

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

**JUNE 10, 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: John Chiarella, and Don Hill. Due to a prior commitment, Neal Huntoon arrived at 7:30 p.m.

John called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Minutes: The Minutes of May 27, 2008 were approved as written.

Old Business:

Shampney update: The water sample was taken, the results are pending.

Town Hall Fuel Use: The Town hall used approximately 1300 gallons of fuel from November to March. The Board will consider whether to close the building for the winter later in the fall.

Highway Department: The Board discussed moving the inside fuel tank for heating, and installing a vehicle fuel tank outside.

Veteran's Credit: Paula Clemente, from the Department of Revenue, has completed her review of Exemptions and Credits. The Selectmen agreed to honor the Veteran's Credit for residents who have been receiving the credit through 2008. New applications will be screened for appropriate documentation. Veteran's who do not have appropriate documentation will be asked to provide such before the end of 2008. The Board approved the preliminary notification letter.

At 7:30 p.m. Neal arrived, having come from a prior commitment. Neal took over as Chairman for the remainder of the meeting.

Board Updates:

Police Department: Chief Tim Julian and Michael Beaulieu met with the Board. A matter involving a juvenile was discussed. A unanimous decision was reached to process a no trespass order.

Misuse and abuse of the raft at the beach and possible solutions were discussed. Beach rules and Skateboard park rules were reviewed. The Board will post rules on the website. Don moved to post two additional "Swim At Your Own Risk" signs at the beach, seconded by John and unanimously approved.

Linda Welch, Cemetery Trustee discussed revisions to Cemetery Rules the Trustees have completed. Following review, the Selectmen approved the proposed changes. Copies will be laminated and posted at the cemetery and made available when a site is purchased.

Linda reported the Trustees will mark road locations in the new section of the new cemetery.

Neal reported he met with Ross Stevens, Engineer, and Road Agent Brad Butcher at the Highway/Fire Complex. Ross will begin investigating the possibility of building a storage area in back of the highway garage. Relocation of the sand/salt shed, and the bulk winter sand storage was reviewed. The location of the existing sand/salt shed could be used for future building or parking space. Ross will be putting together an estimate of costs. He would have Clayton Platt do topography surveying, and Peter Schauer will address wetlands delineation and permitting. Neal stated an area for an outside fuel tank in a containment area with a roof would be looked at. The heating oil tank inside the garage should be moved away from the garage doors.

Cynthia Bruss, Conservation Commission member, met with the Board to address concerns she has with the recent letter received from the attorney representing the Dutchman Pond and Webster Pass Homeowner Associations. The Board reviewed the response they gave with Cynthia.

Cynthia reported she and John Trachy have walked the Kinsley lot and have identified corners and boundaries. This is the first lot they have done to fulfill the Commission's responsibility to manage town lots. They would like to meet with the Selectmen at their next meeting to discuss marking corners, freshening blazes, and management of timber.

Don Hill conveyed the Conservation Commission's concerns regarding the impact the power company had on the land when cutting the power line easement. He was asked if the Selectmen would write a letter addressing this issue.

The Conservation Commission is also concerned with debris left near the bridge replaced by the snowmobile club this winter. Janet Roberts reported the snowmobile club will take care of the debris. They were waiting for drier conditions before going back there.

Dallas Patten, Fire Chief. Dallas reported on a brush fire on Eastman Access Road. He discussed with the Board the expenses the department incurred in materials, food and beverages for the firefighters. There were over 85 man hours involved with the fire. The Board unanimously approved billing the landowner for reimbursement of costs associated with the above mentioned items.

Dallas questioned what the status of parking at the recreation field was. John Chiarella affirmed that this is on the list of future projects, but funds for this are unknown at this time. Dallas conveyed concerns from his department regarding vehicle parking on both sides of the emergency entrance. Fire members are worried about pedestrians crossing the access road when members are responding to and from the department in an emergency. The Selectmen discussed placing no parking signs along the right side of the entrance.

Emergency Management Director: The Board asked Dallas if he had any suggestions regarding an Emergency Management Director to fill the vacant position. A couple of names were mentioned. This will be discussed further. For now, the Selectmen are fulfilling this obligation.

Code of Conduct and Ethics Policies: John Chiarella presented copies of policies he has put together. John stated these policies would codify things for new personnel. The Board will review these and discuss them at the next meeting.

The Selectmen discussed the ability for each Selectman and Department Head to have an e-mail account that would go through the town e-mail service. This will be discussed with computer support and will be reviewed at the next meeting.

Non-public: At 9:15 p.m. the Selectmen voted unanimously to enter into non-public session per RSA 91-A: 3 Personnel. At 9:30 p.m. the Board voted to seal the non-public minutes and enter back into public session.

Zoning Board update: Don Hill reported regarding the Zoning Board meeting of June 3, 2008. A Variance was granted to Brian and Patti Ball for a deck setback. A Variance was granted to Robert Teach for a house setback. The Miller Variance hearing was continued to August.

Computer update: Janet reported that NH Computer Specialists has completed installation of the server and new computers. There have been a few problems which have been quickly resolved. The service agreement was signed. This had been approved previously but Selectmen signatures were overlooked.

Winter Maintenance Reduction: Neal reported on the outcome of the reduced winter maintenance meeting held by NH DOT. Winter salt use will be reduced in the areas of Little Lake Sunapee and Lake Kolelemook.

Recreation Field Update: John reported he is working with Lisa Morcom to spread the word for volunteers for the June 28, 2008 work day. Posters will be printed and information will be on the website.

#### Correspondence:

The Selectmen reviewed a letter of concern from Brian and Patricia Ball regarding their hearing process with the Zoning Board. Since similar concerns had been raised in other cases, the Board forwarded their letter to the Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Planning Commission. A suggestion by UVLSRPC was made and will be forwarded to the Zoning Board.

The Selectmen reviewed a letter from Russell Putnam conveying his issue with the amount of plowing required at the Deer Hill Tower. The Site Plan Approval granted in 2000 requires each snowstorm of 3" or more be plowed. The Selectmen agreed any decision to amend the Site Plan would have to be done through the Planning Board and will forward a recommendation to Mr. Putnam.

A letter from Philbrick Hill Road resident's, Mr. & Mrs. Watkins, and Mr. & Mrs. Nulsen regarding their concern with Church services being held at Grace Children's Home on Sundays was reviewed. The question was raised whether Grace Children's Home had appropriate Zoning approval to do this. The Selectmen agree the matter requires more research and will be looked into.

**Signatures:**

Tax Collector's Warrant approved and signed.

Intent to Cut Timber approved.

Building permits approved and signed.

Approval forms – Elderly Exemptions signed.

Town Clerk's Warrant for unlicensed dogs signed.

Miscellaneous Business: Public Hearing to be held Tuesday, June 17, at 7:00 p.m. by the Department of Environmental Services at the Town Hall regarding the results of the Village District of Eastman's groundwater withdrawal testing.

Don Hill will attend the Local Welfare Administrator's workshop in Laconia on June 26.

The Selectmen voted unanimously to adjourn at 10:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Janet Roberts,  
Administrative Assistant