

TOWN OF LISBON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES

April 20, 2015

SELECTMEN PRESENT: Stephen Knox (SK), Thomas Demers (TD)
SELECTMEN'S OFFICE: Suze Tavernier (ST)

SK opened meeting

PUBLIC: Nina Toutant (NT) of Kathy Rae Drive, gave a copy of letter Jim Passman had submitted to paper regarding the ZBA. She stated she had concerns about the ZBA, they didn't represent the public, 99% of people against. The ZBA were unprofessional, condescending, aggressive behavior and were an embarrassment to the Town of Lisbon, I don't know who address this, but very unprofessional

SK ZBA appointed by Selectmen. Your concerns have been voice and will be in the public minutes. I did read newspaper, I would be happy to pass on your concerns to ZBA. Don't know what Selectboard can do, can pass on concerns.

NT-I understand there is a hold on applicants for Boards

SK Not a hold on receiving applications, we have a hold on appointing, feel free to apply. When appropriate we will be appointing, but with current situation concerns about liability, but when time is right we will pursue appointments.

NT- Is there a hold on rewriting the ordinance s

SK All amendments to Town Ordinances are voted on at Town Meeting. There may be work done, but changes only take affect after voted on at Town Meeting. Voters can present a petition warrant for change as well. Zoning Board meeting which are public, to try to construct amendments that make more clear what the intent . Planning Board will also be working on it, we all need to come together on this and you are welcome to attend, bring your ideas.

Ron Lippard(RL)-Missing Board member from meeting was not around. I found out who that member was, I protest, he had no problems showing up on the Streeter Pond situation. The situation is the Board; the people have no right of review. In Florida, there is a right to review.

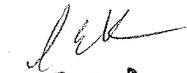
SK I am confused, is this about ordnances or Board members?

RL-The Board are interpreting, what's going on is not unbiased, they shut them out at the meeting, we need a right of review

Ina Lippard (IL) They said they would not let them have any say. Jan Marshall presented state regualtions showing RSA supposed to let us have last say. We were steamed rolled. The Lawyer at 2nd hearing was rude, dismissive and aggressive at the point of not following state recommendations

SK Which hearing?

IL We were shut out completely at third hearing, not representative of the Town Government


T.D.

Anne Salter (AS) I totally 2nd what Nina said. In terms of the last asphalt hearing, she said what I would have said, I agree with what she said

Joe Avery-represent land owner on Quimby Road. Stated the Board had requested something be added to deed, but that's not the way State of NH does it. This would be filed with book and page but not in actual deed. Releases Town of liability for maintenance, emergency vehicle, and school bus pick up. Land owner is responsible.

SK Town cannot and will not maintain class six roads

Avery-Road Agent needs to sign

SK Road Agent has no authority to sign it is the Board of Selectmen. We will pass this on to Town Counsel, he is more aware of the RSA and town's liability. We want people to build, but need to protect the Town from liability. This is required before a building permit is issued.

SK Will forward on to Town Counsel

Steve Colby- There was damage done to the corner stones and now the Town owns, I would like them repaired. I don't know idea what the cost. I would guess around 100.00-200.00 each I have lost two, still have two.

SK We should have the Sexton go up and look at damage

SC- Probably not a good idea, that's my son

SK Oh I wondered about the last name. Where can we get an idea of the cost:

SC Littleton Monument could probably give you an estimate. I have told the Police, they went up and took pictures. The Trustee used to carry insurance

SK Need to check on that, and get estimate on replacement

Ina Lippard-Might want to tell police there was a white beater car with a dark hood spending time around in the fall

SC I will have police contact you

Jan Marshall (JM)—I have a few comments on the ZBA on the handling from my perspective. The conduct from the meeting was inappropriate. What the law requires, state requirements or procedure this ZBA default to states guidelines according to Jenny. I would like to present to you this package, the minutes, which are extensive and a complaint about Scott Champagne. In terms of damage, my concerns of safety the rights and value of property owner. I have stopped investing in Lisbon in 2005, don't feel is a safe investment The newest investment has been stopped, they planned on building a new home, that would overlooking the plant, they are afraid to invest in Lisbon. I don't believe the ZBA understands what it's role is. I spoke with the Chair who stated they try to pass everyone. I have been before ZBA in 5 cities and what I have seen is night and day. I will leave with you these concerns, in the minutes of the meeting. A quick resolve in order to have public confidence

SK The ZBA is appointed, don't have power, jurisdictions over ZBA, we can have conversation with them

JM Where are we on the empty spots on the ZBA?

