

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

June 22, 2009

MEMORIAL BUILDING

7:00 P.M.

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

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm

Selectmen present:

John Chiarella

Don Hill

Dave Tucker

Others present:

Donald MacDowell

Madelynn Vassallo

Tim Jullian

Maryann Petrin

Trudy Heath

Public Comments:

Mr. MacDowell wants to build a new house, subdivide the barn/garage his family is currently living in and sell it. His deed shows that the property was 2 parcels and was merged to become one. He feels that he is being put through more than others are when they want to do the same thing. The selectmen stated that this is not the case and they just want to make sure he is following the rules that are in place to protect him from undue expenses. Kevin and Tom will be out to inspect the location of the septic. The permit was obtained in 2005 but was not completed so the permit has expired and now requires new signatures. As far as subdividing he must go through zoning to be sure that the lot/s are conforming or if they are non-conforming, there may not be 2 dwellings on one property and he must also check his deed to be sure there were no stipulations in his deed. Original building permit was issued in 2005 so he must apply for a new one due to the amount of time that has passed without substantial progress being done. Mr. MacDowell is also concerned with the amount of "snitching" going on concerning the activity on his property. John pointed out that because the property is located on a main road he needs to realize that the amount of people that pass by is very large. Because of this many people are going to see what he is doing and ask questions.

Dan Smith (phone conference):

One year ago lawsuit was originally filed against Costello. Costello claims that Nemcovich's have no access to their property. On various occasions he blocks access with material such as rocks etc. The town must reply to the suit and Dan has done so. Town tax map shows that Nemcovich's have no access but they can not be relied on for exact info. A deed from Erickson 1985-1988 does not show enough info concerning Nemcovich property on the road. Dashner Plan does show frontage on the road. Need to check what the town has for road information concerning Meadow Brook Road frontages.

Maryanne/ Trudy (recreation committee):

Maryann and Trudy turned over \$14,080.68 which closes out the rec. fund. They both expressed that while a tennis court, a gazebo and/or a playground was the intended items for the money to go towards. While they both realize that the tennis court is beyond possible they don't want to see the money go towards a parking lot because that was not what the money was raised for. John voiced that a parking lot is needed and that is what the money should be used for. Questions were raised as to whether or not a parking lot would be a town responsibility instead. For the time being the money will go into a special fund until the decision is made.

Keith Cutting (Emergency Management):

Wanted to know if he should send out 2 proposals as part of the grant application process. Selectmen thought that sounded good. Keith will send one to the UVLSPC with a time limit of July 10th and due back by the 27th.

Dashner (sewage spreading permit)

Nothing has changed with the state regulation or the town so approval happens automatically. Public can have input only but will not change approval unless rules and regulations are not being followed. Selectmen will look into whether or not anything has been missed that would give the town the right to revoke the approval.

Selectmen speaking to public:

LGC states that selectmen can talk to public but can't say the problem will be fixed. They need to remind the public that they can be put on the agenda and speak at a meeting. Dave stated that they are selectmen only on meeting night. Don stated that they can be sounding board but not an advocate.

Selectmen voted to limit public comment to no more than 5 minutes. If more time is needed they will be put on the agenda for the next meeting.

Going to ask \$6000 for the explorer and drop the price if no activity after 2 weeks.

At the last Planning meeting RSM showed up without a map because he did not feel he was not being told exactly what would be wanted on it. Did not want to spend money only to find out they wanted more than he showed.

Tom and Tim need to go to the location on Lorent Dr and find out if someone is living in shed. Find out if Tim has done anything before the next selectmen's meeting.

Raffle permit application was given to Laura; she will return it with a ticket.

2 abatements were approved and received signatures. 2 abatements were not approved and received signatures. Building permits were signed.

Don't have room for political party individuals to come and answer questions.

Don will sign checks for the month of July.

The next meeting is on the 6th and will consist of last minute Old Home Day items only.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15pm

Respectfully submitted,
Tamara Butcher