

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

MAY 27, 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: Neal Huntoon, Don Hill, and John Chiarella.
Ed Belfield was also in attendance.

Minutes: A correction was made on page two to eliminate a duplicate "after the".
Neal moved to accept the minutes as corrected, seconded by John and unanimously approved.

Old Business:

An appointment needs to be scheduled with Ross Stevens to begin site planning at the fire/highway complex. Neal will meet with him.

Neal reported that the Memorial Day Service went very well.

Shampney update: A water test will be scheduled.

Hansen property: The building application for Michael Hansen was reviewed. Neal reported the Planning Board and Zoning Board do not appear to be in agreement as to the process involved. Cynthia Hayes has informed the Board that Mr. Hansen should have been directed to the Zoning Board for an amended Special Exception. The Planning Board has approved Mr. Hansen's amended site plan for two additional buildings on his property. Neal stated the Planning and Zoning Boards need to come to an agreement that the proper approvals are in place. The Board denied the Mr. Hansen's building permit application for a 30 x 30 building pending appeal to the ZBA for an amended Special Exception.

The Selectmen will review with the Planning and Zoning Boards the possibility of scheduling a joint work session to review the process for amended site plan and amended special exception. The Board also discussed the requirement for written communications between boards with multiple boards being asked for and presenting recommendations during public hearings. This should become a permanent part of an applicant's file.

Dutchman Pond Update: The Board reviewed a letter dated 5/23/08 received from the Attorney representing the Dutchman Pond and Webster Pass Homeowner Associations. The Board reviewed the survey plan completed in 2005. A letter of response will be drafted to Attorney D'Amante.

The Board agreed to contact Clayton Platt, of Pennyroyal Hill Land Surveying to investigate records of legal access to the Royal Arch and Society properties.

Board Updates:

Local Emergency Operations: Updates to the Local Emergency Operation Plan cannot be done until someone is appointed to replace Frank Anderson as an Emergency Operations Director. The Selectmen can serve in this capacity until a replacement is found. The Board discussed the possibility of appointing a director and co-director. The Selectmen will investigate how other towns handle this matter. The Selectmen agreed to oversee emergency operations management until a director can be found.

Veterans Exemption qualifications were reviewed. The Department of Revenue has been working with office staff to review the existing applications and supporting documentation. Letters will be sent to existing applicants informing them of the need to update information when necessary. The Selectmen agreed the credit would continue to apply for first tax billing. Further investigation will be needed to determine how to proceed with the credit for the second tax billing.

911 mapping: Preliminary maps have been received from the State. The maps will be reviewed and a meeting will be scheduled with Fire/Rescue and Police, before the consent is returned to the State to continue the process.

Signatures:

Purchase order approved for the highway department.

Abatement application approved for Attardo.

Building rental applications were approved.

Yield Tax assessments were reviewed and signed.

Communications and e-mail policy was discussed.

The Selectmen discussed the possibility of closing the town hall from November to March due to rising fuel costs.

The Board discussed local fuel assistance and their concern with the impact this had on the town budget this year, and the possibilities for next year.

The NH Department of Transportation will hold a public hearing to discuss decreased winter maintenance on sections of Route 114 near Little Lake Sunapee, and Lake Kolelemook on May 29th @ 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Janet Roberts,
Administrative Assistant

