

SELECTMEN'S MEETING

June 19, 2012

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

Others Attending: Maureen Lord, David Voymas, Barbara Fraser, Karen Tolman, Barry Tolman, Kathy Schillemat, Bert Wingerson, Edith Notman, Dennis Dellagrecia and several others not signed in.

The Selectmen's meeting for 6/19/12 opened at 6:11 PM in response to a motion to open by Maury, seconded by David, followed by a unanimous vote.

With regret the first order of business was to read a letter of resignation submitted by Warren Hammack.

David and Maury agreed to take no action at this time in the hope that Warren will reconsider.

It was then announced that Maury will be away for just over a week beginning June 29th.

There was then a discussion of the final design plans for the Town Office renovation. Use of the space was detailed as the plan proposes to reconfigure the 4 small spaces into 3 larger, more functional units with a security system in place. It was noted that the Selectmen will be changing their meeting night back to Wednesday.

Edie will adjust her schedule to work with Terri on Tuesday evening until the close of business hours. Edie will then come in later on Wednesday morning so there will be no additional labor hours added.

Discussion continued for a bit longer on several details of the renovation plan from relocating the glass display case to an explanation of the door requirements to create a clear escape exit from the Town Clerk/Tax Collector area.

All indications at this time are that closing the office for 1 week may be a sufficient amount of time for all major parts of the construction. This would mean that a move to Harrisville would not be necessary. Maury reported that Harrisville Design has already been notified that their office will not be needed.

Advance packing has already begun in preparation for the work.

Next was the revisit of a Building Permit Application from Mike Iselin. Shortly after Mike's original application it was discovered that he fell 10 feet short for one of his setbacks. This was the setback from the front of his proposed building to the "street line". Mike was referred to the ZBA to seek a variance of the setback. After proper abutter notification and a public hearing the ZBA granted a variance and he was then referred back to the Select Board.

With all documentation now in order Maury made a motion to approve the Building Permit for Mike Iselin's proposed barn. David seconded the motion. The motion then carried by a vote of 2-0.

Edie reported on her research of the alarm system for the Library/Town Hall. She reported that the system had been installed by BK Systems out of Goffstown in 1996. They returned in 1997 for a problem with the dialer. In 2000 they modified the service panel. In 2001 they again responded to a problem with the dialer. After this they have no record of the system.

Edie then called Amer Electric for their input. They reported that the system dials directly to Mutual Aid. They are not sure why the trouble alerts, that seem to be ongoing, have not been dispatched. Amer will schedule a complete testing of the system and dialer. They will be doing work at the Nelson Church as well as the Town Office so will try to coordinate for the same day.

Next came a paperwork review:
State Bridge inspection report for Bailey Brook (Passed)
President Obama's disaster declaration for Cheshire County.
Public Service abatement denial
Explanation of deed entry correction from August 2011 on Harris Center Property for Conservation Easement to Audubon Society.
Manifest review
Minutes from last meeting were reviewed by the board.

David made a motion to approve the manifest, Maury seconded and the motion carried by a vote of 2-0
David then made a motion to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Maury seconded and the motion then carried by a vote of 2-0.

Maury reported of his unsuccessful attempts to have keys made for the center door of the Library/Town Hall. The Library needs that door available for handicap entry.
Maury reported that this key takes a special cutter and not many locations can make these keys.
Calls will be made to a locksmith.

The next topic was the Nelson Farmers' Market. As the members had not all arrived yet David suggested a brief recess. Maury followed by making a motion to recess. David seconded and the motion carried by a vote of 2-0. Recess began at 6:50 PM

At 7:07 PM the meeting reopened. The topic was the Farmers' Market. Maury explained the issues of insurance coverage for the participants. The general liability insurance for the Town of Nelson does not cover the product liability for the vendors. The LGC who covers the town recommended a certificate of liability be provided to the Town from the Farmers' Market and that product liability coverage should be provided to the Market organizers from the individual vendors.

Discussion continued regarding the manner in which the Farmer's Market was organized as well as some previous information that had been presented seemed to now be different.
Many people posed questions and brought up other events where no one seemed to know if such issues have ever been addressed. There were not concrete details of action presented to the Board from the organization.

With multiple issues in question from the manner the Farmer's Market was formed to the broad extent of liability issues the Town is being asked to overlook, David suggested that not enough had been done to convince the Board that everything had been done to assure that organization and liability issues were covered enough to lessen the Town's liability over products being sold.

There is a program available for people who rent the Town's property called The Tulip program. This makes various levels of insurance available on a short term basis for those who need coverage only during an event.
David Voymas and Barbara Fraser said that they did not have the time to fill out the form for this program tomorrow.

Maury offered to place his credit card with Edie if David Voymas could come in to complete the online form with Edie tomorrow.
He then agreed to come in about 10:30 AM.

Maury thanked everyone and said the Board would continue to work on this matter.

David read the letter from Warren again as many more people had now arrived.
With most people now leaving the Board returned to the Town Office to finish signing the remaining paperwork.

Paperwork review included a proposal for a new Police computer. A lower priced computer did not include all of the additions that are required. After adding these up the price quote from Allan Treadwell is very comparable and Allan provides the service as well.

Land use change tax forms were signed on 2 properties and a Warrant to collect the tax was signed.

David agreed to become the contact person for the State Governor's council on Disabilities.

Form letters for Cartographics were signed so work can continue on the mapping project.

Maury then made a motion to adjourn. This was seconded by David. The motion then carried by unanimous vote.

Meeting adjourned at 8:18 PM

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Maury Collins

David Upton