

# Town of Nelson Selectmen's Meeting

December 28, 2016

Executive Board Attending: David Upton, Maury Collins, Gary Robinson, Edie Drinkwater, Admin. Assist.

Others attending: Dawn Amer

At 3:00 PM David Upton opened the December 28, 2016 meeting of the Nelson Select Board.

- Dawn Amer came before the Board to present a second request for a building permit for property located at the corner of Granite Lake Road and Taylor Mill Road. The Select Board had denied a previous application due to the building location not meeting road set backs on Granite Lake Road or Taylor Mill Road. The applicant was referred to the Zoning Board to apply for a variance for each of these set back requirements. Ms. Amer refused to apply for a variance on the Taylor Mill Road set back because she believed the set back along the rear of the structure only required a 25 foot set back and she further believed that Taylor Mill Road was a class VI road and that it did not need to meet the set back. David referenced the Zoning regulations as written which highlighted the error in Ms. Amer's understanding. The Board remained in agreement with their initial referral that Taylor Mill Road also would require a setback variance. David made a motion to deny the building permit and to refer Ms. Amer back to the Zoning Board to seek an additional variance. Gary seconded. The motion carried 3-0.
- David made a motion to approve the minutes for December 14, 2016. Maury seconded. The motion carried 3-0.
- David made a motion to approve the manifest for December 21, and December 28, 2016 as presented. Maury seconded. The motion carried 3-0.
- David made a motion to approve an intent to cut for Butch Roeder on Granite Lake Road. Maury seconded. The motion carried 3-0.
- The Board reviewed the latest draft of the proposed zoning changes slated to go before voters at the Annual Town Meeting. All approved with just a minor change. This will now return to the Planning Board for posting of the public hearings.
- Maury made a motion to approve a reply letter to M. DeMartelly. David seconded. The motion carried 3-0. PR #1612142
- The Board reviewed an abatement application on Map 009-025-001 (Faulkner Property).

Although the application was submitted prematurely (before the final 2016 tax bill was issued) the application was held and formal review was initiated by Loren Martin, Sr. Assessor for Avitar Associates after the final bills were issued.

Each element of the applicant's opinion was reviewed and addressed for justification. This resulted in a recommendation by Avitar that the stated assessment of \$406, 900 is a reasonable value conclusion. David made a motion to approve the recommendation from Avitar and to leave the Assessment as concluded.

Maury seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

- The Board reviewed the Selectmen's report and photos for the Town Report. It was approved with amendments.

**Non-Public Session:**

- At 5:18 PM David made a motion to move into a very brief Non-Public Session in accordance with RSA 91-A:3 II(a&c) personnel and Harm to reputation.

Maury seconded.

The motion carried by a roll call vote 3-0. Maury – yes, Gary – yes, David - yes

- The Board very quickly reviewed a personnel matter and all agreed very quickly on the action to be taken.

- David made a motion to seal the minutes until it becomes appropriate to release.

Gary seconded.

The motion carried by a roll call vote 3-0. Maury – yes, Gary – yes, David - yes

- David made a motion to return to Public Session.

Gary seconded.

The motion carried by a roll call vote 3-0. Maury – yes, Gary – yes, David – yes 5:24 PM

- With nothing further, Maury made a motion to adjourn.

Gary seconded.

The motion carried 3-0. 5:28 PM

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David Upton, Chair

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Maury Collins, Selectman

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Gary Robinson, Selectman