

SELECTMEN'S MEETING

May 7, 2014

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

Others Attending: Russ Thomas, Max Nunnemaker, Lynda Fauteux, Karen Tolman, Priscilla Walter, Laurie Smith, Dennis Dellagreca, Kathy Blaudschun

The meeting was opened by Chair David Upton at 3:02 PM.

Hunt and Allison Smith came before the Board to present their request for a Building Permit to construct a single story workshop.

Finding the plans in order and all zoning requirements met, David made a motion to approve a Building Permit for the plan as presented.

Maury seconded the motion.

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

Next, Lynda Fauteux presented with two Building Permit Applications. The first was for a 20' x30' Barn.

After a review of the plans and a brief discussion with Mrs. Fauteux, David moved approval of a Building Permit for the Barn as presented.

Maury seconded the motion.

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

The second application was for the construction of a 12'x28' porch attached to an existing building that is a garage with an apartment.

Finding those plans also complete and satisfactory, David further moved approval of a building Permit for the porch as presented.

Maury seconded the motion.

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

Russ Thomas came before the Board with a progress report of the Town Hall and Library Lower Level projects.

His report indicated: Good progress on the Library, cobblestones if located during excavation will be moved and saved, Lilacs are being watered regularly, Paul Hemmerich would like his engineer to inspect the pour area of the floor and footings, possible minor design change to increase headroom in the basement of the Town Hall.

Russ continues to drop off regular written reports at the Town Office for each project.

Next, Eric Sandberg and Bruce Myrick presented on behalf of the Monadnock Folklore Society. This was a general (annual) meeting with the Selectmen for the purpose of maintaining open communications.

It was noted that the MFS has purchased new Parking Cones and puts them out each week prior to the contra dance. They have helped with the parking issue.

David noted that routine police and janitorial services have been reduced so renters will be responsible for attention to parking and general cleanup.

Lisa Sieverts is coordinating some new lighting, speakers, electrical outlets as well as a basic sound system to be donated to the Town Hall by the MFS.

MFS will have a more extensive sound system in place for their use but it will only be available to the general public through the MFS and will require their supervision for use.

The Board then reviewed an application for a Building Permit from Tom and Carol Newcombe. This application had come before the Board previously and was referred to the ZBA for a variance regarding setback regulations. On May 5, 2014 the ZBA did approve a variance which could allow the Newcombes to reapply for a building permit to demo an existing garage and rebuild a new garage that is larger and slightly moved.

After a review of the approval from the ZBA, David made a motion to approve a Building Permit for the Newcombes as presented.

Maury seconded the motion.

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

The Board reviewed another application for a Building Permit from Mark Bean. This too was a re-application that had been referred to the ZBA due to a Non-Conforming lot and setback concerns. On May 5, 2014 The ZBA approved a variance which allowed the Bean's to reapply for a Building Permit to demo an existing deck and screen house and rebuild a new larger structure on the rebuilt deck.

David made a motion to approve a Building Permit for the new deck and structure as presented.

Susan seconded the motion.

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

Change orders from Ingram Construction for the Town Hall were reviewed and discussed.

#1. Transfer of cost for ramp from the Town Hall bid to the Library project costs. (\$3,300)

David made a motion to approve the change order contingent on the inclusion of the CM fee of an additional \$346.50 which was missing from the proposal as presented.

Susan seconded the motion.

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

#2. Change order due to an increase in the cost of insurance for the Town Hall project.

(Builder's Risk Policy) \$839.00 additional cost

David made a motion to approval the change order for the increased cost of insurance for the Town Hall project by \$839.00.

Susan seconded the motion.

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

#3. Replace sill on the east end of the Town Hall at an added cost of \$1392.00

David made a motion to approve replacement of the rotted sill on the east end of the Town Hall at an additional cost of \$1392.00.

Susan seconded the motion.

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

After a review of a request for payment from Ingram Construction for \$20,741.00, David made a motion to approve the payment.

Susan seconded the motion.

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

The Board then reviewed change orders from Keene Commercial Construction in the amount of \$1530.00. Delete carpet (\$570), add ceiling \$1250.00, add emergency lights \$850.

David made a motion to approve the change orders as presented for the Library project.

Susan seconded the motion.

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

After a review of a request for payment from Keene Commercial Construction for \$22,490, David made a motion to approve the payment.

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

Kathy Blaudschun came before the Board to request payment for the speakers for Old Home Day in the amount of \$280.00.
David requested that the Board be supplied with a list of activities scheduled as well as a list of volunteers.
There was a brief discussion regarding eye protection for the "Penny Hunt" in sawdust. Kathy indicated that they would be using larger shavings (not sawdust) and requested that no eye protection be required. The Board agreed.
Parking is still in question at this time due to the uncertain completion of the Town Hall construction.
Other expenses for Old Home Day will include \$100 for the Town Band and approximately \$40 for games and the cost of a meal for the speaker. David and Susan offered to make a donation to help cover some of the costs.

There was a brief discussion regarding Memorial Day Flowers and activities. Included in the event will be Scouts, Local youth, veterans, the Town Band, and anyone wishing to participate.

Moving back to Old Home Day, David made a motion to approve payment of \$280.00 to Rebecca Rule as Guest Speaker for Old Home Day.
Maury seconded the motion.
The motion then carried by a vote of 3-0. Purchase Request # 14571

David made a motion to approve a Purchase Request from the Highway Department for the rental of Roller Equipment.
Maury seconded the motion.
The motion then carried by a vote of 3-0. Purchase Request # 14572

David made a motion to approve a Purchase Request from the Highway Department for the purchase of Magnesium Chloride.
Maury seconded the motion.
The motion then carried by a vote of 3-0. Purchase Request # 14573

A donation check arrived from Monadnock Paper Mills with a thank you to the Nelson Fire Department for covering another Department during a fire at their mill.
Maury made a motion to accept the donation of \$250.00 to be deposited into the Fire Department Checking account.
Susan seconded the motion.
The motion then carried by a vote of 3-0.

David made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 23, 2014 meeting of the Selectmen.
Susan seconded the motion.
The motion then carried by a vote of 3-0.

Susan reported that the Agricultural Commission is sponsoring a Greenhouse Tour on Saturday from 10-3 PM. The tour will include stops at Bunce, Fox, Buttrick, Fraser, Zurich-Vetter, and Oliver properties.

There was a brief discussion regarding the 2017 "Sestercentennial". Susan suggested that a committee be formed to organize the Celebration and asked for volunteers. The History Group would like the public more involved. Ideas would include an art show, dances, history walks, etc.

Edie reported that two PSNH rebates have been received for the new furnaces at the Town Barn/Safety Building that were installed last year. Each furnace qualified for \$300.00 and each thermostat qualified for \$25.00 for a total of \$650.00.

Maury reported that he met with Russ Downing and Dean Huber regarding the electrical upgrade at the Safety Building. A follow up with a full report and bids for the work will be requested.

Susan reported that the manifest for May 7, 2014 was complete and moved approval as presented.

David seconded the motion.

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

David made a motion to approve the manifest for April 30, 2014 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 5:23 PM.

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David Upton, Chair

Maury Collins

Susan Hansel