

## Selectmen's Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, May 17, 2005

**Present: Selectman Kardaseski and Bowles. Selectman Maxfield was not present.  
Also present: Road Agent David Rice and Fire Chief Jeff Burr.**

Chairman Kardaseski called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

- I. Selectman Bowles moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, May 10, 2005 as presented. Seconded by Chairman Kardaseski. All in favor. Motion carried.
- II. The Board met with Road Agent David Rice.
  - a. Mr. Rice stated the tentative date to start the grinding on School Street is June 13. He stated the westbound side is almost completely limbed and half of the eastbound side is done. All that is left is the under drain and the culverts to check or change if needed. Discussion ensued regarding the possibility of paving the portion of Hot Hole Pond Road that is in Loudon, as well as change the end of Hot Hole Pond Road so it comes to a "T" with a stop sign. The Board agreed.
  - b. The Board advised Mr. Rice that Mr. Martin has signed the agreement with the Town regarding the signage on Clough Pond Road. Mr. Rice stated he had discussed this with Office Manager Jean Lee and Mrs. Lee has ordered the handicapped signs. Discussion ensued regarding the placement of the signs as well as the placement of the speed bump. Mr. Rice discussed "speed humps" which are utilized down south. The Selectmen agreed Mr. Rice should look into this for when Clough Pond Road is paved next year. Mr. Rice discussed an inverted speed bump from where the original speed bump is placed to the side of the road and into the parking lot. Currently, people drive around the speed bump, which defeats its purpose.
  - c. Selectman Bowles discussed the water issue on Flagg Road and Old Shaker Road. Mr. Rice will try to get the grader over to address that issue as soon as possible. Discussion ensued regarding the town's grader still being down and Greg Fillmore allowing the Town to utilize his grader until the Town's can be fixed. The Board thanked Mr. Fillmore for his generosity.
  - d. Discussion ensued regarding Wheelabrator and the scheduled shutdown. Mr. Rice stated the shutdown does not hinder the hauling of the trash to the incinerator, it's just that the hauler may have to wait in line for a little while.

- III. The Board met with Fire Chief Jeff Burr.
- a. Chairman Kardaseski stated she and Chief Burr had met with a representative of Reiss Construction, who did the work on the roof at the Safety Complex and a former representative of MMRT, who did the insulation. She went on to say after discussion and finger-pointing, it was suggested a structural engineer come out and assess the roof. Chief Burr contacted NHMA-PLIT to get a recommendation on who could come look at the roof. NHMA advised Chief Burr the Town should file a claim and NHMA will send someone out to look at the roof. Chairman Kardaseski stated the claim has been submitted and they are just waiting for the structural engineer to come out and review the roof.
  - b. Chief Burr discussed air packs. He stated he has found a deal where the Fire Department can get more air packs for less money than thought. Chairman Kardaseski stated the money for this purchase was approved at Town Meeting. Chairman Kardaseski moved to approve the quotation from Fire Tech and Safety for the Scott Air Packs and miscellaneous items in the amount of \$98,789.00. Seconded by Selectman Bowles. Chairman Kardaseski stated the legislative body approved \$105,000.00 for this purchase. All in favor. Motion carried.
  - c. Chief Burr stated he had spoken with Joe Bohi regarding the dry hydrant on Bee Hole Road. Fish and Game had been contacted regarding the pond and they will not assist Mr. Bohi with the dry hydrant issues. Mr. Bohi has contacted an engineer and he is trying to set up a different system in that area for the dry hydrant.
  - d. Chairman Kardaseski asked if Mr. Bohi had done anything about the topcoat on Bee Hole Road. Selectman Bowles stated he had seen Pike going that way today. Discussion ensued regarding which portion of Bee Hole Road has been accepted by the Town as well as the status of a maintenance bond.
- IV. The Board met with Ned Lizotte and Clem Lyon of the Village Plan Committee to discuss the parking plans they had formulated for the Recreation Field. Mr. Lizotte and Mr. Lyon stated they had walked the Recreation area and designed some plans. A portion of the plan involves moving the skateboard park to a different location. A second phase involves placing additional parking behind the current recreation field. Phase 1 would add approximately 40 parking spaces. They also propose changing the current parallel parking along Recreation Drive to angle parking. Tom McCue discussed the use of the recreation area for anything other than recreational purposes due to the federal funding. Chairman Kardaseski advised Mr. Lizotte and Mr. Lyon that Selectman Maxfield has measured the area between the current town office parking area and the skate board park and has a plan that would add 21 parking spaces. She said the Selectmen are seriously looking at adding these spaces this year. Chairman Kardaseski commended Mr. Lizotte and Mr. Lyon for the work they have done on this project.

