

Minutes

Albany NH Selectmen's Meeting

September 25, 2013

At 4:25 p.m., the Selectmen's meeting was called to order. In attendance were Jack Rose, Kelly Robitaille and Rob Nadler. Also present were Peter Carboni, Lee Grant and June Johnson. The following business was conducted.

Regular Business:

- Reviewed & approved September 18 minutes-Jack made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted, Kelly seconded the motion and all were in favor.
- Signed checks totaling \$4,526.93.
- Reviewed & approved two septic designs.
- Discussed town hall and parking lot lighting-Dave Dascoulias replaced parking lot lighting and added new lighting to the town hall driveway entrance. He suggested to Kathy the Selectmen should review all exterior lighting and replace the current lighting with LED hardware as it will be an energy savings to the town.
- Reviewed & approved MS-1 report.
- Reviewed MS-4 report.
- Reviewed town hall rental application and the request for fee exemption-the Albany VFW would like to use the hall at no cost to hold a Chinese auction on November 9. As the VFW is an Albany organization, Jack motioned to exempt the VFW from the hall rental fee, Rob seconded the motion and all were in favor.
- Reviewed the approved DOT copy of Municipal Work Zone Agreement.
- Reviewed public hearing notice from the Town of Conway regarding a solid waste ordinance-this has been forwarded to Colleen Cormack to attend as Albany's representative.
- Reviewed DOT letter to Profile Subaru regarding failed drainage and requirement to install a new drainage system.
- Town Administrator Report—see below

Peter Carboni:

Peter presented a building permit application submitted by Jim Goldman for an airplane hangar on Aviation Drive. Peter noted it complies with all the requirements and ordinances. Peter recommended its approval. Jack made a

motion to approve the building permit, Rob seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Peter was asked by the Forest Service for permission to use the town forest for their office picnic. Rob saw no problem with it as long as they cleaned up. Carry in and carry out. Jack asked where the picnic would be. Peter replied probably down by the water. All three Selectmen had no objection to allowing the Forest Service have their office picnic at the town forest.

Peter recommends when the ordinances are being amended that the Board looks into requiring a permit for restricted gun use. His neighbors are constantly target shooting into the late night hours and Peter feels this is potentially dangerous. Rob said it happens in his neighborhood also. Peter said he doesn't want to restrict hunters but maybe restrict the hours of target shooting. If a permit is required, he could inspect shooting ranges to ensure their safety. Rob would like to ask legal counsel about this so we are sure not to preempt state law. Jack agreed asking Kathy to research the law then get an opinion from town counsel.

Peter said Verizon Wireless has upgraded the entrance road to their cell tower on Route 16. Peter's concern was that an emergency vehicle could not make it to the tower if necessary because the road was in bad condition.

Town Administrator Report:

During the meeting with Ray Burton on Friday, September 13, Ray suggested the Selectmen write a letter to Senator Bradley regarding their opinion of the defeated gas tax bill. The increased tax would have supported the repair of deteriorating state roads including ones in Carroll County. Kathy drafted a letter and asked for editing suggestions. Jack submitted some changes. Rob suggested a copy of the letter be sent to Albany's state representatives as well. Rob added the tax rate has not been raised since 1991. Kathy will revise the letter for approval at next week's meeting.

Kathy drafted a letter of notice of opportunity to repurchase property for Edward Guppy. His property was taken by tax collector's deed on August 7. Kathy called Edward on August 13 and left a message regarding the deed. Edward called back saying he wanted to keep his property but would have difficulty coming up with the total amount due. Kathy suggested that Edward make a payment that he could afford and write a letter of intent to repurchase the property to the Selectmen by the end of that week. A payment nor a letter was received. On September 18, Kathy called Edward again and left a message saying if there is someone that assists him, maybe

they could call Kathy back to clear up this matter. There was no return call. On September 25, Kathy called Edward again. As she began to leave a message, she was cut short with a message saying Edward's voice mailbox was full.

With no response from Edward, Kathy feels it is time to start the formal process of notifying the owner of their right to repurchase. A copy of the letter has been forwarded to town counsel for review and approval.

A similar letter has been drafted for town counsel to review for property owned by David Emerson and Susan Bruce.

Miscellaneous:

Jack noted at last week's Planning Board meeting, it was suggested the combined boards meeting be moved to Monday, October 21 to suit Mike Helmer's schedule. Kathy said she will be at her Tax Collector's conference that day and would not be able to make it. Kelly thought the meeting date should be moved to October 28 so Kathy could attend. All Selectmen agreed. Jack asked Kathy to inform the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

Jack scheduled a meeting with Betsy McNaughton of Fish and Game at the abandoned DOT maintenance garage on the Kancamagus on Thursday October 3 at 1 p.m. to discuss the possibility of Albany sharing the usage of the premises with Fish and Game.

At 5:25 p.m., Jack made a motion to adjourn, Kelly seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathleen Vizard
Town Administrator