

Monday, February 27, 2023

Board of Selectmen Minutes

In attendance: Steve Smith (Chair), Derek Tremblay (Selectmen), Melissa Salinardi, Shae Simino, Chief Ed Andersen

CALL TO ORDER

Steve Smith called the meeting to order at 6:34pm.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

One change was submitted by Dianne Craig and some typos were suggested by Steve Smith.

Steve Smith motioned to accept the minutes of February 13, 2023 'as amended'. Derek Tremblay seconded the motion. All were in favor-yes; motion carried (2-0).

APPOINTMENTS

Shae Simino (Road Agent)

- Ball Park Bridge: Shae mentioned that he has begun getting quotes for the bridge reconstruction permits and plans, and asked the Board if he needed to obtain three bids for the project. He mentioned that one particular contractor gave a quote with an estimation of materials included. Both Steve Smith and Derek Tremblay agreed that Shae needed to obtain at least three different quotes. Derek Tremblay added that if Shae could find contractors who would include all-inclusive estimates, then the amount of bids he has to obtain might be lowered.
- **Transfer Station Report:** Shae mentioned that he has finalized the permit report and will get the document ready for the Chair to sign within the next few days.
- Road Complaint-Update: Shae mentioned that he spoke with resident, Ray Porter, in regards to his emailed complaint. He assured Mr. Porter that the original intent and reason for the excess sanding was to sand over the icy sections of the roads that he thought needed extra attention. The Board had no additional questions or concerns.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

• **Property Issue - Update:** The Board received an email correspondence from Kirsten Hershey regarding her property concerns with her neighbor Mark Stadtmiller. The below report made by Chief Andersen was in response to her additional correspondence and concerns. Ms. Hershey contacted the Selectmen's office and it was suggested by Melissa Salinardi that she attend the March 13th meeting so that all parties can submit their reports.

Chief Andersen provided the Board with an update on the property issue between Kirsten Hershey and Mark Stadtmiller. He mentioned that he read through RSAs to determine the correct charge against Mr. Stadtmiller. He submitted a criminal trespass and unlawful activity

charge against Mr. Stadtmiller to the judge at the Sullivan County Court and has been waiting for a response from the County. He remarked that originally, when he and Code Enforcer, Bruce Nadeau went out to inspect the property, the camper that guests were living in was located on both pieces of property and he had the camper moved unto Mark's property right away. He has since walked the property with Ms. Hershey's attorney and has continued to monitor the situation.

Derek Tremblay asked what the Town's part was in this situation. Chief Andersen replied by saying that he is hoping to have more information by the March 13th Board of Selectmen meeting, but at this time, there is nothing to do but wait for the County Courts to respond. He also mentioned that the situation is a bit more complicated as Mr. Stadtmiller has been paying taxes on the camper and in his report he mentioned that he had to include all positive facts for both parties.

Derek Tremblay asked how the town would have known if the camper was on the wrong property. Steve Smith mentioned that in the eyes of the town we knew Mr. Stadtmiller had property but what was unknown was the property lines. Chief Andersen mentioned that property lines are generally known by the owner by observing the pins on their own land and not necessarily checked by assessing companies unless a subdivision or other lot adjustment was made.

Chief Andersen also mentioned that grey water is being dispersed illegally onto Ms. Hershey's property. He added that Bruce Nadeau is aware of the situation but was unsure if the Town could address this concern. Steve Smith stated that he feels bad for the homeowner but was unsure of what else the Selectmen could do. Chief Andersen stated that if the judge answers him with a no then he feels that he did everything that he could possibly do. He added that one of the other issues is that the mailbox is being used by Mr. Stadtmiller and he remarked that Mark has the right to be on his property and the driveway but the other concerns by Ms. Hershey will need to be addressed. He assured the Board that he has not been idle with the case and has continued to move forward. Derek Tremblay stated that he would like to hear what Bruce Nadeau has to say as well. Melissa Salinardi mentioned that she had asked Bruce and Chief Andersen if they could attend the March 13th meeting to bring an update to the Board.

- Part-time Police Officer: Chief Andersen mentioned that he may have found another part-time police officer. Mike Heanult may be interested and Chief Andersen believes he would be a good fit. Derek Tremblay asked if Chief Andersen had the funds in his budget and Chief Andersen answered, "yes."
- Steve Smith asked if Chief Andersen ever received a grant for a new sign. Chief Andersen replied that he did not due to a mix up with the state funding. He added that repairing the old may cost too much to fix. Steve Smith also mentioned the new police cruiser that is in the upcoming warrant. He mentioned that the police department has gotten quite a bit of use out of the vehicle. Chief Andersen added that they have had the vehicle for eleven years which is more than expected. The Board had no more guestions or concerns.

NEW BUSINESS

None

COMMUNICATIONS

Administrative Assistant

- Sale of Town Owned Property: No new updates.
- Change in Land Use: Melissa Salinardi updated the Board that the paperwork has been sent to Mr. Grant.
- Office Rug: Melissa reminded the Board about the rug that was donated by Alan Greenhalgh several years ago to be used in the Town offices. She mentioned that she will be start looking into getting quotes on changing the rugs in the Selectmen's Office. The Board had no concerns and suggested moving forward.
- Town Report: Melissa stated that the Town Report is almost ready and will be sent to the printer within the wee. She asked Steve Smith if he was still willing to pick up the Town Report from the printer when it was ready. He said, yes, Melissa will keep him updated and let him know when it is ready.
- Warrant: Melissa informed the Board that the 2023 warrant has been posted. The Board had no questions or concerns.

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None

OLD BUSINESS

Town Property Rental Form: The Board reviewed the town property rental agreement that was revised by Steve Smith. Derek Tremblay made a few minor suggestions and suggested simplifying the document to include only Gunnison Lake and the Town Hall. It was mentioned that a security deposit should still be included and that no alcohol was permitted in these locations, however, Steve Smith mentioned that he believed there was a waiver that residents could obtain from the Selectboard for the use of alcohol.

Derek Tremblay motioned to accept the town rental agreement 'as revised'. Steve Smith seconded the motion. All were in favor-yes; motion carried (2-0).

Handbook: No new discussion.

Steve Smith motioned to table the discussion of the handbook until all members could be present. Derek Tremblay seconded the motion. All were in favor-yes; motion carried (2-0).

STANDING ITEMS

The Board reviewed and revised the standing items list below.

Pre-Construction Meeting (Lempster Coach Bridge)
UVLSRPC
Grange Update
Mt Sunapee Advisory Commission Update
Library Grant Update
Monthly Budget Review
Veterans Monument Repair
Flag Poles at Cemetery

Planning Board Update Other Items

Derek Tremblay motioned to remove Pre-construction Meeting (Lempster Coach Bridge), UVLSRPC, Grange update, Mt. Sunapee Advisory Commission update, and the Library Grant Update from the standing items list. Steve Smith seconded the motion. All were in favor-yes; motion carried (2-0).

Derek Tremblay motioned to adjourn. Steve Smith seconded the motion. All were in favor-yes; motion carried (2-0).

The meeting adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen is scheduled March 13, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Melissa Salinardi