

Minutes

Albany NH Selectmen's Meeting

May 25, 2011

At 2:55 p.m., the Selectmen's meeting was called to order. In attendance were Sara Young-Knox, Jack Rose and Joe Ferris. Also present were Lee Grant and June Johnson. Curtis Coleman joined the meeting at 3:15 p.m. The following business was conducted.

Regular Business:

- Reviewed & approved May 18 minutes-Sara amended the minutes to read that Jack (not Sara) further noted the demolished building on the same lot asking if they filed a permit. Jack made a motion to accept the minutes as amended, Sara seconded the motion. All were in favor with one abstention.
- Sign checks totaling \$103,488.04.
- Reviewed response from DeFelice Corporation-See DeFelice Corporation below.
- Reviewed update from Hastings Law office.
- Reviewed letter from North Country Council.
- Reviewed correspondence from Time Warner Cable-Joe made a motion to e-mail Time Warner to complain that our channels keep getting reduced, however, their rates continue to rise, Jack seconded the motion and all were in favor.
- Reviewed letter from NH Charitable Foundation.
- Reviewed previous letters to and from April Gilcreast regarding 1854 NH Route 16-See April Gilcreast below.

Historical Society:

Sara announced a meeting of the Albany Historical Society will be held on Wednesday, June 8, at 12:00 p.m. at the Albany Chapel. Everyone is invited to bring their own bagged lunch. Sara feels the meeting should be held at the chapel because while discussing physical historical objects, there is no need for description because the item will be within reach in the museum.

Sara asked the AA to get an estimate from the cleaning company for the floors in the chapel.

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Curtis Coleman (Road Agent):

Curtis suggested the placement of rocks beside a culvert on Bald Hill Rd. rather than a more expensive guardrail. Jack asked if Curtis would have enough room to plow in the winter. Curtis replied yes. The other issue Curtis addressed was the missing delineators by Tin Mountain on Bald Hill Rd. Someone has placed poles there and Curtis thought maybe cause of the missing delineators. He will replace the delineators.

Jack asked Curtis if he was satisfied with the roads in the Wildwood Development now that PSNH has finished replacing the electric lines. Curtis replied the roads were not helped by the work that was done but it needed to be resealed anyway. Curtis will review the video from before the work had commenced and report back to the Selectmen.

Joe asked Curtis about possibly asking forester Megan Henderson to put up a bond for Drake Hill Rd. if she intends on pulling logging trucks over the northern Drake Hill Rd. bridge. Curtis said definitely. He added that the end of Drake Hill Rd. was just sealed and those trucks will ruin the road. Joe was concerned about the weight limit of the bridge in question. He referred to the engineer's letter which disapproved any truck weighing over 50,000 crossing the bridge. Curtis is going to get a value for the bridge and will come up with a number for the bond. Joe made a motion to insist that a bond be put up for Drake Hill Rd. and the northern bridge when timber harvesting is to begin, Jack seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Jack asked the AA to write a letter to Tracey Hanson of Bald Hill Rd. She was to close one of her driveways and he thinks both are being used.

DeFelice Corporation:

The Board discussed the closing of Bald Hill Rd. for the wastewater project headed by the Conway Village Fire District. Jack felt strongly that every resident should be notified of the specific days and times the road will be closed. He has had a few business owners approach him with concern. Sara suggested that the information be placed in the Albany Town Column. The AA told the Board the road closing is to take place for the months of June and July from 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. daily with the potential for a day here or there in the month of August. Joe's concern was for the need of an emergency vehicle to get through without detour. The AA told the project manager of the concern and he replied that Conway Village Fire District will be notified as they are in charge of this project and he would notify the Sheriff's

Department as well as the State Police. Joe thought it was important that these vehicles not be detoured as time is precious in an emergency.

Vending Cart Permit:

At 3:45 p.m., Daniel Cormier joined the meeting with an application for a vending cart permit. After review of the application and the vending ordinance, Joe made a motion to approve the application contingent upon approval from the Planning Board who was to meet this evening, Sara seconded the motion and all were in favor.

April Gilcreast:

Jack suggested writing a letter to April Gilcreast, owner of property at 1854 NH Route 16. The temporary fence around her property is tattered and isn't a solution to the dilapidation problem. The Board does not want an open ended deadline. If she would like to keep the same footprint of the current building but cannot adhere to the two year deadline, then she must go before the Zoning Board of Adjustment for a variance to extend the two year deadline. Jack feels the building is still a health hazard. Sara agreed to send April a friendly letter to let her know about the fence and let her know the situation cannot be open ended. The Board's concern is the building continues to deteriorate and if no progress is made, it will go on indefinitely. Jack made a motion to draft the letter to April Gilcreast, Sara seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Land Governance Board:

Jack told the Board the Land Governance Board was interested in amending the current purchase and sales agreement with Trust for Public Land. Jack made a motion to consult with legal counsel about different options, Sara seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Website:

The AA asked the Board if they reviewed potential website templates provided by AlpineWeb. All members replied they had. Jack said it was difficult to see a specific potential structure by just looking at the mechanics of the template. He added he had no objection to changing over to a web based website but asked if the Board could justify the expense. Joe thought the money had not been appropriated and the Board should wait until next year. Sara suggested the Board wait a few more months to see where the

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contingency line in the budget would be. If there were no emergencies, then maybe it could be purchased.

At 4:13 p.m., Jack made a motion to adjourn, Sara seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

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