Harry Fifield, 53 North Circle – solar – approved (the Selectmen held a discussion concerning solar installations and wanted applicants to understand that the equipment is taxable. Jim Coffey noted that the Town has not adopted any exemption for solar)

Tax Map # 415, Lot # 37 Edward Kingsbury, Jr. Off Center Pond Road on Protection Road – cabin – approved – noted that the property is 100% in current use and will be assessed a penalty for withdrawing some of the parcel from Current Use.

Tax Map # 123, Lot # 9 – James & Beverly Cardoza – Off Champney Road – building permit being held for update from the surveyor

Tax Map #420, Lot # 17 – Stephen & Diana Rokes – replacing building – Harry sent to the Zoning Board of Adjustment because of set back issues

Harry Power noted that this makes 55 Building Permits he has handled since July 1, 2015. 7:40 – OPEN Session:

Chris Madden reported that there are drainage issues on Shedd Hill Road causing problems on his property. He noted that a culvert is collapsing and David Vaillancourt needs to check out the situation. The Board will notify David Vaillancourt of the concern.

Linda Clark was checking to make sure all is a go for Voting on Tuesday. The board discussed the Town Clerk's office hours on an election day. No consensus was reached, so the current practice will continue. John Halter thought that cancelling the afternoon hours, though not discussed, might solve the problem as that is the busiest time for voters and registration work.

#### SELECTMEN'S COMMENTS:

Margo Santoro reported that the Planning Board is confused about Lot Line Adjustments vs Subdivisions and wants to create a separate application and fee schedule for Lot Line Adjustments. The board thought that the Planning Board has the authority to create such an application and fee schedule.

John Halter reported that Joseph Sarcione had called him and reported the town had met the minimum for the FEMA grant and that the application had been forwarded from FEMA to DRED. Joseph Sarcione also requested that Forestry be provided a town map that shows both roads and topography. This is his second request for that map. He also requested a copy of the E-911 maps.

SIGNED/APPROVED:

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- 2. Correction requested to minutes of April 11, 2016, by Geri Bailey
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- 4. Notice of Intent to Cut, 410-09 Andorra Forest, LP
- 5. Eva Lane Lot Owners Association, Request to use Town Hall for their Annual Meeting.
- 6. Pistol/Revolver License
- 7. Payroll Authorization for Firefighter Connor Bunker
- 8. Payroll Authorization for Firefighter Wayne Hall

All the above were signed.

# PUBLIC QUESTIONS & COMMENTS: None

# OLD BUSINESS:

1. Motion to Dismiss to Superior Court on behalf of Stoddard by Attorney Matt Serge, Ward v. Town of Stoddard.

2. Correspondence from Attorney Serge to Administrator Jim Coffey. Jim Coffey, Dian Mathews and Paul Krampfert will meet at 9:00 at the Superior Court to attend the hearing.

3. Discuss status of brush fire expenses with Administrator. The board will pay David Jones as a contractor for his participation in the brush fire. Jim Coffey reported that Brad Simpkins is requesting any information on the Route 123 North brush fire.

4. Review Warrant for Annual Meeting. The board agreed to meet on May 16, 2016 @ 7:00 to discuss which board member will move which article.

5. Suggested "Town Emails" Jim Coffey will Email the list to the Board.

6. Discuss sale of tax deeded property back to owner's family next week. Steve McGerty moved and Margo Santoro seconded to authorize John Halter to sign the Tax Deed Sale back to the Owner's Family, the board approved.

## NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. Request from Peter Thayer of Marlow for Stoddard to consider working with other area towns and CVTC for a scheduled transportation service into Keene for various services. This service would be aimed toward seniors and persons with disabilities. This service is just in the exploring idea at this time. The group is applying for grants to cover the costs.
- 2. Letter asking questions about building requirements. This letter was turned over to Harry Power for his answer.
- 3. Application for Veteran's tax Credit and Elderly Exemption, discuss with Administrator. The Veteran's Exemption was approved and the Elderly Exemption was denied at this time due to the lack of information necessary to consider it.
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# OTHER CORRESPONDENCE:

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- 2. Letter from Harry Power to James Elliott addressing the status of a season property septic system that was discussed at the prior Selectmen's meeting.
- 3. Notice of meeting from DOT meeting on paving schedule for area roads.
- 4. James Knight submitted a certification of liability on the restoration of town property due to filling of wetlands that the town owns.

5. Notice of a meeting by Southwest Regional Planning Commission

ADJOURN: Margo Santoro moved and Steve McGerty seconded to adjourn at 9:05, the board agreed.

Respectfully submitted:

Patricia E. Putnam Administrative Assistant

Approved:

John Halter

Stephen McGerty

Margo Santoro

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### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

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