# **Minutes** Albany NH Selectmen's Meeting March 17, 2010

At 4:00 p.m., the Selectmen's meeting was called to order. In attendance were Jack Rose, Sara Young-Knox and Joe Ferris. Also present were June Johnson, Lee Grant, Richard VanDyne and Steve Knox. The following business was conducted.

#### **Regular Business**:

- Reviewed & approved March 10 minutes
- Signed MS-2 (Report of Appropriations Actually Voted)
- Signed checks
- Nominated Chairperson-Sara made a motion to nominate Jack as Chairman for the Selectboard, Joe seconded the motion and all were in favor. Jack accepted the nomintation.
- Nominate Planning Board Representative-Jack made a motion to nominate Joe Ferris as Selectmen representative to the Planning Board, Sara seconded the motion and all were in favor. Joe accepted the nomination.
- Nominate Land Governance Board Representative-Sara made a motion to nominate Jack as the Selectmen representative to the Land Governance Board, Joe seconded the nomination and all were in favor. Jack accepted the nomination.
- Reviewed & approved one building permit
- Reviewed & signed Paul King perambulation proposal
- Reviewed & approved License to Sell Pistols and Revolvers-based upon Planning Board's approval of site plan review
- Reviewed NHDES wetlands and non-site specific permit
- Reviewed report of settlement meeting and order—William Dee did not accept the proposal of the assessors
- Reviewed Tamworth Planning Board Public Notice
- Reviewed CDFA Memorandum
- Reviewed letters from Time Warner Cable

#### Miscellaneous:

While Sara was looking over the CDFA memorandum regarding available grants, she noted that grants like those would be obtainable by a community such as Golden Oaks in order to repair septic systems. Steve Knox added that he thought Albany has been amiss on applying for and receiving grants. Sara thought that by the Selectboard working closely with the Planning Board, could look at the town together and when writing grants would have more information which would greaten the chances for receiving the grants.

Steve said that the Scenic Byway grant deadline is April 1<sup>st,</sup> the purchase of the Kennett Property. He added that the Trust for Public Land (TPL) will be writing the grant, Selectmen will review and amend if they please before submission. Gregg Caporrossi (TPL) told Steve there is a new program that he thought could be perfect and the potential for \$500,000. As it is a new program, Gregg feels that there could be more flexibility as far as restrictions on the land.

Steve concluded by telling the Board that as Chairman of the Planning Board, he would like to work more closely with the Selectmen to identify and resolve issues in and around town.

Sara suggested the Board of Selectmen tour the town a portion at a time. Jack suggested they start with Passaconaway Road and the Johnson Development. The Board will meet at town hall on Wednesday, March 31 at 3:45 and proceed to Sara's house on Passaconaway Road to begin the tour.

The AA reported that she had spoken to Linda Gray of the NH Charitable Foundation this week. Linda said she has all the Albany paperwork in order for the Board of Directors meeting on March 25 and thought that if the Board took her recommendations, Albany could receive their funds sometime at the end of April. Jack said he thought this was perfect timing for the Chapel repairs.

#### Josephine Belleville (DRA) Malcolm & Jason Call (Northtown Associates):

JoJo began by saying every five years the Department of Revenue reviews town assessing practices. JoJo then reviewed the guidelines with the Board. Jason told the Board he still had some properties to visit as part of the four year cyclical. This was done purposely so that his values will be current with the present market as he will be updating the town's data this year. He went on to say that the pitfall is that people resist having the assessors on their property every four years.

JoJo informed the Board of this years' update. Basically, she said it is bringing values up to market value. The law states this will be done every five years in addition to adjusting assessing tables in the computer. She added that the state may also visit a site to follow up on assessor's data. Jason then discussed the update process.

### Miscellaneous:

Dick VanDyne told the Board he had served on a conservation committee in Peterboro years ago. He said if the state insists that Albany create a conservation committee, he would be willing to serve on it. Jack thanked Dick.

## NonPublic Session:

At 5:20 p.m. Jack made a motion to move into nonpublic session citing RSA 91-A:3 II (i). Joe seconded the motion and all were in favor.

At 5:27 p.m., Sara motioned to move into public session, seconded by Jack and all were in favor.

At 5:28 p.m. it was determined that the minutes shall not be publicly disclosed. Jack motioned to seal the minutes, to not publicly disclose the minutes because it is determined that divulgence of the information will likely affect adversely the reputation of any person other than a member of the Board. Sara seconded the motion and all were in favor.

## Goals:

Sara stated she would like to start a list of goals for the Selectmen. The AA suggested to prioritize the list and work on one at a time to ensure their success. A few things to start the list are, a town hall rental agreement, job descriptions, meet with Rick Treiss from Department of Environmental Services, deal with dilapidated buildings throughout town and work toward amending zoning ordinances concerning camping trailers on lots.

At 5:40 p.m., Sara Young-Knox made a motion to adjourn, Jack seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathleen Vizard Administrative Assistant