

Minutes

Albany NH Selectmen's Meeting

November 2, 2011

At 3:35 p.m., the Selectmen's meeting was called to order. In attendance were Sara Young-Knox and Jack Rose. Also present was Steve Knox. The following business was conducted.

Regular Business:

- Reviewed & approved October 26 minutes-Jack made a motion to accept the minutes as submitted, Sara seconded the motion and all were in favor.
- Signed checks totaling \$ 1,927.56.
- Reviewed status of deeded property-Sara asked the AA to set up a payment plan with the former property owner for Selectmen approval.
- Discussed employee coverage of worker's compensation- Sara suggested contacting the other towns that have hired Animal Control Officer, Joanne Gayer, to see how they handle the Worker Compensation issue. Any decisions will be made when all three Selectmen are present.
- Signed abatement for town exempt property.

Steve Knox:

Steve informed the Board that the Planning Board had unanimously voted for Adrian Simons to replace Sam Farrington as full voting member of the Planning Board and is now asking the Board of Selectmen to appoint him to a three year term. Jack made a motion to appoint Adrian Simons to the Planning Board for a three year term, Sara seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Jack asked Steve if the Planning Board had appointed a Vice-Chair. Steve replied it had not been discussed at the most recent meeting but he would like Josephine Howland to take the position if she would.

Steve noted the gate on Moat View Drive has been open for some time. He recalled when their subdivision was approved, he had been the Selectmen's representative on the Planning Board and one of the conditions of the subdivision was that a gate be placed and locked on Moat View Drive so their traffic could not pour onto privately owned Abenaki Way. He thought if the

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Board of Selectmen does not enforce such conditions it is setting precedence for future conditions to be met by applicants to the Planning Board.

The gate was thought to be owned by the Abenaki Association yet it is not known who has the key to lock and unlock it. Based on his experience, Steve feels the Association does not own the gate and he would like to see the town place a lock on it in order to enforce the conditions that had been set forth. If the Association feels the gate lies on private property, then Steve believes the gate should be moved back to the line where the town road begins.

Jack thought it had been stated the gate would remain open for the winter months to make plowing easier for the road agent. Steve replied that was not his recollection. Jack stated he felt this gate served no purpose at all because currently the traffic from Chase Hill Rd. pours onto Abenaki Way and it is a town owned road. Sara reiterated the conditions set forth in the subdivision approval needs to be enforced and if the conditions were to change, they should go through the proper channels which would be through the Planning Board or the Zoning Board of Adjustment. She agreed that right now the gate should be locked. Jack said there is nothing wrong with a public road intersecting with a private road. Sara agreed but said the changes would have to come by way of the proper channels. Jack would like the residents of Moat View Drive and Abenaki Way to approach the Selectmen with a petition to modify the right of way and in the meantime two locks should be placed on the gate so the Town doesn't have to track down a key. Sara agreed it should be locked and the Town will hold the key.

2011 Final Chapel Repairs:

Jack made a motion to approve repairs to the chapel set forth in a recommendation from Brian Taylor, Sara seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Yard Sales:

Jack suggested that a permit should be required for all yard sales. Sara thought if someone was to have numerous yard sales in a year, as 15 are allowed, it would be easier to allow multiple dates on one application with one approval. Steve added this change would have to come as an amendment to the ordinances as a permit is not required for a yard sale at this time.

At 4:45 p.m., Joe Ferris joined the meeting apologizing for his tardiness. He signed checks and got an update of the meeting.

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At 4:50 p.m., Joe made a motion to adjourn, Jack seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathleen Vizard
Administrative Assistant

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