

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

APRIL 22, 2008

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: Selectmen, John Chiarella, Don Hill and Neal Huntoon; Tom Duling, Health Officer; and Tim Julian, Police Chief.

Minutes: Minutes of April 8, 2008 were unanimously approved.

At the beginning of the meeting a telephone call was received from Mrs. Shampney. She reported she did not have septic blueprints yet. The phones were put on speaker, and a conference call was held. Mrs. Shampney has been unable to get a bill from the designer. She is thinking about contacting another designer from Newport. The Board asked her to go to the designer's office and see him directly about the plans that are all ready done. She stated she would do so tomorrow (Wednesday, April 23). She will bring the plans to the Town Office before the end of the day tomorrow. The Board reminded her of the environmental and health hazard that exists, and warned her they may be forced to take further action for failure to comply.

Tom reported he had received a telephone call regarding cutting at the Tunis property on Lake Kolelemook. The Board discussed Shoreland Protection Standards. Responsibility of enforcement of the standards was discussed. Neal stated he would take a look at the property.

Board Updates:

The Planning Board would like to know where the Selectmen are in the notification letter regarding zoning compliance for Home and Commercial Business. The Board discussed the letter that had been drafted and the questionnaire that was proposed to accompany the letter. John felt an inventory of business should be requested on an annual basis. The Board discussed compliance and enforcement issues. Janet will contact the Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Region Planning Commission to see if they are able to offer any assistance with this.

At 7:50 p.m. the Board voted to enter into non-public session per RSA 91-A:3 II (e) – Litigation. At 8:00 p.m. the Board voted to enter back into public session.

Fire Department:

Present; Dallas Patten, Chief; Jack Hedges, and Erik Rollins.

Also present, Ray Bushey from E-1.

Dallas reported the department has made a decision to purchase the truck through E-1. The price includes 500' of the large diameter hose needed, and all of the attack lines on the vehicle. E-1 is offering a purchase option which would give the department credit toward other hose and equipment. The truck is expected to be delivered in about 180

days. Dallas and Erik stated the department has been planning and looking at trucks for over a year. Reaching a decision was difficult. All the trucks were quality trucks. They are confident the department has made the right decision in choosing this truck. The Selectmen agreed to the department's decision. The Board signed the purchase agreement. The Board will do some further checking with the bank before making a decision as to the amount they will apply toward the credit option.

Signatures:

Purchase orders were signed for the Highway Department. Building permits reviewed and signed. The Board signed a letter appointing Kevin Lee as Springfield's Commissioner to the Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Region Planning Commission. A Cemetery Plot Deed was signed.

Correspondence:

The Board reviewed a note from Patsy Caswell, Historical Society Chairperson. They would like to have the trees removed from the stone wall and replacement of the split rail fencing. The Board felt perhaps the trees could be pruned. They are concerned with pulling the stumps as it would cause further damage to the wall. Cutting the trees would leave unsightly stumps. The Board will send notice to the Historical Society. There are no funds appropriated to redo the wall this year. Costs could be investigated for another year.

The Board accepted with regret, the resignation of Frank Anderson as Emergency Management Director. The Board is open to suggestions as to someone who would be interested in serving in this capacity.

Miscellaneous:

Office Computers: After consideration of the proposals that have been presented, Don moved to contract with NH Computer Solutions for computer purchase and support. The motion was seconded by Neal and unanimously approved.

The Board reviewed an e-mail request for use of the Town Hall. After discussion, the Board felt the building would not be adequate for the proposed use.

The Board reviewed the schedule of payments recently received by the Kearsarge Regional School District.

George Hill Land – Yager/Patten. After reviewing advice from Town Counsel, Neal made a motion for the Town to assess this parcel as a separate lot of record, with half interest being billed to each of the two parties claiming ownership, (Jim Yager and Dallas & Malcolm Patten). The motion was seconded by John and approved.

The Board voted to adjourn at 10:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Janet Roberts,
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