

SELECTMEN'S MEETING –February 4, 2019

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

Guests: Chief Allan Clark, David Birdwell – Sat Nam Foundation

Correspondence was read and acted upon.

The board will not meet on Monday February 18th in observance of the Presidents Day Holiday.

DAVID BIRDWELL from the Sat Nam Foundation, the new owners of Ski Hearth Farm met with the board and presented a zoning permit for a tourist home designation for the farmhouse. The board denied the permit as a special exception is required. Mr. Birdwell also discussed the possibility of a music event on the property that would run for four days and include workshops and classes. The Foundation currently hosts events on the West Coast and one on the East Coast. Number of attendees could be 700 but they would anticipate a smaller figure the first year. CHIEF CLARK noted that certain fire codes would need to be met and he will do a walk through of the property with Mr. Birdwell. A music festival would require an Assembly permit from the Fire Chief. Chief Clark noted that he would like to see an emergency exit onto Route 18 be established in the future. The foundation anticipates volunteers coming to work at the farm and they will be living at the farm house. Currently seven rooms and one will be occupied by the farm manager and they will request the other six be in the tourist home designation. The apartment and the school located in the farmhouse are separate. Chief Clark noted that the building has the required sprinkler system although he doesn't believe it is currently hooked up. A hearing will be scheduled with the Zoning Board of Adjustment to be followed by Site Plan review with the Planning Board.

MR. BIELEFIELD made a motion to approve the minutes of January 28, 2019 meeting seconded by MS. CONNORS. The motion passed unanimously.

With no more business before the Board, MS. CONNORS made a motion to adjourn and move downstairs for the Budget Hearing; seconded by MR. STRASSER the meeting was adjourned at 6:00 PM. The next regular scheduled meeting will be on Monday February 25, 2019, at the Carolina Crapo Building at 6:00PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer P. Gaudette
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