

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

MAY 23, 2016

MEMORIAL BUILDING

7:00 P.M.

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

Selectmen present: Don Hill, Chairman and Tamara Butcher.

Others present: Mike Lawlor, Tom Duling, George McCusker, and Tim Julian.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Don reported the old home at the Downey property on Main Street has been torn down.

Building Permits: Application from Mills on Hogg Hill Road, for a breezeway addition attached to a new 2-bay garage. Tom noted there were no problems with wetlands and setbacks are met. The permit was approved.

Tom addressed concern with a door at the end of the Brunelle house on Bowman Road. Mr. Brunelle was told at the Variance hearing there could not be anything more on either end of the house due to setbacks. The Zoning Board granted a specific variance based on the site plan submitted and approved. Don asked Tom to attempt to contact the owner.

Don reported at the end of February a letter was sent to Carbone regarding zoning non-compliance of due to infringement of a property line that was settle in court. He discussed sending a second notice, certified-return receipt mail giving an opportunity to rectify the issue before penalties are incurred. Board approved. Don will draft a letter.

Minutes of May 9 and May 11, 2016 were approved as written.

Scheduled Appointments:

Trudy Heath reported the Historical Society is planning to host the Round the Lake Ramble this year with help from Steve Klein, and the blessing and cooperation of the Old Home Day Committee. They are asking for 1. Acceptance by the Board of Selectmen; 2. Being able to advertise and leave registration forms at the Town Office, and 3. Advertise and have registration forms on the website as the process moves forward. Don stated he did not see any problem with continuing. This has been done in the past and is not setting a new precedent. Tamara agreed.

Old Business:

Tamara reported she met with a gentleman (Walter, couldn't remember last name) who will do skateboard park repairs and repair the floor in the Historical Society. He charges \$30-\$35 per hour and did not expect these issues to take much time. She approved the repair. Don noted the project had been addressed by the Selectmen and approved to the project list to move forward.

She was given the name of Sean Cushing to possibly take care of touching up the pews at the church. She has made several attempts to contact Bill Huntoon about the Historical Society painting but has not heard back. Don asked her to make one more attempt. If he see's Bill he will ask him to get in touch with Tamara.

Don discussed ordering a new 5' x 8' flag for the Meetinghouse. Two new flags will be ordered through Amazon so there is a spare in place when one needs to come down.

New Business: None

Mike Lawlor commented that the tent caterpillars are real bad in the trees out front. Don will contact Pete about taking care of them.

Correspondence: Alert from NH Electric Coop regarding their continued maintenance on the power lines; this time using herbicides to control the vegetation.

Miscellaneous Business:

Don stated it had been mentioned to him there appeared to be only 2 or 3 docks around the lake that were permitted. There was discussion regarding enforcement and whether permitting is required annually. The State is the agency to enforce. Standards are different depending on the size of the waterbody.

Don reported the issue of an Air BnB being advertised on Philbrick Hill Road was discussed with the Planning Board, Thursday night. The Planning Board did not feel this falls under zoning "per se" but there was a lengthy discussion about these types of businesses needing to pay rooms and meals taxes. The discussion also included short-term seasonal rentals, and rooming houses. This is a large issue the State is trying to decide how to address. It means a lot of lost revenue to the State and to the Town. Further discussion was tabled until all three Selectmen are present.

Signatures:

Intent to Cut Timber approved and signed for Daniel Thorne at Aaron's Ledge.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Submitted by,

Janet Roberts,
Administrative Assistant