TOWN OF NEW HAMPTON
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES
TOWN OFFICE
NEW HAMPTON, NH  03256

August 2, 2018

MEMBERS PRESENT:
Mr. Irvine, Mr. Denoncour and Mr. Mertz were present.

OTHERS PRESENT:
Town Administrator Mrs. Lucas.

CALL TO ORDER:
Mr. Irvine called the meeting of the Board to order at 6:32 pm.

WORK SESSION
Manifests, bills, requisitions, purchase orders and leave request forms.

The board approved the following Building Permit application(s):
1. David and Sharon Shorey, Tax Map U-7, Lot 5
2. Frank Geis, Tax Map R-4, Lot 4 permit denied, 75% of construction not completed

The board took no action on the following sign permits:
1. NH Smokehouse – BBQ Shak, Tax Map R-5, Lot 5 – HOLD for more information
2. Granite State Greenhouse and Nursery, Inc., Tax Map R-4, Lot 90A -HOLD

APPOINTMENTS
7:00 pm Mr. Bill Bolton – Candidate for Senate

DISCUSSION
• The Board signed the appointment to Planning Board as an alternate – Teresa Griffin.
• Reviewed the Pending Tax Deed list. Mr. Mertz motioned to sign the Deed Waiver for Loren Emmons for 2015 taxes, seconded by Mr. Denoncour. Vote was unanimous. Document signed and forwarded to Tax Collector.
• Quote from Steve Hanser for Town House roof. $12,150.00. Fall possibly but definitely spring. The Board asked Mrs. Lucas to ask that Mr. Hanser schedule for fall if at all possible.
• Bill of Sale for truck - $3,265. Authorize Town Administrator to sign upon receipt of a bank check in the amount of the bid. Mr. Mertz motioned to authorize Mrs. Lucas to sign the bill of sale, seconded by Mr. Denoncour. Vote passed unanimously.
• Memo from Police Chief Huckins re: continued part-time coverage, dated 8/2. The Board appreciated the Chief’s offer and accepted. They also agreed he should sign leave slips as he is still the Chief.
- Follow-up on email from Kelly Lloyd, dated 7/13 re: access to lot R-6, Lot 13E. Road agent said road provides safe site distances and there is already a driveway access there. After discussion the Board asked Mrs. Lucas to advise Ms. Lloyd that the lack of frontage on this preexisting non-conforming lot would not prohibit the issuance of a building permit for the lot.

- Request for speed signs on Old Bristol Road. Email response from Police Chief regarding his recommendation on the request. The Board agreed with the need for additional speed signage. Mr. Mertz expressed concern with the removal of knotweed in Dark Hollow at the powerlines. Mr. Mertz pointed out another location where the knotweed is growing on Old Bristol Road. Mr. Irvine pointed out that he didn’t believe there was a systematic plan in place for dealing with the knotweed. The Board discussed further the problem with knotweed removal.

- Copy of notice for Solid Waste Ordinance Amendments, 8/23. The Board reviewed the amendments to the tire rim size and the 30 gallon “container” for shingles. The Board was satisfied with the changes and agreed to move forward with the hearing.

- Email from Steven Whitley regarding Northern Pass, dated 7/27. The Board discussed the point at which further participation and cost would not benefit the town. The Board agreed to ask Atty. Whitley what the value, moving forward, does our further participation provide, what return on investment is there and is there a down side if we were to back away at this point. Mrs. Lucas will contact the attorney.

- Letter from Senator Bob Guida, re: meeting on August 9th at 1pm. The members had other commitments and could not attend.

- Email request for a “no outlet” sign for Magoon Road, dated 7/27. The Board agreed to provide a sign, but wanted the sign to be consistent with the other signs, which is thought to be “Not a Through Road”.

- The Board reviewed the Summary of Election Law Changes from Ms. Regina Adams. Copies will be sent to the members via email.

- New Hampton Village Precinct Financial statements for 2016-2017 was submitted.

- Hart property on Kelley Pond Road, dated 7/25. Appt. set with PD, Office, PWD and landowner for 8/9 has been changed from 11am. to 2pm. Mr. Irvine advised he could not attend, but Mr. Denoncour said he may, but would advise Mrs. Lucas.

- Appointment with Board for Paul Vrusho regarding storage of trees and compliance with sign ordinance. Mrs. Lucas advised the Board that Mr. Vruscho has complied with the sign ordinance and will be meeting with the Board next week to discuss the storage of trees.

- The Board was advised that Harry Vien has made an appointment next week – re: his candidacy for State Representative.

- The Board discussed the situation on Clement Road where some animals were released by the owners to the custody of the State Vet with the assistance of the Police Department. It was noted that 3 domestic animals were not released.
OTHER BUSINESS  Mrs. Lucas advised the Selectmen she had met with Mr. Dan Rivanis and Mr. Sherman Ross from the New Hampton Community Church to discuss potential plans for adding onto the Church. She had advised them of the zoning and site plan regulations that may apply. Also discussed was the possibility of discontinuing the road “Church Lane, which would take a vote of the town. She recommended when they decide what they want to do that they schedule an appointment with the Selectmen and the Planning Board for information/conceptual meetings.

PUBLIC COMMENT  None

NON-PUBLIC SESSION  At 7:42 pm, Mr. Mertz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Irvine, to go into Non-Public Session, according to RSA 91A:3 II (b) Hiring. Roll call was taken, Mr. Irvine, Mr. Denoncour and Mr. Mertz were present and the vote was unanimous.

RETURN TO PUBLIC SESSION  At 8:50 pm, Mr. Irvine made a motion, seconded by Mr. Denoncour, to come out of Non-Public Session and to seal the minutes for 5 years. Votes were unanimous.

Meeting adjourned at 8:52 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Lucas