

SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES OF 3-31-2014

Submitted by stoddard on Mon, 03/31/2014 - 1:35pm.

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March 31, 2014

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

Attendees included Arnie Stymest, Selectman, John Halter, Selectman, Stephen McGerty, Selectman Chairman, Harry Power, Compliance Officer, Jim Coffey, Town Administrator and Patricia Putnam, Administrative Assistant. Also attending were David Vaillancourt, Joe Sarcione, Everett & Keitha Richer, Mr. & Mrs. Chris Madden, Carol K. & Dean Huber.

APPOINTMENTS:

1. Harry Power - nothing
2. 7:30 PM - reopened the public hearing on the Shedd Hill Road Parking Issue.

Chris Madden thought there should be parking on one side only but not encroaching private property.

Steve McGerty reported speaking to the owner of the Marina and the Boat repair facility and found each was receptive to the parking ban.

Melissa Madden express concern about congestion along the road.

Chris Madden suggested the Site Plan for the boat repair facility be consulted to learn about no boats being stored outside.

Joe Sarcione noted that the Fire Department's concern is getting equipment through and

finding the boat landing crowded so they can not get a boat backed around to launch. The area is also used for parking for owners with property on the islands.

Chris Madden noted that enforcement would be a nightmare.

David Vaillancourt suggested no overnight parking and no parking on the boat landing property. Arnie Stymest suggested trying one side parking along the Shedd Hill Road, on the West Side. David Vaillancourt suggested only one side parking from the boat landing back to the new parking area for the Stoddard Rocks. Parking would be allowed on the East side of the road. The signs will read, "No overnight parking for trailers - Tow Away Zone" at the boat landing and "No Parking - Tow Away Zone" along the road itself.

Harry Power reported that the Town had been notified of a 2009 complaint from NH Fish and Game where they could not access the boat landing to launch their boat. He also noted that the Town owns 2 rods (33 feet) and as such, the town owns where folks have been parking.

Arnie Stymest said to try the plan.

John Halter said to try the plan.

Steve McGerty agreed to try the plan.

David Vaillancourt will research how many signs are required and at what intervals.

Arnie Stymest moved and John Halter seconded to close the Public Hearing at 7:55 PM, the board approved.

TO BE SIGNED/APPROVED:

1. Accounts Payable Manifest
2. P/R Manifest
3. BOS meeting minutes of 3-24-2014

All above were signed.

4. Fire Department Grant from March 10, 2014 - John Halter moved and Arnie Stymest

seconded to re-affirm the approval of the grant, the board agreed.

RUDIMENTARY QUESTIONS: Dean Huber asked what effect the cutting of a substantial amount against the budget would do to the functioning of the town. Jim Coffey explained that it would fall to the Board of Selectmen to decide where to cut the operation budget by department. If a department found it could not function, the board is able to move money from another operation budget to allow that department to continue functioning.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. 2014 Budget - it was decided to hold a work session on the budget next Monday, April 7, 2014.
2. Any Open Items

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Correspondence from Maria Gavin and the LGC / Holland v. Stoddard - an email indicating that the Federal Court has dismissed the Holland law suit. It is thought that some legal fees might be refunded. The LGC is looking into that reimbursement.
2. Request to abate / refund \$10.20 due to a calculation error - Board signed the abatement.
3. Fred Ward v. Town of Stoddard, RSA 91-A:7 - Arnie Stymest moved and John Halter second to have Jim Coffey work with Atty. Jeff Spear on the pending litigation, the board approved with Steve McGerty opposed.
4. The board held a discussion on the Annual Town Report layout and content.

SELECTMEN'S COMMENTS:

1. Steve McGerty asked when the Alarm System would be implemented. Jim Coffey said when the training sessions are completed. Arnie Stymest wanted to know who would be responsible for answering alarm call. It was agreed that there should be a call tree so

someone was always available to respond.

2. Steve McGerty asked about removal of the tree on the Carlisle/Town line. It was agreed that Frank Stuckey should remove the tree before it leaves out. Mr. Carlisle is to remove the debris left from his tearing down the playhouse, on Town property, that he found offensive and had torn down. That debris remains in a pile and must be removed prior to the tree being removed.

3. Steve McGerty reported that Virginia GrandPre discovered rat poison pellets in her drawer and concluded there must be a key being used to enter the Town Clerk's Office. After general discussion, it was concluded that a mouse probably stored the pellets in the enclosed area for future use.

OTHER CORRESPONDENCE:

None

ADJOURN: Arnie Stymest moved and John Halter seconded to adjourn at 8:35 PM, the board approved.

Respectfully submitted:

Patricia E. Putnam

Administrative Assistant

Approved:

Stephen McGerty

Arnie Stymest

John Halter

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