Town of Stoddard

**SELECTMEN’S MEETING**

Monday, August 14, 2023

Town Hall – 7:00 PM

**MINUTES**

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ATTENDEES INCLUDE: Christopher Madden – Chair, Robert Fee – Selectmen, Terri LaRoche – Selectmen, Michelle Pong – Town Administrator, Vickie Williams – Secretary and Harry Power – Compliance Officer

GUESTS INCLUDE: Joe Traniello, Stephen McGerty, Dean Huber and Inga Dellea.

APPOINTMENTS:

Harry Power – Compliance Officer

135 – 48 – Trembinski – wrote letter roof going on – new domer and side addition which needs permit. Letter to go in file.

120-17 – Volpe - 10 x 12 shed, new structure and needs permit. Fernwood Road. Letter to go in file.

Has 2 others going before the ZBA.

101-75 – Perotti – replace cottage on existing foundation. Shoreland Permit.

131 – 2 – Dwyer – building garage on existing slab. Cold Storage Only. PD $300.00

103 – 7 – Mauro – 12 x 14 shed. Paid already.

422 – 2.14 – Cass – Solar Panels. Rout 9. PD $50.00

109-6 – Chase – Garage, cold storage only. Rice Brook Road. PD $300.00

424-14 – Fliss – Aten Road – New Dwelling. PD $500.00

101 – 119 & 120 – Hills – Valley Road. Seasonal Camp – new. PD $500.00

126 – 37 – Homeyer – adding 2 batteries for solar charging. PD 50.00

OLD BUSINESS:

Recreation proposal: Inga Dellea

There is $11,000.00 dollars in the account. Would like to start with a survey for the residents to see what type of activities and/or recreation the Town residents would like to see and go from there. Should there be a position in town for someone to run this? The scope of activities?

Inga will do more research and the Survey and present more answers to the Board. Will try to have things ready for a vote at the Town Meeting in May 2024.

Terri LaRoche to clarify matters -  Inga came in with a proposal for a recreation director who through survey and other means could recommend Recreation activities to utilize the money held by the Trustee's.  The Board liked the idea but felt it would be better to Vote on this at Town meeting.  It was agreed that Inga would determine how much money would be needed from the fund to do the survey and come back with that as the Survey would better prepare for a potential warrant article.

TO BE SIGNED/APPROVED:

1. A/R and/or P/R Manifests
2. Minutes of 07-24-2023
3. Non-Public Minutes of 07-24-2023
4. Elderly Exemption
5. Town Hall Rental Application (2)
6. Con Com Letter

**Chris Motioned to Approve the Minutes with typos corrected and to Approve the Non-Public Minutes as written. Motion Carried.**

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Stephen McGerty – What is going on with the direct deposit? It has been tested and works. Direct Deposit will be done in the first pay period of September.

Stephen McGerty – Has anyone talked to Dave about getting a new police officer? No one has spoken with Dave yet, still considering going with the Sherriff’s Department for coverage. Will speak with Dave.

Joe Traniello – Is there a dump update? Michelle is making signs to be posted at the dump station. The new stickers for the dump are being ordered. The rules will be posted on the dump gate and smaller posters on each station withing the transfer station.

Yes - Solar Panels get a tax exemption if applied for.

OLD BUSINESS:

Animal Control Officer Laptop – tabled to the next meeting. Dave has not had time to gather all the facts yet needed.

Center Pond Update – Berm/Swale could use work. Grading the whole road to the left or redirecting directly into the wetlands would need NHDES approval. This will be looked into more.

Road Association Update – There are 2 private road association with the purchase of the land LBF by the Con Com. The Town can not legally pay the association without a 1099 form. Neither Association has a 1099 form. – Michelle is researching and working out how to pay for the private road usage with the Associations.

LBF Encroachments – Michelle has spoken with the Auditor – talk of where the money goes from the encroachments on the land. That money will go to the Town and the general fund.

NEW BUSINESS:

Health Officer Resignation – Lisa Davenport

**Chris Motioned to Accept the Resignation. Bob Seconded. Motion Carried.**

Code of Ethics – Professional code of conduct – The Selectboard will review the written document for discussion at the next Selectmen’s Meeting.

MISC CORRESPONDENCE AND CURRENT BUDGET INFO:

Michelle informed the board that the Budget has not been fully closed out yet for the 2022 – 2023 year.

**Chris Motioned to Leave the Public Session @ 8:15 PM. Bob Seconded. Motion Carried.**

**Chris Motioned to go into Non-Public Session RSA 91-A:3, II(c) @ 8:15 PM. Bob Seconded. Motion Carried. All board members said yes.**

**Chris Motioned to go back into Public Session @8:26 PM. Bob Seconded. Motion Carried.**

**Chris motioned to Seal the Non-Public RSA 91-A:3, II(c) Minutes. Bob Seconded. Motion Carried.**

ADMINISTRATORS NOTES:

Cheverier letter sent out.

Stoddard will send out a letter to our legislative representatives on the new mandated buying of election machines by the State of NH.

Vickie will order books for the Planning Board

Michelle wanted to thank Terri for putting together the information regarding the trusts/trustees of Stoddard.

**Chris Motioned to Adjourn the Public Meeting @8:33 PM. Bob Seconded. Motion Carried.**

Submitted

Vickie Williams

Secretary

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Robert Fee \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Terri LaRoche \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_