

SELECTMEN'S MEETING

November 28, 2012

Executive Board Attending: David Upton, Susan Hansel, Maury Collins, Edie Drinkwater, Admin. Assist.

Others Attending: Barry Tolman, Karen Tolman, Dennis Dellagraca, Maureen Lord, Russ Thomas

The meeting was opened at 6:01 PM by chair David Upton.

The first order of business was a reconsideration of a building permit for Jayne Alexander. This project required approval from the Zoning Board of Adjustment. Approval was granted on November 27, 2012 by the Zoning Board. David made a motion to approve the building permit for Jayne Alexander to build a storage shed.

Maury seconded the motion.

The motion then carried by a vote of 3-0.

The audience was given a brief time for questions or comments.

Karen Tolman questioned a reassessment that appeared on her latest tax bill. Edie has put this in the pick-up work for Cross Country to explain the changes.

Maury then reported on Mike Tarr's progress with the roadside tree cutting. The cutting has begun and only one property owner had denied permission to cut at this time.

David reviewed the steps in the process of cutting roadside trees. He also reviewed the form to be used for requesting a cut.

Another notice is also being drafted to notify land owners of a potential danger that may exist due to a dying or damaged tree which is close to a power line.

David is attempting to make contact with Bob Allen, an arborist at PSNH.

David will request that PSNH attend a meeting with the Board in order to promote a good working relationship regarding the issue of roadside tree cutting.

Barry Tolman voiced concern that too much trimming of roadside trees results in widening the roads which leads to increased speeds. He expressed his feeling that every time a tree is cut it changes the character of the Town.

David noted that the tree trimming is just an attempt to remove a hazard and no tree will be taken without proper permission.

Karen Tolman requested more Town discussion (including the planning board) regarding the widening of rural roads.

David announced that the L Chip grant was not awarded to Nelson.

The consensus at the Town Buildings Committee meeting was to present only two articles for the 2013 Town Warrant. One will be for the Town Hall project and the other for the basement of the library.

David suggested that Keene Commercial Interiors be contacted to give estimates on both of these projects. David will talk to Lisa Sieverts regarding this possibility.

There was a brief discussion regarding the Granite Lake Boat Ramp project. David has contacted DES to find out what would be required for permits from DES.

1. A Wetlands permit with a \$200.00 application fee and .20 per square foot would be the charge for the project. This needs to be submitted with a detailed plan.

Susan will arrange a meeting at the Granite Lake ramp. The contractor who was involved with the ramp at Silver Lake will be contacted as well as members from the Granite Lake Association. Mike Tarr will also be asked to attend.

David reported that work is still in progress on finding donations for the line painting on the Nelson Road.

Susan noted that every effort will be made to collect reimbursement from the State.

Feelings remain strong that this is a State issue not a Town problem.

Eddie reported that efforts to reach Tim Ruehr have been unsuccessful. The deadline is tomorrow to join SAU 29 risk pool for the Town's health insurance and Tim has not returned calls or emails from LGC or the Town office.

Eddie will continue to reach Tim tomorrow.

Eddie reported the "Plumb Bob" will be coming tomorrow to check the HVAC system in the Archives.

Eddie reported that Mike Tarr had to give the narrow band radio installer coordinates for the antennae in order to put the radios into service. The location at the Town office was checked and should provide an adequate signal for most areas in Town. At this time Mike is registering the Town Office as the antennae location.

The meeting schedule was the next topic of discussion. David explained that due to the preparation for the 2013 budgets, Town Warrant, and Town Report that the Selectmen need to hold work session meetings every other week. The schedule will begin with December 5th. On that day the Selectmen will meet at 2:00 PM for a work session. On December 12th the meeting will be a regular Selectmen's meeting at 6:00 PM. Then on December 19th the meeting will be a work session at 2:00 PM. The week of Christmas the Selectmen will not meet. On January 2nd there will be a regular Selectmen's meeting at 6:00 PM.

All Paperwork was presented for review and signing.

David made a motion to approve a Tax Warrant that was presented for a change of current use. (For Rick Church)

Maury seconded the motion.

The motion then carried by a vote of 3-0.

A land use release for Barbara Fraser was submitted for signing. The land had been changed from current use several years ago but it was never released at the registry. Due to the length of time between the change and the discovery there is no penalty assessed.

David made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 26, 2012 meeting.

Maury seconded the motion.

The motion then carried by a vote of 3-0.

Susan made a motion to approve the manifest as presented.

Maury seconded the motion.

The motion then carried by a vote of 3-0.

With nothing further, Maury made a motion to adjourn.
David seconded the motion.
The motion then carried by a vote of 3-0.
Meeting adjourned at 7:07 PM.

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David Upton, Chair

Maury Collins

Susan Hansel