- V. Chairman Kardaseski advised those present, during the Board of Permit meeting on May 10, a discussion took place on the Colby properties on Route 129. She said that during the March ZBA meeting a motion was made to change these properties from the C/I district to the Village district. She stated she had contacted town counsel regarding this issue. Attorney Mayer has stated a Zoning Board cannot change a district an existing property is in. The only way this can be changed is through Town Meeting and a zoning amendment on the ballot. She said the only way the Zoning Board can change a district a piece of property is in, is if it is a gray area and the district is not clear. She said the town maps clearly show those properties in the C/I district, but they are taxed at a residential use in the C/I district, as are other residences within the C/I district. Tom McCue questioned whether Attorney Mayer had stated that the tax maps or the zoning maps were the official maps. Chairman Kardaseski said she would follow up on the issue with Attorney Mayer and/or ZBA Chair Roy Maxfield.
- VI. The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.
- a. Chairman Kardaseski reviewed the new format for the weekly agenda for the Selectmen's meeting. Beginning next week, those wishing to be on the agenda to meet with the Selectmen will be on a first-come first-served basis. Time slots will only be specified if there is a public hearing. Arrangements will still need to be made in advance with the Selectmen's Office. Those not on the agenda will be allowed to speak at the end of the meeting, time permitting.
  - b. The Board received the structural audit report on the Town Office Building from the Louis Berger Group. The Board will delay any further discussion until May 31. Tom McCue asked if the Town Office Building Study Committee would be able to review the report at their May 25 meeting. Mrs. Lee was instructed to have copies available.
  - c. The Board reviewed two past due ambulance bills. Selectman Bowles moved to send account # 11313 in the amount of \$390.50 to collection. Second by Chairman Kardaseski. All in favor. Motion carried.
  - d. The Board reviewed a recommendation from Assessor Dave Wiley for a land use change tax on Map 21, Lot 041.
  - e. The Board discussed the questions raised by Jim Leonard regarding his property on Mudgett Hill Road. Chairman Kardaseski said her thought is that Mr. Leonard should provide a copy of his boundary survey before any decision is made. The Board will have Mrs. Lee draft a letter to Mr. Leonard. Chairman Kardaseski said she would also like to obtain information from the State on their plans for that intersection. Chairman Kardaseski discussed the RSA that addresses roads created by prescription. Tom McCue said that there has been research completed on Voted Road due to other litigation issues. This material should be reviewed.

- f. Chairman Kardaseski stated the following: “We the Selectmen and Assessors of the Town of Loudon, New Hampshire, do solemnly swear that in making the inventory for the purpose of assessing the foregoing taxes, we appraised all taxable property at its full value and as we would appraise the same of a just debt due for a solvent debtor, so help us God.” The Tax Collector’s Warrant: In the name of the State you are hereby directed to collect the property taxes in the list herewith committed to you, amounting to the sum of Three Million Seven Hundred Sixty Eight Thousand Thirteen Dollars (\$3,768,013.00) and with interest at twelve (12%) percent per annum from July 1, 2005 thereafter, on all sums not paid on or before that day. And we further order you to pay all monies collected to the Treasurer of said town at least on a weekly basis when receipts exceed Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) or more often when directed by the Commissioner of Revenue Administration. Given under our hands at Loudon, New Hampshire, this Seventeenth day of May in 2005.”
- g. Selectman Bowles stated he has seen people picking up trash along the sides of the roads in Loudon and he personally wanted to thank them for their efforts.

Selectman Bowles moved to adjourn at 8:34 PM. Seconded by Chairman Kardaseski. All in favor. Meeting adjourned.

THE LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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Deborah A. Kardaseski, Chairman

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Dustin J. Bowles, Selectman

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Roger A. Maxfield, Selectman

