

SELECTMEN'S MEETING

March 27, 2012

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

Others Attending Dennis Dellagrecia , Jane Kirk, Bud French, Brian Lord, John Cucchi David Voymas, John Zurich, Julio Razquin, Police Chief Richard Pratt and several others not signed in.

Procedural Defect Meeting

At 6:48 PM The Procedural Defect meeting was opened. Details of the defect were presented by David Upton as follows:

The meeting for Tuesday March 20, 2012 was posted as Tuesday March 21, 2012 at the Old Brick Schoolhouse. The usual and ordinary day for the Selectmen's meeting is Tuesday of each week at the Old Brick Schoolhouse. The meeting was held on the usual and ordinary day and place. The error was a typographical error on the number. The defect was acknowledged and This Procedural Defect meeting was posted on Wednesday morning.

With the defect acknowledged Warren made a motion to accept the meeting as legal. Maury seconded the motion.

Duane Schillemat objected. He expressed his belief that the meeting was not legal.

Without further discussion a vote carried the motion unanimously. Warren – Yea, Maury – Yea, David – Yea.

Warren then made a motion to close The Procedural Defect meeting. Maury Seconded. A unanimous vote then carried the motion Warren – Yea, Maury – Yea, David – Yea.

Meeting adjourned at 6:54 PM.

All present remained and awaited the opening of the regularly scheduled Selectmen's meeting.

Regular Meeting of the Selectmen

At 7:00 PM the meeting opened.

David Voymas came before the board to present a request for a building permit to construct a barn for housing livestock.

Maury queried what kind of animals and how many.

David said perhaps 3 sheep and a donkey.

David indicated that the planned location placed the barn short of the setback requirement. He stated his awareness that the Zoning Board of Adjustment would be needed in this matter and he was prepared to request a variance. He first needs a denial by the Select Board in order to move forward.

David Upton made a motion to deny the permit. Warren seconded and the motion to deny carried by unanimous vote.

John Zurich then presented a plan to merge two connected lots which he owns. One lot is 2 acres and the other is approximately 5 acres.

There is an existing right of way on one of the lots. Warren thought that might be an issue and

would require presenting before the planning Board for a public hearing with abutter notification. The Planning Board chairman has changed and Edie was directed to find out the new contact information and report back to Mr. Zurich.

Dennis Dellagreca presented two requests in writing as follows:

1.
Nelson Selectman's Meeting
March 27, 2012

I hereby request that the Selectmen vote to authorize funds for the town to purchase digital recording equipment with CD burning capacity for official town use. This equipment would be used to record Town Meetings as well as Selectmen's Meetings and any other Committee, Board or Commission meetings that the Selectmen see fit. I further request that the Town Clerk, Assistant Town Clerk and Administrative Assistant be trained to proficiency in its operation and use.

The CD burning capability would insure that a true and accurate record is maintained for Town Records at all times sealed under lock and key. The first copy would be used by the Administrative Assistant or Town Clerk for transcription to written record or to provide additional copies to citizens who may request them.

This would improve the efficiency of town administration and insure transparency in town government.

Respectfully Submitted:

Dennis Dellagreca

2.
Nelson Selectman's Meeting
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I hereby request that the selectmen vote to authorize reimbursement to town employees for legal fees incurred as a result of their employment in the town. This is separate from the use of the Town Attorney which may or may not be appropriate in all cases. This would serve to provide a measure of protection to Town Employees from economic hardship which may result from poorly thought out or frivolous law suits resulting from personal agendas.

Respectfully Submitted:

Dennis Dellagreca

Discussion followed about how best to record all meetings and various ideas were presented for using electronic technology to accomplish this. John Cucchi offered to acquire everything needed to get this in operation and he also offered to assist in set up and instructions. Dennis indicated that he had no idea of the cost and perhaps an old laptop would be available. Warren reported that a laptop had been purchased for use by the supervisors of the checklist. Jane Kirk recalled that these were laptops owned by the town in the past and perhaps they

could be found and used.

Edie is to Work with John Cucchi to determine what is needed and set this up.

Maury thanked John Cucchi and Dennis Dellagrecia.

The second request from Dennis regarding legal reimbursement in the event a Town Employee is unjustly charged by a resident was tabled by the board for further research.

Dennis also wanted the formation of a Finance Committee for Economic Development. The purpose would be to cover money coming into the Town either by grants or other means.

Researching all aspects as it would affect the tax payers. (Positive or negative) Dennis states there is a lack of money coming in and he would like to volunteer for such a committee.

David Upton Voiced approval of the formation of several different committees and agreed Grant money is an area that needs more attention.

The property assessment process was another area of concern for the audience. John Cucchi stated that he has done extensive research to evaluate the assessment process.

Dennis voiced concern that there are many inequities in the assessment process.

Duane Schillemat read lines from an RSA and offered his interpretation of the law. He then asserted his belief that the prior week's regular meeting of the Selectmen was not legal.

David Upton said that it was a legal meeting.

Duane disagreed and said the documents he presented last week should be returned. He requested a vote.

David Upton made a motion to go into Non-Public session in accordance with RSA 91-A:3 II (a&c) concerning a Town Employee.

Maury seconded the motion. A roll vote followed Warren – Yea, Maury – Yea, David – Yea.

Sam Bushey objected to the non-public session stating the complaint had been presented in public session and was already being discussed on the street.

David read the exemption to RSA 91-A:3 II (a&c). The Select Board and Administrative Assistant accompanied Duane into Non-Public session at 7:45 PM.

At 8:31 PM the Public session reconvened.

Presenting the results of the Non-Public session Warren read the following statement:

"We have considered the complaint that we have just heard and have decided that it does not merit further investigation by the Select Board"

In general business – Maury Collins agreed to become the Welfare Officer for the Select Board. David Upton indicated he would like to be the Selectmen's representative to the Planning Board which was quickly approved by Warren and Maury. Maury also agreed to be the Selectmen's representative to the Municipal Records Committee.

Bud French then asked if the NH Department of Labor knew that the lock was removed from the door to the upstairs.

Dennis noted that there were 2 people upstairs with the lock still on the door.

Bud mentioned that no work was to be done upstairs.

Further discussion remained brief.

Edie reminded the board of the DRA offer to present a program for area selectmen and administrators hosted by Nelson. April 18, 2012 or April 25, 2012 seemed agreeable to the Board. Edie will check with DRA for available times.

Maury posed the question of possibly splitting the sexton position into two. One person for the outside work and another for the inside work. No decision was made but the Sexton's position will be posted in the Shopper and the Sentinel. Maury will cover the Sexton's duties until someone can be found to fill the position.

An email from Gordon Peery was read by the Selectmen and they asked Edie to see if he would be available for next Tuesday's meeting.

All remaining paperwork was then presented for review and signing as necessary.

With all business complete a motion was made by Warren to adjourn, seconded by David and carried by unanimous vote.

Meeting adjourned at 10:23 PM

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Warren Hammack

Maury Collins

David Upton