

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

**JULY 14, 2014**

**MEMORIAL BUILDING**

**7:00 P.M.**

*The following are to be considered draft minutes until approved by the Board at their next meeting.*

Selectmen present: Vice-Chairman, Leigh Callaway; and George McCusker.

Others present: Ed Belfield, John Trachy, Mike Lawlor, Cynthia Hayes, Bruce Allen, Bill Huntoon, Janet and Doug Smith, Bryan O'Day, Mike Beaulieu, Dick Hendl, and Tim Ritz.

Leigh opened the meeting at 7:02. Don Hill was unable to attend.

Leigh noted the Rules of Procedure are in effect and asked that people be recognized before they speak.

Ed Belfield stated he was disappointed there were no Selectmen at the historical society presentation last Thursday night. There was a great presentation about meetinghouses. Ed stated the front of the town hall and the doors look terrible and are a disgrace. Leigh noted contracts have been approved for painting and carpentry work this summer. Application for a grant to offset painting costs has been submitted. The work should begin in August.

Leigh extended special recognition to the Recreation Department/Old Home Day Committee and everyone involved. It was a good day with a pretty good turnout.

He also extended recognition to the road crew and the fire department for taking care of trees and wires and damages that occurred during the weather event of July 3.

Minutes of June 23, 2014: George moved to approve as written, seconded by Leigh and unanimously approved.

Projects list: Leigh added having someone look at the wiring in the highway/safety building for next year's budget. George agreed.

Leigh reported: T

The insurance adjuster has been out to assess the damage of the framing on the fire department door. The \$1,000 deductible includes damage to the fire truck door as well.

The sand shed has been looked at as well. That is subject to an additional \$1,000 deductible as it was a separate incident. Final notification from the insurance company is pending.

The Conference Room window screens at the fire department need repair.

The website design is on track. The next design review session is scheduled for June 22. George questioned if department heads had been informed of these sessions so they could have input. Leigh reported the sessions have basically been reviewing "boiler plate" information.

Town hall painting should start the middle of August.

Board and Department Updates:

ZBA: George reported the ZBA denied a request for a Special Exception for Mr. Messer on Stoney Brook Road, after lengthy discussion and a long meeting.

Conservation: Bruce Allen reported about 25-30 large pine trees blew down over about 15 to 20 acres in the Kinsley Lot not too far from the Cemetery during the storm of July 3. Brooks Weathers says they can be salvaged as part of the timber sale this winter.

Cemetery: Leigh reported the Trustees reviewed damaged trees and their budget at their last meeting.

Correspondence: Letter received from Doug Smith regarding concerns there may be a two-unit apartment being built at 13 Woodcrest Shores [address is 104 Woodcrest]. Leigh reported: In 2008 there was zoning approval involving 2 two-bedroom homes on two separate parcels with one shared septic approved for 4 bedrooms. In 2011 a building permit for a "barn" was denied as it was a change of use different than what had been approved at zoning. A subsequent building permit for a two bedroom single family residence was approved. In March 2014 the town assessment of the building was 40% complete. Tom Duling had been at the site about 3 or 4 weeks ago but had not seen enough to confirm a one or two family structure. Leigh stated at issue now is whether or not it is to be two apartments. That is not what was approved. He indicated if it is being used as a rental it would need to go before planning board for a site plan review.

Motion by Leigh to ask Tom Duling, Code Enforcement Officer, to find out what the intent is and what is going on there. The motion was seconded by George and unanimously approved.

Dick Hendl inquired about terms of the Zoning Ordinance and the differences in amounts of square footage in determination of a home business versus a home occupation.

Leigh stated if this is indeed a rental business, it changes the process and would need to go planning. It will depend on what Tom finds there.

Notice of Technology Conference by Virtual Towns and Schools for members to attend a session in the fall.

Notification from NH DES regarding receipt of an Alteration of Terrain Permit by Springfield Power for their Storm water Pond Expansion. George reported the ZBA had granted permission for enlargement of the retention pond which would allow them to recollect the cooling water from the plant. In the past when it has been dry, they have run out of water and had to truck multiple tankers of water, drawing from existing ponds and lakes. DES permits will allow them to drill more wells and have more storage to avoid use of trucking. Approvals from DES are required for this process. It is not regulated by the Town.

Signatures:

Intent to Cut Timber for Meadowsend at the end of Sanborn Hill Road.

Timber Tax Assessment and Levy: P. Crowell

MS-232 Appropriations and Revenue form for the Department of Revenue was signed.

Application Reimbursement for State Forest Land in the Gile for the Department of Revenue was signed.

Building permits:

Hendl – Woodcrest – for a set of wooden stairs to go down a very steep slope to the lake. Approved.

Bara – Shad Hill Road – renewal for a permit to build a barn.

Brian Collins who was on the schedule to speak to the Selectmen about ATV use on Class VI roads did not show. Brief discussion was held about Class VI Road use.

Mike Lawlor stated Tilson's property on the Class VI road off Old Grafton Road is for sale. Someone has been getting in there and they have repaired the bridge. There is about 50 acres surrounded by private land and the Gile Forest. He inquired about access if they are not able to use the Class VI road. Leigh noted the Selectmen cannot keep someone from using a Class VI road, but repairs to the road should be approved by the Selectmen.

Cynthia Bruss questions if there could be a weight limit posted for Class VI roads for use other than owner's accessing their own property (or other than for logging).

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Submitted by,

Janet Roberts