SK We have tabled until we get through this asphalt issue, we cannot put new members on in the middle

AS-Selectmen Hearing?

SK Asphalt hearing, we intend to fill, we are taking applications and will fill when it's appropriate

JM This rural area is key to Lisbon's future, the economy is coming back, people are looking for areas to retire but until they need to be confident. These homes would create a higher tax income; I think that something the Selectmen need to look at seriously

SK Not discounting, growth in Lisbon has been surpassed by all the surrounding areas. Maybe it's a good thing to keep rural in nature, not sure. One thing we all recognize is for the potential growth, we need to modify regulations, bring to Town meeting, you and anyone else that has suggestions. The regulations were adopted in 1972 and need to be updated.

JM PARC has filed appeal and plan to continue, hopefully will not be too expensive to the Town

SK We understand there is a challenge in court, everyone here has that right RL-Member of PARC looking into whistle stop as a museum. Spoke with Representative on Saturday, they are looking for owner information and would like to get into a three year lease. That is what we need traditional attractions. May the town could give a tax break or something

IL This kind of the thing would be heading us in the right direction of where we need to go.

TAX COLLECTOR: Jennifer Trelfa-Tax payer had request to not have lien placed on property. JT had spoken with property owner who requested to set up a payment plan and not have lien put on property. This person also called the DRA and asked how to stop the lien process

SK I'm ok with payment plan, but not going over your head in terms of the lien

TD I hate to be hard but

JT The letter goes out next week and they still have 30 days before lien is put on property.

TD I think we open a can of worms, would rather not set precedence

SK I am not a fan of overstepping, we need to do what our standard business practice is

TD I agree, we need to follow procedure

SK You have your answer, continue with lien.

Board asked for letter to be drawn up to send to taxpayer

JT Sorry I missed Department Head meeting, in regards to water bills, how are we going to come up with list of those asked to keep water running

SK KC told me anyone who was asked to run water was put on a master list.

JT Ok we will use that list

JT talked you about deeding processing; here is a hand out from NHMA regarding the process

SK Regarding the Website, can you update Selectmen's Meeting times?

JT Will do

JT Conservation Commission wanted to set up a link for the Commission to add more information to the site. And I have concerns as to who is going to keep an eye on what goes up, on the content

SK I guess we need to have a conversation with Roselind and find out more.

While we are on this conversation can you add a link to contact town offices?

JT I will check

PUBLIC: Cindy Lapete 349 School Street Her husband had been asked by KC to remove truck due to road ban. The truck arrives on Friday and leaves Sundays. Is there any way my husband can have truck up there this weekend to work on?

SK Where is it now?

CL On road, won't be back until Thursday

SK The concern is with the frost coming out of ground, and heavy truck damage

CL He tried to talk to KC but he told him he needs to find somewhere else to park

SK I understand, but one truck can cause damage and I defer to KC

CL The truck needs oil change

TD The only time you can drive on road with road ban if temperature is 25 degrees of below. I am in the same boat, I live on a posted road

SK I don't want to circumvent KC. I know that's not what you were hoping to hear

SELECTMEN'S BUSINESS:

Board signed: gravel tax, AP and Payroll Manifests, premanifest,

SK made motion to accept new building permit TD 2nd so voted

SK made motion to accept public minutes as amended TD 2nd so voted all

SK made motion to accept non public minutes TD 2nd so voted all

Board reviewed DES Grant- Requested letter be drafted for next meeting regarding grant

SK Would like it noted not happy with account being overdrawn, understand in transition.

ST I have no access to Passumpsic,

TD Is that what the Peter and Carmen email was in reference too

SK We also have additional account that are not funded yet

ST I have no access to what is in that account I can tell you what the fund balance shows for cash account but I don't know which bank has what

SK That needs to be address, you need access

TD I agree

SK What is Greg's responsibility; have him come to next Selectmen's meeting.

We need to know what he is responsible for, what he does, and his duties

SK I received email from Anthony from Paychex, he is still waiting for retirement data.

Board requested Barry Liveston be contacted and ask for assistance with this data request

SK The Chandler noise complaint, where are we on that?

ST I passed on to Stan

SK Can you have Stan email the Board

TD I have a DOT state shed number to call regarding the Lisbon's State Shed

SK We need to find out if the closing is true, then what if anything the Town could do to procure the land. Maybe call State Representative.

TD Regarding replacement of Carver as emergency director, he is still listed on state web

SK made motion to enter **NON-PUBLIC: (RSA 91:a3III)** regarding personnel and Buffington Fund TD 2nd

PUBLIC: SK made motion to adjourn TD 2nd so voted all