

SELECTMEN'S MEETING – December 14, 2015

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

Guests: Road Agent Douglas Glover, Holly Hayward

Correspondence was read and acted upon.

The Town Clerk/Tax Collector will be closed on December 22, 24 and 31st.
The Select Board Office will be closed December 24th.

The board discussed the Tri Town Intergovernmental Agreement for the Management of Solid Waste. The board will ask Attorney Waugh to update the agreement with his suggestions included. Once complete the board will share with Franconia and Easton next month.

The Richardson Memorial Library Trustees will meet with the Select Board on January 11, 2016.

ROAD AGENT DOUG GLOVER presented the board with his 2016 budget. The total budget for 2016 was up \$3,000. The highway department will be putting a gate up at the stump dump at the intersection of Creamery Pond and Route 117. The department was able to do more road surfacing than planned by not contracting out all the work and completing it themselves. The new highway department truck has arrived and will be sent out for the new dump body to be installed. The building and grounds department will get the highway truck being replaced and the oldest truck will be put out to bid new month.

HOLLY HAYWARD met with the board in regard to her special exception granted by the board of adjustment. Holly would like to be able to have food and drink served under tents on her property, The Pioneer Wedding Barn. The board amended her special exception to allow the serving of food and drink outside and kept the conditions in place in regard to parking, 100 guest maximum capacity, adherence to the noise ordinance and no entry/exit onto the property from Route 117 for events. In addition the food and drink must be done by vendors.

The board received a request from The Ledges for final inspection of the white cottage. Mr. Bielefield will go along with Mr. Clark once a date and time that works for all is established.

The board discussed the new fees presented by Allen Clark for building permits. The board will stay with the existing building permit application with a note in regard to commercial applications being handled on a case by case basis. The board is still deciding on the final fees but is not in favor of adding an application fee at this time. Mr. Clark also asked for legal clarification on definition of abode as it pertains to second homeowners completing work. The question will be sent to NHMA for an opinion.

The board signed land use change tax warrants for 2015 and also an abatement. In addition there was one veteran credit that did not appear in 2014 or 2015 and a refund check was done.

The board received a request from Tim Casa requesting that the Town take over Ore Hill Road. Mr. Casa stated that the road was built to Town specifications eight years ago with the owner's intent to have the Town take it over. The board will notify Mr. Casa again that the Town is not taking over any additional roads as there is not the equipment, manpower or funding available.

MR. STRASSER made a motion to approve the minutes of December 7, 2015, seconded by MS. CONNORS. The motion passed unanimously.

With no more business and no appointments before the Board, MR. BIELEFIELD made a motion to adjourn; seconded by MS. CONNORS the meeting was adjourned at 7:00 pm. The next regular scheduled meeting will be on Monday December 21, 2015 at the Carolina Crapo Building at 5:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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