

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

APRIL 10, 2017

MEMORIAL BUILDING

6:00 P.M.

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

Selectmen present: Leigh Callaway, Chairman; Tamara Butcher, and Dick Hendl

Others: Whit Smith, Bryan O'Day, Wayne Smith, and for a short time, Josh McGraw

The meeting began at 6:00 p.m. An informational presentation was made by Fairpoint Communications Senior Director of Government Affairs, Ellen G. Scarponi. French Scott was present off-site via a phone conference call and online power point presentation. The presentation included improvements and upgrades to Fairpoint internet service which have been implemented recently, some as recent as March 31, 2017. Location access and speed of bandwidth were mapped for Springfield, as well as comparisons showing areas where users may currently be undersubscribed. Planned improvements were reviewed. Issues specific to Springfield were addressed.

Residents with questions or issues regarding internet service are encouraged to contact Fairpoint at 1-866-984-2001 to review bandwidth availability.

At 7:06 p.m. Leigh called the Selectboard meeting to order.

Leigh extended apologies to Bryan O'Day and family for the Town Hall being without heat during an event they recently rented the building for.

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REPORT from ZONING COORDINATOR. -- Board of Selectmen Monday, April 10, 2017.

Here is a summary of permit applications and Zoning Coordinator activity.

Applications for Permits – To Be Considered: NONE

Applications for Permits – RECEIVED, Acted Upon; APPROVED

1. Sam Vidal, 2035 George Hill Road. Build primary residence. Reviewed and processed with e-mail protocol. Zoning Permit APPROVED. HOWEVER, see note below regarding revision to location of house. Application may be modified and require additional consideration.

Applications for Permits – RECEIVED, but PENDING Further Action

2. Attiya Mirza, agent for UPLA5AC, 378 Stoney Brook Rd; Application for permit to build a 4' x 8' structure. No further action since last BOS meeting. Waiting for snow to melt.

3. Mr./Mrs. Martin regarding 12' x 20' shed constructed without zoning permit – 566 Hogg Hill Rd. Applicant has stated he is waiting for snow to melt so that he can locate property pins and appropriately “stake” the area where the shed will be located. No further contact since last BOS meeting. I, too, am waiting for the snow to melt...

Other Matters.

A. Attended ZBA organizational meeting.

B. Mr. Vidal has re-engineered septic system for house referred to above (item #1). As a result, he is able to site his proposed house in a slightly different location than originally represented. Mr. Vidal has provided a detailed plan view map showing southeast corner of the building now encroaching a few feet into the 660' McDaniel Marsh wetland buffer/wildlife corridor. He is currently deciding whether to either (i) reposition the house to comply with setback requirements and to avoid encroaching in the wetlands buffer, or (ii) apply to ZBA for a variance granting less than 8' of dimensional relief. Application to the State of NH for revised/renewed septic approval will be made following his decision on final location of the house.

C. Inquiry from US Cellular regarding addition of radio transmitters/repeaters on existing tower located on Deer Hill Road. No change in height of tower; no additional structures on ground.

D. Mr. Rifkin – Camp Sunapee. Email sent to Mr. Rifkin. Have not received reply.

E. Revisions/updates to ZBA Applications – Special Exception Application and Variance Application. Discussed with Chair of ZBA. Forwarded same for review.”

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Josh McGraw – Leigh reported to Josh that the Class VI Road waiver was pending completion with the Selectboard and town counsel. Josh indicated he was just checking in on the status as he was on his way by.

Minutes of March 27, 2017: Motion by Dick Hendl to approve as written, seconded by Tamara and unanimously approved.

Old Business:

Leigh reported the walk-through at Wonderwell last week went well. Ron Antsy, of the State Fire Marshall's office, members of Springfield Fire, the Selectboard, and Wonderwell Representatives were present. Things are moving forward favorably, and Chief Antsy was able to sign off on some areas. Chief Antsy “pinned down” a date in two years, to get the third floor to code and operational. Wonderwell is in the process of scheduling improvements to traffic flow and parking, as approved by the Planning Board amended Site Plan. The Fire Department will be doing training at Wonderwell tomorrow night (April 11th).

Department Updates:

Buildings: Chris Carson will begin the installing the existing metal shelving in the downstairs storage closet.

Highway: Leigh stated Cody Patten has been approved to work 40 hours a week at the Highway Department during Pete Abair's absence. A chipper has been rented for the month and work has begun on roadside brush clean-up.

Cemetery: Tamara reported last year the Cemetery Trustee ordered 6 granite markers with names to place on current unmarked graves, and hope to be able to do so again this year. Frank Anderson is scheduling clean-up. The current Cemetery Trustees are Dale Milne, Chair; Dick Petrin, and Annette Granger.

Dick reported to date, there have been no applications received for library scholarships. Another appeal will be going out. Chris Carson made a presentation for some possible changes to the interior library lay-out. The Trustee's are reviewing funds for renovations.

Conservation Commission: Dick reported the Conservation Commission will be scheduling a site visit to the town-owned property at the Grafton Town Line. Janet reported Clayton Platt will investigate the property line/town line and possible timber trespass issues.

The compliance deadline for Roberts' property on Woodland Heights has been extended to June 22, 2017.

Correspondence: None

Signatures:

Board approved and signed Veteran's and an Elderly Exemption.

The amended contract with Sansoucy Associates for the annual Springfield Power assessment was approved and signed.

The annual Septage Agreement with the City of Claremont was approved and signed.

The Board's next meeting will be held on Monday, April 24th at 4:00 p.m. Appointments will be scheduled to begin at 5:00 p.m. if necessary.

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Submitted by,

Janet Roberts,
Administrative Assistant