

## SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES

May 14, 2018

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

Attendees included Margo Santoro, Selectperson, Christopher Madden, Chairman of Selectmen, Charles Fosberry, Selectman, 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

1. Tax Map # 115, Lot # 82 - Constance Lester, 116 Beaver Lake Drive, house – approved
2. Tax Map # 422, Lot # 07 - Matthew & Karen Gallo, 80 Richer Road – replacing single wide trailer with a double wide mobile home - holding for septic system upgrade plans
3. Tax Map # 112, Lot # 21 - Kristin (Vance) McCormick, 340 Tigola Trail, 24 X 24 Barn - approved
4. Tax Map # 422, Lot # 19 - Daniel & Kim Shawver, 980 Route 9 - They are holding off until the ZBA considers their request for a variance
5. Tax Map # 120, Lot # 08.2 - Gregg & Gail Prescott, 192 Fox Run Road – garage located 15' from property line, ZBA approved variance – approved
6. Harry received a complaint from Pam Ross concerning a flatbed trailer on Ben Wilder's property – Harry inspected to find the trailer gone

### SELECTMEN'S COMMENTS:

1. Harry Power received a complaint from Dominic Busto concerning an abandoned 5th wheel camper believed to be David Young's property. Jim Coffey will check the situation out.
2. Margo Santoro asked, if the Ambulance warrant article does not pass, will Antrim Ambulance still handle our town. Steve McGerty said he thought they would.
3. Margo Santoro asked, if the town owns a piece of property on Chalet Drive, why it hasn't been sold for tax lien. Jim Coffey didn't remember the town owning anything on that drive. He will check it out.
4. Margo Santoro reported that she had a complaint from Geoffrey Jones concerning the removal of his street light. He asked why the Selectboard had rescinded their approval of removing the light. Chris Madden reported discussing the situation with the neighbors that Mr. Jones said wished to have the lights removed, to find that none of them had been approached by Mr. Jones on the subject. Chris Madden suggested the offending light, outside Mr. Jones' house be fitted to defuse the light showing into the house.
5. Jim Coffey reported receiving a complaint of harassment between 2 neighbors. The board decided to go into non-public session to discuss the problem.
6. Jim Coffey reported that the stretch of road from Turtle Rock Road to Route 123 North was cleaned of several bags of trash by Bob Curnutte. The board was appreciative of his hard work.

### SIGNED/APPROVED:

1. Minutes of April 30
  2. A/P Journal
  3. ALS Intercept Transport Agreement with the City of Keene – Contract starts 7/1/2018.
  4. Re-appointment of Geoff Jones, Helen Tam-Semmens & R. Scott Semmens to the Conservation Commission.
  5. Application for Current Use
- All the above were signed.

#### PUBLIC QUESTIONS & COMMENTS:

1. Steve McGerty asked if Debby McGerty could meet with Jim Coffey – Jim agreed.
2. Steve McGerty asked about the Grainger Account he requested be opened. Jim Coffey said he had called them and they are sending a credit application.
3. Steve McGerty asked about the expenses for damaged clothing at an accident scene. He wanted to know if the trucking company's insurance paid for the costs, would the Fire Department's expense account be off set. Jim Coffey agreed that the insurance refund would be credited to the Fire Department's expense line.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

1. Discuss summer sale of tax deeded properties (4) – there are 2 properties on Barrett Pond Road, 1 on Aten Road and 1 on Turtle Rock Road.
2. Town Hall Railing – Jim Coffey asked 3 contractors for bids on the railing and received 1 back. The bidder is Merrimack County Custom for \$3500. The proposal is for railings on each side of the steps with the bases being set in sonar tubes. The Sonar tubes are not included in the \$3500. Jim Coffey suggested the bidder meet with the board to discuss the project.
3. Kings Highway Speed Monitor - Jim Coffey reported that research he has done shows the cost to run between \$2000 and \$5000. There would have to be an electric supply added to that cost. Doug Summerton reported that he found a solar powered one for \$3500. Jim will bring the issue back to the board at their next meeting. Steve McGerty asked if it was possible to rent one. The general discussion was that a couple towns purchase a portable one and share it.
4. Copy of email to Geoff Jones, CC Chairman, from Administrator regarding certain wetlands applications. Jim Coffey reported that he had reached out to Geoffrey Jones and received a reply indicating he understood the Conservation Commission needed to review the applications.
5. Reminder, CNBRLAC need for representative from Stoddard. So noted by the board.
6. CRL v. Town of Stoddard, BTLA Decision. Jim Coffey reported that BTLA board found in the town's favor.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

1. Tax Collector's Lien
2. Water/Beach sampling by DES to begin May 29.
3. Ordinances being presented for a vote on the ballot – Margo Santoro reported that she had a number of voters asking questions about the Zoning Ordinances and was not allowed to answer them. She suggested that a Planning Board representative be present outside the voting building to answer any questions voters might have.

#### OTHER CORRESPONDENCE:

1. ZBA Minutes for April 26.
2. Notice of street light credit due to changeover to LEDs. Eversource has issued a credit memo for \$1553.90 which the town will take against future street light invoices.
3. Card to Board from Mary Lou Stymest – Chris Madden read the card which thanked the board and any other individual responsible for keeping the dedication of the Town Report a secret until the book was issued and for the appreciation of her work on the town's building grounds.
4. SWRPC Annual Meeting (June 12) notice
5. Invitation to Maplewood Nursing Home groundbreaking ceremony from the County of Cheshire.
6. Stoddard Community Profile – Jim Coffey has placed a link on the web site. There is a lot

of interesting data, including median age groups and median family income, to name but a couple.

NON-PUBLIC SESSION – RSA 91-A: 3II (e)

Go into non-public session at 7:58 PM

Charlie Fosberry – YES

Margo Santoro – YES

Chris Madden – YES

Returned to Public Session @ 8:35 PM. Margo Santoro moved and Chris Madden seconded to seal the minutes until the issue is resolved, the board approved.

ADJOURN: Charlie Fosberry moved and Margo Santoro seconded to adjourn at 8:40 PM, the board approved.

Respectfully submitted:

Patricia E. Putnam  
Administrative Assistant

Approved:

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Margo Santoro

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Chris Madden

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Charles Fosberry

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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

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