

# SELECTMEN'S MEETING

March 20, 2012

Executive Board Attending: Warren Hammack, Maury Collins, David Upton, Edie Drinkwater, Admin. Assist.

Others Attending: Rick Monahon, David Drasba, Bruce Armer, Duane Schillemat, Denise Dellegreca, Trisha Jones, Brian Lord, Jane Kirk, John Cucchi, Richard Pratt, Sam and Chris Bouchie and several other attendees not signed in.

At 6:35 PM the meeting was opened by agreement of the Board

Rick Monahon and David Drasba came before the board with a presentation of the proposed renovations for the first floor of the Town Office building.

This project has been given urgent status as it addresses all of the Health and Safety violations noted by the New Hampshire Department of Labor as well as the Fire Safety inspection violations.

This Project covers only the immediate needs for the first floor of the Town Office Building to meet the Health and Safety standard required by law which include security issues.

David Upton asked if a public presentation would be possible before the project is started.

After some discussion March 29, 2012 was selected for this public presentation at the Nelson Town Hall at 7:00 PM.

Warren noted that the State had granted an extension to July 31, 2012 for completion of the project.

Mr. Monahon expressed concern that this may not be enough time even if the project begins immediately. He then recommended interviewing a pre-selected group of contractors that he has worked with to move the project forward as soon as possible.

Maury asked for a projection of begin and end time considering the selection process.

The Board agreed that such a projection should be presented to the State inspector as a show of good faith if a further extension will be needed.

Mr. Monahon also presented a contract for the building project addressed in article #21 at the Town Meeting. This article was passed and the project is moving forward. \$3500.00 in grant money is expected toward this project.

The Board briefly discussed the status of the Town Building committee and all agreed they would like to see Lisa Sieverts remain as chair. Warren praised Lisa's extensive work on behalf of this committee and the Town.

A request from Bruce Armer was presented regarding a Non-compliant septic system. Mr. Armer represents land owners Chris and Patricia Chesney. He requested a letter from the Select Board simply stating they have seen the plans and are aware of the problem. The State Department of Environmental Services has the authority over this matter and they will review the system and make a final ruling.

Formal letter will be issued this week.

Duane Schillemat then presented a written statement and request for suspension of the Town's Police Chief, Richard Pratt. Mr. Schillemat alleged criminal activity by the Chief.

The Board agreed not to discuss the allegation in public forum and to seek guidance before discussing the matter further.

Audience discussion ensued in support of the Chief. Jane Kirk and John Cucchi both offered comments urging this matter only be discussed in Non-Public session.

Warren remarked that State RSA dictates that the Board must be sensitive when considering

the harm to the reputation of any person and discussion must be Non-Public.  
Dennis Dellegreca asked that the Board “summarily disregard” the presentation by Mr. Schillemat.  
When asked, Mr. Schillemat gave no information to substantiate his claim and only gave examples of types of crime he alleges.  
Audience discussion concluded in support of the Police Chief.

The Board then discussed sign up for a class geared toward New Selectmen. All agreed to register David and Maury for the April 21, 2012 class.

In other Matters:

Warren requested that either David or Maury become the selectmen’s designate to the Planning Board. Warren currently serves in this position. Action on this matter is pending.

There was discussion about a presentation for waterfront property owners by Jeff Earls of Cross Country Appraisers. This would focus on the formula used as well as market indicators used to assess this type of property. Date and time pending.

The DRA has suggested that the Nelson Select Board host a regional Property Assessment presentation for Selectpersons and Administrators from area town. This is an educational presentation for Selectpersons and Administrators only. (Not a general public forum)

Warren reported that Bob Jones has resigned as Town Sexton.  
There was a brief discussion about the need to post the position as soon as possible.  
This matter is still pending further discussion.

Tom Rup who has been handling the IT service has left the Town due to personal issues.  
The Local Government Center recommends an IT person who has municipal knowledge when seeking a new technician.

David said he would like the padlock removed.  
Warren stated that Terri has the key and may use the upstairs at her full discretion for those who need access this includes removal of the padlock as she decides.

Paperwork was presented for review as needed.

Warren made a motion to adjourn, Dave and Maury chorused a second and the motion carried by unanimous vote. Meeting adjourned at 10:32 PM

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Warren Hammack

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Maury Collins

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David Upton

A procedural defect was noticed in the Public Meeting Posting

The Selectmen's Meeting for

Tuesday March 20, 2012

Was Posted as

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The meeting took place as it was intended and as is usual and ordinary for the day and place.

The defect was discovered and a public notice has been posted to inform of the defect

And to vote to accept the meeting as a legal assembly .