

Town of Springfield, New Hampshire

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

JUNE 13, 2006

MEMORIAL BUILDING

7:00 P.M.

The following are to be considered draft minutes only until approved by the Board at their next meeting.

Present: Neal Huntoon, Bob Anderson and George McCusker.

Ed Belfield was also in attendance for the meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes: Bob moved to accept the minutes of May 23, 2006 as written, seconded by George and unanimously approved.

Department and Board Updates:

Skateboard/basketball court update: PSNH has moved their service to the new pole at the recreation field. Verizon still needs to move their service and remove the pole. NERS will schedule paving when pole has been moved. The Recreation Building Committee has met to discuss planning and fund raising activities for the park. They will meet on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month.

The Board reviewed the quote for paving at the recreation field. The quote does not include fencing around the skateboard park area. Archie Weathers has agreed to donate 4' fencing along the road for the basketball court.

Conservation Commission: The Board reviewed the June 8 minutes of the Conservation Commission, and noted their concerns. Selectmen agreed that concerns and requests by the Commission should be addressed to the Selectmen in person.

Communications Committee: The Board reviewed the May 31 minutes of the Communications Committee:

Library: The Trustee's would like to be able to have the facility used for educational purposes, classes, crafts, tutoring, etc., and requested that the Selectmen review the fees for building use when offering a series of workshops. The host of these workshops would most likely be charging a fee for participation. The Board would like the trustees to meet with them to discuss the ideas they have in mind.

Building Maintenance: Dallas Patten will do some of the small repairs on the town buildings once a schedule of repairs is compiled for him.

A quote of \$500.00 each to have the town hall and town office/library complex power washed was obtained. The Selectmen approved having the work scheduled.

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Lisa is willing to rent equipment to wash the carpeting in the town office/library complex, and treat the floors in the kindergarten. The Board approved.

Animal Control: Bill Anderson is willing to trap and remove some beaver that are causing problems on property behind the town office and on Sanborn Hill Road. In the past, he indicated that the Town has paid for the immunization booster he needs to do this. He does not charge the town for removal of the animals. The Board approved.

Pandemic Preparedness: The Board reviewed information from Sullivan County Commissioner's office regarding a joint effort to address pandemic preparedness planning throughout the county and local area. The Selectmen approved the Town's participation.

Immunizations/Flu Shots: The Board reviewed information regarding provisions for flu shots, for employees and immunizations for first responders/fire department personnel. The Board would like more information and will review this at a later meeting.

NH Retirement System: The Board reviewed information regarding provisions for life and disability coverage for fire department personnel for accidents in the line of duty. The Board would like more information about this to review at a later meeting.

Correspondence: Concern addressed regarding building on property on Four Corner's Road. The property owner will be contacted.

Thank you note from Joe Collins for assistance in helping him locate his lost ponies.

CTC Communications would like an opportunity to meet with the Board to review internet/phone service for the town. The Board agreed to schedule a meeting with their representative.

Miscellaneous Business:

Ed Belfield addressed his concern regarding safety issues along the lake on Route 114. There is an area of stone steps along the guardrail that is caving in and is a danger for pedestrians and vehicular traffic. He also commented that from the lake along Route 114, there is an area of the embankment that is being undermined along the shoreline of the road. The Board agreed to send a letter addressing their concerns to the DOT.

Joe Abbondanza met with the Board at 7:50 p.m. Joe explained that his septic system at his residence in Sutton has failed. He would like to be able to use materials from his land on Sanborn Hill to fix the system. He indicated that he is not making money with the material but would be using it to replace his system in Sutton, and to build a system for himself in Warner, for which he has a septic design. He also indicated that he perhaps should have asked for a site plan approval for a shorter period of time to address the

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needs on a yearly basis. He indicated he is willing to work with the Town and is concerned about the conditions of approval and the amount of work that he is being required to do to meet the conditions of his Site Plan approval. The Board indicated that under the current cease and desist order, they cannot let him haul any materials from the site. The Board advised him that if he wishes to seek amended site plan approval, he will need to go back before the Planning Board. He was informed that the Planning Board could not amend his site plan approval without a hearing. He was informed of the statutory requirements for public notification if he wishes to schedule an amended site plan review hearing.

Driveway issue: The Board reviewed a private driveway that now serves three residences and an issue with the sequencing of house numbers. According to 911 guidelines the private drive will have to be named, and the 911 numbering will have to be corrected. The property owners will be informed of this change, and will be asked to submit a name for the private drive.

Estimate reviewed and purchase order approved from Hugo's Electric for replacement of exit lights in the Library and wiring for the refrigerator in the downstairs meeting room.

The Board granted approval for Brad's vacation request.

The Board approved release of escrow for HHP Timber Products.

Abatements were reviewed. Applications, letters and refunds were signed and will be mailed on Tuesday, June 20.

With no further business, the Board voted to adjourn at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Janet Roberts,
Administrative Assistant