

## SELECTMEN'S MEETING – February 28, 2011

Present: John J. Strasser, Margo Connors, Richard Bielefield  
Jennifer Gaudette

Guests: Moderator James Snyder, Fire Chief Allan Clark, Nick DeMayo

Correspondence was read and acted upon.

Moderator James Snyder met with the Selectmen to review the warrant for Town Meeting and to update the board on the Moderator workshop that he attended. Mr. Snyder will not be allowing any handouts regarding warrant articles on town property. Mr. Snyder asked the board if they were comfortable with the voice votes taken at Town Meeting knowing that there may be people in the room that are not registered voters. Some towns have all residents check in and receive a colored card that is held up instead of using voice votes. Mr. Snyder and the board agreed that there does not seem to currently be a problem with the voice vote. Mr. Snyder will share his information with the Town body that ultimately will make the decision.

The Selectmen received notification that Gene Chandler is the North Country representative for Congressman Charlie Bass and is in Littleton on Monday & Friday.

MR. BIELEFIELD made a motion to appoint Colleen Foley to replace Elaine Burpee as library trustee on the recommendation of the remaining trustees, seconded by MR. STRASSER. The motion was approved unanimously. The term of this appointment will expire in 2013.

MS. CONNORS made a motion to appoint Janel Lawton to the Sugar Hill Conservation Commission as a regular member, seconded by MR. BIELEFIELD. The motion was approved unanimously. The term of this appointment will expire in 2012.

The Selectmen approved a building permit for renovations as submitted by Cornelia Lorentzen on Map 215, Lot 26.

Public Session:

NICK DE MAYO stated that he felt the issuance of cards for registered voters at Town Meeting would be a good idea so that only registered voters are actually voting on budget items. Mr. DeMayo inquired as to the Town Vehicle Policy and was advised that it is not complete at this time and a copy would be shared with him when finished.

FIRE CHIEF ALLAN CLARK met with the board and reviewed the articles for Town Meeting that he would be speaking to. Ms. Connors asked the Chief if there was anything that could be done with houses that are not plowed out and would cause a problem for responding fire units. Chief Clark advised that equipment would need to be brought in to open a driveway but that personnel would do what they could until it

arrived. Also discussed was that Chief Clark and Jennifer can now access the E911 system to make changes. Mr. DeMayo stated that there is confusion with having both Streeter Pond Drive and Streeter Pond Road and perhaps the town could change the name of Streeter Pond Drive. He thought perhaps the road could be named in honor of Chief Pequeno. Mr. DeMayo also questioned if the Town might be liable if there was confusion when responding to the wrong road. It was also noted that Beaver Pond Trail should be changed to Beaver Pond Drive so that there it is not confused with a hiking trail.

MS. CONNORS updated the board on services that the North Country Council can provide to the Town in regard to the Capital Improvement Plan.

The current streetlights were discussed and Mr. Strasser and Mr. Bielefield provided some background history for Ms. Connors on the replacement project that had been done previously.

It was agreed that a sign should be placed at the Meetinghouse reminding residents of the 7:00 start time.

MR. BIELEFIELD discussed a request by James & Patricia Brown in regard to their road being built off Route 18. The board agreed that either a bank line of credit or an escrow account is needed. They will not open an account with the Brown's and the Town as signers.

MR. BIELEFIELD made a motion to accept the minutes of February 14, 2011, seconded by MR. STRASSER. The motion was approved unanimously.

MR. STRASSER made a motion to move to non-public session at 6:50PM to discuss a legal correspondence, seconded by MR. BIELEFIELD.

MR. BIELEFIELD made a motion to seal the minutes of the non-public session and return to public session and adjourn the meeting at 7:00 PM, seconded by MS. CONNORS. Motion passed. The next regular scheduled meeting will be on Monday, March 7, 2011 at the Carolina Crapo Building at 6:00PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer P. Gaudette  
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