

SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES

August 24, 2015

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 asked permission to order a set of updated flood plain maps from the UNH. The cost will be \$220.00. Jim Coffey also noted that the town should be supplying a computer for the use of the Compliance Officer. Harry Power reported that he uses the computer, mainly, for emails. The board approved the purchase of the Flood Maps.

Harry reported that he has received an email from Atty. Maria Gavin with permission to visit the Lorraine Joslyn property to document pieces of equipment that are to be removed.

There was some discussion on the updated list of equipment that is on the Ken Holland property, which must be removed.

Harry Power reported that the Planning Board has approved the Cell Tower application and the remaining items are a letter from the Fire Chief and a Road Waiver.

Harry Power also asked for an updated Cartographic Associates, Inc. list of property owners and a list of properties by road. Jim Coffey said he could show Harry what he has and see if that works for him. Harry will stop by on Wednesday to talk to Jim.

7:15 - Richard Krutt – on record of concerns on Fernwood Road/Christopher Burg. New Septic Install – Mr. Krutt express concerns on the water drainage off upper levels along the top of Fernwood Road. He presented pictures of the damage being done with a slight rain fall and reported that heavy rains produce white water rushing down the hill toward the lake. He expressed concern on the abutting 81 Fernwood Road and on his property at 101 Fernwood Road. He reported that the septic being installed at Mr. Burg's property is 67' from his well but distance, on the septic plans, indicates 80'. He wanted his concerns documented in the minutes.

SELECTMEN'S COMMENTS: None

TO BE SIGNED/APPROVED:

1. Accounts Payable Manifest
2. BOS Board Meeting Minutes of August 10, 2015
3. MS-1 Extension Form

The above items were signed.

4. 2015 Advanced Life Support Agreement with City of Keene (\$1,694.61 annually) – Steve McGerty moved and John Halter seconded to sign the agreement, the board approved.
5. Updated agreement: Town of Stoddard vs. Ken Holland & Lorraine Joslyn – John Halter moved and Steve McGerty seconded to approve the agreement and Harry Power will email Atty. Gavin to proceed with the signature of the same, the board agreed.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS & COMMENTS: None

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Correspondence from Matt Serge, tax abatement status for 2014 appeals. – The Board agreed to have Atty. Serge accept service for the Fairpoint communications.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Letter from DRA relative to tax rate settings and lack of State budget. Letter confirms how rates will be computed to avoid any delays.
2. 20915/2016 Highway Block Grant notification. \$34,730.33
3. Correspondence from Mr. Geoffrey Jones suggesting the removal of 41 dead trees along Shedd Hill Road. Geoff Jones met with the board concerning a list of 41 dead trees that he documented as being high risk of falling, in a 2 mile strip along Shedd Hill Road. The board was given pictures of the trees. Jim Coffey asked who owns the trees – Geoff Jones reported that most of the trees are in the Town's right of way and many show damage from snow plows and backhoes doing drainage work. Geoff Jones also noted that one of the trees is a 100' high – 30" diameter pine tree that is totally dead. He said that tree would require a crane crew to take it down. The board decided to put the job out bid in the Monadnock Shopper News and on the Town's website. The bids will be due on September 21, 2015 @ 5:00 PM.
4. Dog list from clerk to selectmen. This list, as compiled, is not a public record and may not be published. It is unknown why the list was submitted to the Selectmen. Jim Coffey will check with Linda on it.

OTHER CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Correspondence from SWRPC to Selectman McGerty regarding engine braking as part of a municipal ordinance. It was noted that the town has noise enforcement authority on town roads but not on the State Road (Route 123 North) where Jake Brakes are used.
2. Letter from Lake Host Program Point Person, with statistics
3. Notice from DES to owners of Tax Map 137, Lots 14 & 15 for excessive cutting along a shoreline. Mark & Nina Williams on South Street.
4. Notice from DES to owners of Tax Map 137, Lots 17 for over-sized dock without a permit. Stephen Markiewicz on Route 9.
5. Correspondence from Eversource regarding Northern Pass – no action taken
6. SWRPC Highlights
7. Letter from Harris Center to ZBA Chairman relative to Mr. Mike's. Jim Coffey reported talking to the writer and he was satisfied with his explanation.
8. DES water tests (2)

ADJOURN: Steve McGerty moved and John Halter seconded to adjourn at 8:58, the board agreed.

Respectfully submitted:

Patricia E. Putnam
Administrative Assistant

Approved:

John Halter

Stephen McGerty

Margo Santoro

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