## TOWN OF LISBON, NEW HAMPSHIRE

## SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES 05/12/14

SELECTMEN PRESENT: Conrad Farnham (CF), Donald Butson (DB), and

Stephen Knox (SK)

SELECTMEN'S OFFICE: Gregory Colby (GC) Suzanne Tavernier

SK made motion to open meeting DB 2<sup>nd</sup> so voted all

**PUBLIC:** Mark Evans who is running for State Senate came in to speak to the Board and introduce himself. He wants to get to know each of the Town's in the District he is running for.

DB- Asked about his background

He explained he was on City Counsel in Berlin, has been on Planning Board and a small business owner.

SK-Asked about his platform

Evans explained he believes in local control and has a strong belief in the Constitution and should follow it.

## **SELECTMEN'S BUSINESS:** Mitchell Municipal Group, P.A.

Walter Mitchell, Judith Whitelaw, Laura Spector-Morgan and Steven Whitley met with the Board.

Walter explained that Greg had contacted his office in regards to switching Town Counsel. He explained he prefers the initial meeting with Town includes all the associates. He explained the firm only deals with municipalities.

GC- Inquired as to where the firm would start, should the Town turn over current issues or finish up with other firm.

WM- Explained it is usually recommends to stay with current firm to completion, but it depends on if there is enough confidence in the current firm.

He asked what the Town currently had pending.

ST&GC Spoke on the issues the Town is currently involved in.

SK-Spoke on the Clough Property Line adjustment

The Board of Selectmen signed an agreement with Mitchell Municipal and thanked the group for coming in.

The Board of Selectmen signed timber & gravel warrants and manifests

**PUBLIC:** Bryson Yawger –Lisbon Main Street Inc. came in to speak to the Board in regard replacing the fencing at Chevron Park. He showed the Board his plans for the fencing, and stated that Lisbon Main Street would be covering the cost.

DB- Asked if he had an estimate on cost

BY-Said estimate would be around \$154.36 for materials, and that Main Street will be covering it. He asked if the Board would authorize Main Street to do the replacement of the fencing.

SK-Made a motion to authorize Main Street Inc. to build fencing at Chevron Park DB 2<sup>nd</sup> so voted

**SELECTMEN'S BUSINESS:** The Board reviewed a letter of complaint in regards to debris from Grove Hill spilling over into an abutter's property.

GC- Spoke to the Board on several issues:

He requested the Board make a formal vote on the new hire for the Police Department.

DB made a motion to hire Justin Combs; CF 2<sup>nd</sup> so voted all

In regard to the Welfare Officer, GC asked for a formal vote on appointing Scott McKinley as of July 1<sup>st</sup>

SK made motion to appoint McKinley as Welfare Officer DB 2<sup>nd</sup> so voted all

The Board was asked if the Town wanted to continue to have Robert Clark mow the front lawn of Town owned property on Water Street

DB made motion to continue to have RC mow lawn; SK 2<sup>nd</sup> so voted all

Colby spoke to the Board about Capital Improvement Plan, which falls under the Planning Board. The Board will need to bring it to Town meeting as per RSA 674:4 and 674:5 which authorizes the Planning Board to create a Capital Improvement Plan by vote of the legislative body. He said between now and Town Meeting he will work on duties and by laws.

GC-informed the Board he had received a proposal from Woodsville Guaranty. The Board asked if the Town had heard back from Union Bank yet. They were told not yet, but had not reached the 30 day deadline set by the Board

**NON-PUBLIC**: Personnel (**RSA 91:a3, 11**) DB made motion to enter non-public CF 2<sup>nd</sup> so voted all

**SELECTMEN'S BUSINESS:** Board reviewed a letter regarding the Lucas Property on South Main Street. The Board requested the letter be shared with Building Inspector for his input.

DB- Suggested after getting input from Building Inspector, the Board would impose a deadline for completion

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:** Jennifer Trelfa spoke to the Board about a question a taxpayer had on 2013 water bill. She explained that the Highway Crew had done a 2<sup>nd</sup> read to make sure there was no issue with meter and it appeared to be fine. The Board stated at this time they were not willing to abate, but if the tax payer wanted to put request in writing the Board would review.

**SELECTMEN'S BUSINESS:** DB made a motion to accept all minutes as written: CF 2<sup>nd</sup> so voted

## **PREVIOUS BUSINESS:**

The Board inquired if the Town had heard back from the Upstage Players regarding the clean-up.

DB- Suggested another letter be sent with new invoice explaining the upcoming deadline of June 1<sup>st</sup>

CF-Explained, this situation has been going on for almost a year.

SK-Asked how long it would take for the Town to clean it up.

CF-Stated it would not take too long if we get a dumpster and just throw everything out.

The Board asked for a letter to be drafted reinstating the deadline and the cost associated with clean-up will be invoiced to the Upstage Players.

The Board reviewed information received from the DRA regarding the Shared Ministries exempt status. The Board requested a letter be drafted explaining the Board's position and the requirements of at least two services a year being placed on the Church, moving forward to maintain exemptions.

DB- Felt a the letter should be addressed to Rev. Winter, Robert Meserve and Tom White or at least copies sent to all.

SK- Stated that the Town needed to keep John Trumbull in the loop as well on the Board's decision.

The Board will act on the Church exemption next week

The Board spoke about the Roof on the Waste Water Building. CF has looked at it and will get a material list and cost.

CF-Stated he has not been able to get a hold of the person from Bonnd Roofing, the Board asked for a letter to be written for CF to drop off

The Board spoke briefly about damaged shade in hall. Board was told shades are in rough shape and the shade that was damaged already had issues. GC-Told the Board there is money in Town Hall improvements if the Board wants to look into replacing any of the shades

DB made a motion to adjourn SK 2<sup>nd</sup> so voted all