

SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES

January 11, 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 and Patricia Putnam, Administrative Assistant. Dean Huber was also in attendance. John Halter was ill and could not attend and Steve McGerty chaired the meeting.

APPOINTMENTS:

7:00 None – Harry Power is laid up with a broken leg.

SELECTMEN'S COMMENTS:

1. Steve McGerty said he was coordinating with Dean Huber to thread the hookup for a generator to the outside of the Town Hall. The Fire Department has an extra generator that would be stored in the Gould House basement for easy access in the event of loss of power.
2. Steve McGerty asked what the difference between a 25 X 25 shed being placed on his property (for example) and having a 40' box trailer placed there. The assessor would pick up the shed or box trailer and assess it accordingly, if the box trailer was not registered.
3. Steve McGerty asked about progress on the panic alarm for the Gould House and Town Hall. Jim Coffey is looking into a provider for that application.
4. Margo Santoro asked that the next meeting include a discussion on absences of Selectmen.

SIGNED/APPROVED:

1. Accounts Payable Manifest
2. BOS Board Meeting Minutes of December 14, 2015
3. Dean Huber Appointment as an alternate to the ZBA
4. Appointment of Harry Power as Perambulator
5. Pistol/Revolver Permit
6. Use of Town Hall by the Friends of the Davis Public Library on January 29th.

All the above were signed with the exception of a second signature on the minutes, as John Halter was not present and was the second Selectman at that meeting.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS & COMMENTS: None

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Discuss with Administrator lowering of Nye Meadow by NH DOT – Jim Coffey is to write to the New Hampshire Department of Transportation, New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services and the Audubon Society concerning the Beaver Dam removal at Nye Meadow. The dam was removed by a rubber tired excavator and the New Hampshire Department of Transportation is going to place a beaver deceiver in the spring. This deceiver is placed in the bottom of a dam and it stops water sounds to stop the beavers from building their dams. The beavers will then build on top of the deceiver. The deceiver allows water to trickle quietly and that will stop flooding of Route 9 and allow control of silt flowing into Granite Lake.
2. Letter from James W. Knight, Shoreland Protection Act restoration – notification of application

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Discuss snow removal – The Fire Department and Town Hall need to be plowed by a

straight (vs. V) plow to stop piling up snow in front of the bay doors and along the front of the Town Hall. The plowing operation needs to be done early enough so as to be done prior to when staff is scheduled to arrive.

2. Discuss with Administrator recent furnace repair at Town Hall – Irving Energy recently repaired the furnace at the Town Hall. The repairman indicated that the expansion tank was waterlogged and was about to start leaking onto the floor.
3. Discuss temperature and moisture monitor for Town Hall – Jim Coffey will contact La Cross Company to get an estimate to install temperature and moisture control indicators to notify a designated person to failure of the furnace or leakage onto the floor. Margo Santoro moved and Steve McGerty seconded to have Jim Coffey go ahead and set up for the Town Hall and Gould House to have the monitors installed, and to recommend that the Library have the monitors installed also, the board agreed.
4. Request from Tax Collector to abate interest from Issue 1 taxes for the Forest Society. The Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests did not receive the first issue tax bill and the Tax Collector is asking for an abatement of the accrued interest. Margo Santoro moved and Steve McGerty seconded to abate the interest, the board agreed.
5. Proposal for refinishing stage floor and to apply two coats and buff main floor, from Clem's Floor Sanding – Clem's submitted a bid of \$730.00 to refinish the stage floor and \$1,200.00 to clean, refurbish and seal the main hall floor. Steve McGerty moved and Margo Santoro seconded to have Clem's do the work, the board approved.
6. City of Keene proposal for 2016-2017 Hazardous Waste, 24 collections. The cost for 7/1/2016 – 6/30/2017 is \$898.00. The board agreed to put that into the budget for next year.
7. Wetlands Permit by Notification for a seasonal dock, Map 137, Lot 17 – Jim Coffey reported that the permit for the wetlands application was completed correctly but that the Chairman of the Conservation Commission signed it without taking it to the Commission for review. Jim Coffey said he has not had any minutes to indicate that a meeting has been held recently. Jim Coffey will write a letter to the Conservation Commission expressing the board's concern on this practice.
8. Bobcat Hunting Hearing by Fish & Game – Margo Santoro is planning on attending the public hearing on allowing trapping and hunting of Bobcats in New Hampshire. She will be representing the Town as Animal Control Officer and Selectperson and will report that several of her constituents have spoken to her of their concerns.
9. Steve McGerty reported that the insurance company that covers the Liberty Utilities, where there was a malfunction of the city gas in Keene, will be reimbursing the Stoddard for the Fire Department members that attended that alarm.

OTHER CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Motion to ZBA from Fred Ward for Mr. Mike's Rehearing – the contents were read and placed on file.
2. Training letter from Primex – There are several workshops that may be of interest to Firefighters in town so the notification was given to the Fire Chief for posting at the Fire Station.
3. Restraining Order Modification from 8th Circuit – Keene – A written court order will follow to outline what will be allowed for public officials of the Town of Stoddard concerning this issue.
4. Correspondence from U.S. Department of Commerce – thank you letter for submitting their census information
5. Davis Library closet ceiling repair, donation – Jonalyn & Kenneth Young bid of \$150 to repair the ceiling in the old closet and they then called it a donation and would not accept payment. Jim Coffey read the letter that the library sent to the Youngs.
6. Waste Management Insurance Certificate

7. Primex property and liability coverage improvements – improved coverage has been added

ADJOURN: Steve McGerty moved and Margo Santoro seconded to adjourn at 8:37 PM, the board agreed.

Respectfully submitted:

Patricia E. Putnam
Administrative Assistant

Approved:

Stephen McGerty

Margo Santoro

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