

Minutes
Albany NH Selectmen's Meeting
April 9, 2008

At 4:00 p.m., the Selectmen's meeting opened with Robert Mathieu, Dan Sdankus and Jack Rose in attendance. Also in attendance were several citizens. The following business was conducted.

Appointments: Steve Knox-Planning Board Chair 4:30 p.m.
Bill Lake 5:30 p.m.

Regular Business:

- Reviewed & approved April 2 minutes
- Signed checks
- Reviewed & approved two Building Permits
- Reviewed Antioch New Selectpersons training program
- Reviewed & signed TDBanknorth signature card
- Reviewed letter from Conway regarding Public Information Officer Training
- Reviewed letter from Conway regarding Pandemic Planning Committee
- Reviewed letter from Society for the Protection of NH Forests
- Reviewed US Forest Service Schedule of Proposed Action
- Reviewed & signed letter to Mary Willenbrock regarding mold test

Steve Knox:

Steve came before the Board to present 7 people who are willing and able to serve as Planning Board Members. This will complete the 5 full member board as well as having 5 alternates. The people are Steve Dexter, Rob Nadler, Tara Taylor, Brian Taylor, Joe Ferris, Sam Farrington, and John Newton. Because Tara and John have served on the Planning Board before, Steve suggested that they be appointed as full members with the rest as alternates.

Bob said he was thrilled to have so many people come forth. He asked each appointee individually what their motivation was and if Article 15 on the 2008 warrant was a motivator. Brian Taylor answered that he felt that there was a real need. He said he has experience as he was a former Selectmen and Emergency Manager. Brian added that Article 15 was one motivator.

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Joe Ferris said that he has been involved with environmental issues and their impact. He was an environmental coordinator. His motivator was he wanted to get into town politics and this seemed as good of a time as any. Bob asked Joe if Article 15 was a motivator. Joe replied yes and no, and to be honest he wanted to get into the Town politics sooner but the scheduling just wasn't there.

John Newton said Article 15 was not a motivator for him. Previously he served on the Planning Board as an alternate but unfortunately had to resign because of business and schooling that was out of state. But now that he's back in town he is willing to serve again.

Sam Farrington has lived in town for about 15 years and has not been involved in any town business. He semi-retired three years ago, has a legal background that he thinks it will be beneficial to the Planning Board. He also added that Article 15 was not a motivator for him.

Rob Nadler has lived in Albany for 10 years. He never realized that there were vacancies on the Board. He's pleased to serve on the Board and concluded by saying that he was interested in Article 15 but it was not his sole motivator.

Steve Dexter has lived in town for 18 years. He said he's at a point in his life that he wants to get involved with the town because he feels it is important. He concluded by saying if we aren't aware of what Albany wants, we won't be able to do anything about it.

Jack said he thought it was fantastic that so many people came forward to serve. Bob added that it was a dream come true and thanked Steve for recruiting so many residents. Dan said it was great.

Steve Knox suggested that because Dan Sdankus' schedule has become very busy and only will get busier with the summer season approaching, that Jack Rose takes his place as the Selectmen's representative to the Planning Board. Jack has the experience as he has been involved with the Planning Board as chairman. Dan made a motion, Jack seconded the motion that Jack be the Selectmen's liaison to the Planning Board.

Richard Lake stated he would set a deadline for the Selectmen to move towards the process necessary to begin the easement project. He said he has put off purchasing equipment for other projects because he is waiting for this project to begin. Bob replied that there will be no deadlines and the Board will not take any threats from the Lakes. Bill said he has gone one month

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without any movement on this project and if it's not going to happen, he will lose out on other potential work.

Steve Knox asked the Board if this easement is going to be a town road, then will the driveway permit also be in the town's name? Dan said he thought that would be the process. Steve asked if town counsel will be involved to which Bob replied yes every step of the way. He went on to say that we will initiate the letter of intent, have Curtis Coleman, road agent and Peter Malia approve of it before giving it to Bill for mailing. Bob added that this matter will be tabled until Monday morning at 9 a.m. so that Curtis and Peter could attend and make comments.

At 6:00 p.m. Bob motioned to adjourn, Jack seconded and all were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

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