

TOWN OF LISBON, NEW HAMPSHIRE INCORPORATED 1763 Board of Selectmen's Meeting Monday October 26, 2020 6:30pm Lisbon Railroad Station

PRESENT: Scott Champagne, Selectman; Arthur Boutin, Selectman; Brian Higgins, Selectman; Krystle Dow, Administrative Assistant; Audrey Champagne, Town Clerk/Tax Collector

PUBLIC: Maria Thouin, Olivia Dow

Approval of minutes from October 26th BOS meeting: Brian Higgins made a motion to approve the October 28th BOS meeting minutes and Arthur Boutin seconded the motion. All were in favor of the motion.

Maria Thouin: Maria came before the board about a rat problem at her property. She told the board it is from the abandon house that the town has been telling her they were taking down for over a year now. She stated that the rats ate through wires to her stove and they chewed a hole through some insulation they have as well. Scott Champagne asked how the rats were getting in and Mrs. Thouin stated she did not know as their basement is spray foamed and everything is boarded up. She stated that the town is responsible for all the damage that has been done to her property and asked the board what they were going to do about it. Scott Champagne stated that they could have Chris Hodge (Building Inspector) go and set out rat bait to help with that. The next issue Mrs. Thouin talked about was speeding. She told the board they have done nothing about this issue. The board stated they did contact the police department way back when she

first came and made them aware. Scott Champagne stated yes, they did address the issue and he asked Mrs. Thouin if there was a speed sign placed on her street and Mrs. Thouin responded with that sign is useless. Scott Champagne then asked her what she would like the board to do. He asked her if the board had authority to go out and stop cars. Mrs. Thouin stated that if one or two cars were stopped for speeding and issued a hefty fine it would slow people down. Scott stated that the only thing they can do again is to let the police department know and ask them to sit there and run radar. She asked if the board was really going to address the issue and Scott Champagne stated that he did last time and he will again. Maria said she hoped so. The last issue she wanted to bring up was drainage. She stated that when it rains it is like a river and sometimes floods on her property, so she was wondering if there was a way to divert the water. Scott Champagne, Arthur Boutin and Brian Higgins all stated that they would talk to Charlie Hampson (Highway Supervisor) and let him know and have him look. Arthur Boutin made a motion to allow Chris Hodge (Health Inspector) set out rat bait at 124 School Street to help with the rat problem Mrs. Thouin is referencing. Scott Champagne seconded the motion. All were in favor of the motion.

1100 Presby Road: The town took 1100 Presby Road due to a tax deed. The town in return sold this piece of property. We reached out to the Town's Attorney to have them write up a Quit Claim Deed an in the process we learned that DHHS (Department of Health and Human Services) had a lien on the property and the town was unaware. For this to have a clear title and get the deed to the new owners DHHS is looking to settle with the town. The Towns attorney stated that DHHS is willing to waive the notice issue if the town splits the proceeds from the sale with them. This means the town would keep \$4500.00 and send \$4500.00 to DHHS. Scott Champagne stated that if the town is not willing to settle then DHHS can come after the town to recover all the proceeds or reverse the sale. Brian Higgins (Selectman) asked if the \$4500.00 is more that what is owed to DHHS or less. Scott Champagne stated he did not know the answer to that question but was more than happy to get it. The board had a discussion on this, and Scott Champagne made a motion to settle and give have of the sales to DHHS equaling no more than \$4500.00 and Arthur Boutin seconded the motion. All were in favor of the motion.

<u>Revised Contract with KRT – DRA</u> (Department of Revenue Administration) had two recommendations for KRT in which KRT reviewed and made the necessary changes to their contract. The board reviewed the

contract with the necessary recommendations and Scott Champagne made a motion to approve the revised contract and Arthur Boutin seconded the motion. All were in favor of the motion.

<u>Final Read-</u> There is a final read for 169 Highland Avenue. Water in the amount of \$53.33 and Sewer in the amount of \$64.00 for a total final bill of \$117.33. Scott Champagne made a motion to approve and Brian Higgins seconded the motion. All were in favor of the motion.

Profile Regional Cable Television: A bill in the amount of \$192.00 came to the Town of Lisbon on regards to Profile Regional Cable Television. The bill is for 2019-2020. The board was a little unsure of what this bill was regarding as we have not seen one. The board thought the bill should be paid and Scott Champagne stated that he would investigate it and see if he can get an answer as what exactly it is for.

Town Clerk/Tax Collector- Property - There are some properties that still need to be addressed as deed day is Wednesday October 28, 2020. The board went through the list and the first is Map and Lot U07 L054. Scott Champagne stated this is just property and the Town Clerk/Tax Collector has heard nothing and he tried several different numbers all of which were disconnected. Arthur Boutin made a motion to deed the property and Scot Champagne seconded the motion. All were in favor of the motion. The next property they reviewed was U04 L39. There was a letter attached to all the documentation about the homeowner waiting for a settlement. Scott Champagne made a motion to deed this property and Brian Higgins seconded the motion. All were in favor of the motion. The next is U04 L48. Arthur Boutin made a motion to deed this property and Scott Champagne seconded the motion. All were in favor of the motion. The next is U02 L71. Arthur Boutin made a motion to deed this property and Scott Champagne seconded the motion. All were in favor of the motion. The next property is U07 L46. Scott Champagne made a motion to deed this property and Brian Higgins seconded the motion. All were in favor of the motion. The board then discussed U05 L50. Scott Champagne made the motion to sign a deed waiver and Arthur Boutin seconded the motion. All were in favor of the motion. The last two properties that the board discussed were U03 L73 and U03 L72. The owner of these properties called and spoke with Audrey Champagne (Town Clerk/ Tax Collector) and stated that she was going to be overnighting a bank check for these two properties. The board stated that was fine but if the check does not arrive on time the town will deed these two properties. Scott Champagne made a

motion to deed the property if the check does not arrive on time and Arthur Boutin seconded the motion. All were in favor of the motion.

<u>Transfer Station Budget:</u> The board discussed the Transfer Station budget and discussed that they need to make some changes to his budget and then it will need to be sent out to Lyman and Landaff for their budgeting purposes.

Updates: Scott Champagne stated that the well testing has gone great so far. The location of the potential sight is in a great spot.

The board also discussed setting up a meeting with Lyman and Landaff boards to discuss a potential warrant article for the fixing of the Transfer Station Road (Ecology Drive). Krystle Dow (Administrative Assistant) will reach out to the Lyman and Landaff boards and see what dates work best for the either November 9th or November 23.

The town received the Goferr grant money. The board then discussed giving all full-time employees hazard pay for working through the pandemic.

Scott Champagne also discussed with the board a misting machine for sanitizing the town hall and the railroad station. He also discussed possibly purchasing a few air purifiers with filters for the town hall. He asked the other board members their thoughts and then said to think about these things as some of the Goferr monies can be used on these things.

7:48 PM Scott Champagne made a motion to go into nonpublic to discuss personnel matters. Arthur Boutin seconded the motion. All were in favor of the motion.

7:59 PM The board came out of nonpublic where personnel matters regarding hazard stipends were discussed.

8:07 PM Brian Higgins made a motion to adjourn and Arthur Boutin seconded the motion. All were in favor of the motion.

NEXT BOS MEETING: November 9, 2020 @ 6:30 pm at the Lisbon Railroad Station located at 25 Central Street.

Respectfully submitted by Krystle Dow

Board of Selectmen:

Chairman Scott Champagne

Selectmen

Arthur Boutin

Selectmen

Brian Higgins

Approved / Not Approved on 11/9/2020