

SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES

August 31, 2015

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. Several members of the public were in attendance.

APPOINTMENTS:

7:00 - Harry Power - Harry reported that the Cell Tower application has been approved by the Zoning Board of Adjustment and the Planning Board. He is awaiting a signed Road Waiver prior to issuing the building permit. He has received the required approval from the Fire Department. Harry also praised the Chairpersons of the Zoning Board of Adjustment and the Planning Board. He noted that they both are very professional in all their dealings with the boards and public.

Building Permits:

Tax Map # 127, Lot # 48 – Randall Emerson, Anderson Road, replacement of a house, approved.

Tax Map # 110, Lot # 24 – James & Dawn Smith, Holly Way, 24 X 24 garage approved

Tax Map # 127, Lot # 42 – David Reese, Penny Lane, replace rotted deck approved

Tax Map # 102, Lot # 54 – Gary & Paula Carmichael – Valley Road Extension – building permit held, Harry is taking it to the Planning Board on 9/1. He will also need a road waiver due to the placement of the property past the town maintained portion of Valley Road. Jim Coffey asked for a drawing of where the driveway would be placed, in order to get a house # assigned by CAI.

7:15 - Karen Bell - did not appear

7:30 - David Vaillancourt - Tree Cutting – David reported that he has built a tree removal account into his budget and has many trees that are of concern, not only on Shedd Hill Road. It was decided to have David go and mark the most seriously compromised trees and then the bidding process will be started anew. David will check with Jim Coffey to make a list of the most dangerous trees. It was agreed that an ongoing removal list should be established and funded in future years, under the Highway Budget.

SELECTMEN'S COMMENTS:

Steve McGerty reported that, after Jim Coffey consulted with Primex, our liability insurance provider, he has been advised to consider all injured or seriously ill personnel as not ready to return to duty until there has been a Doctor's affidavit certifying that any Fire or Rescue Member is fit for duty.

TO BE SIGNED/APPROVED:

1. Accounts Payable Manifest
2. P/R Manifest
3. BOS Board Meeting Minutes of 8/24/2015
4. Pistol Permits (4)
5. MS-535

All the above were signed

PUBLIC QUESTIONS & COMMENTS:

1. Linda Clark reported that the front door of the Town Hall was locked but not shut tightly after the last board meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Discuss pending tax deeding with Administrator – Jim Coffey reported that there has been no payments made on the two properties that the Board did not deed. The board decided to begin the process to Tax Sale those properties. There will have to be an eviction process, since they are both occupied. The third property is held by a bank, taken in bankruptcy action. There has been no attempt to pay the back taxes. Jim Coffey reported that Atty. Serge has researched the deed and found that the bankruptcy did take the property but the bank did not record that seizure. Ellen Mason will start the noticing process to prepare for a Tax Sale on that property. It was felt that that property should be sold as soon as the tax sale is completed.

2. Discuss sidewalk railing, and other misc. items. Jim Coffey reported that he has a verbal quote on installing a railing along the eastern side of the new ramp. The railings will be commercial grade steel with black paint. There was discussion on whether there should be granite post uprights but it was felt that the price would be considerably more than the quote of not over \$4,000.00. The board required that the railings be powder coated to provide a maintenance free surface. On other business, Jim Coffey will see that the paint along the bottom of the stage be touched up. The paint over the entrance to the Town Hall will be replaced and the door switch over will be done also.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. MS-434, Revised Estimated Revenues
2. Steve McGerty requested 3 no parking signs, with posts, be ordered for in front of each dry fire hydrant. The board agreed.

OTHER CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Approved MS-1 Extension – Jim Coffey reported that the School and Granite Lake Village District have submitted their forms and the MS-1 extension has been approved for the Town's portion of submittals for tax rate setting. Jim Coffey noted that the Town's assessing work should be completed by the end of September.
2. Street policy meeting
3. ZBA, Notice of Public Rehearing – due to the abutting neighbor' concerns on overnight parking.
4. CASA correspondence
5. Letter from Harry Power to Mr. Blomberg – Harry reminded Mr. Blomberg of the requirement to have an approved building permit prior to any construction.
6. Department of Environmental Services - Lake Test Results
7. Department of Environmental Services - Culvert Replacement notice, Route 123 North – between the Fire Station and Island Pond

ADJOURN: Margo Santoro moved and Steve McGerty seconded to adjourn at 8:11, the board approved.

Respectfully submitted:

Patricia E. Putnam
Administrative Assistant

Approved:

John Halter

Stephen McGerty

Margo Santoro

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