

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, June 14, 2011

Present: Selectmen Ives, Bowles, and Krieger

Also present: Fire Chief Jeff Burr, Road Agent Dave Rice, Police Chief Bob Fiske, Police Secretary Janice Morin, ZBA Chairman Dave Powelson, and Deputy Fire Chief Rich Edgecomb

Chairman Ives called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

- I. Chairman Ives opened the Board of Permit meeting.
 - a. Chief Fiske presented several permit requests: Brookside Mall, two COW towers for Sunnyside Maples, raffle for Loudon Food Pantry, and Z-1 Express. It was asked if the fee for the food pantry could be waived.
 - b. Chief Fiske presented paperwork for NHMS and Explosive Industries Inc dba A G Paintball. The chief explained that this would be a 40' x 80' fire retardant, inflatable arena that would be placed behind the Shell station. There would also be a storage area, an air compressor and trailer, and a smaller tent. The chief voiced his concern about this area taking up space in W Lot that is intended for parking. Chief Burr stated that he sent the specs to the fire marshal's office for review. Discussion continued about the total area required for this set-up, the items inside the arena, the amount of parking being lost, and the proposed dates (July 13-17, August 10-14, and September 21-25). It was agreed that the paperwork would not be signed until more information was available. NHMS will be notified that they should contact the Planning office to be put on the agenda for discussion at this week's Planning Board meeting.
 - c. Chief Fiske informed the group that NHMS is in the review process to host a Gift of Lights holiday drive-through light show. He noted that this would be held outside of the permitted race schedule. It was agreed that this is not race/motorized vehicle related so that restriction would not apply. Chief Fiske mentioned a concern about light pollution.
 - d. Chief Fiske asked if there is a stipulation on how many raffles a group can have each year. Selectman Bowles stated that the Town would have to follow the State's regulations since it has no ordinance of its own.
 - e. It was agreed to waive the fee for the food pantry raffle permit.
 - f. Chief Fiske addressed vendor and daytime parking at Rymes. He showed plans for each parking layout, noting that Rymes representatives have said that the vendors are closed on race day and the lot is used for event parking only. Chief Fiske stated that it would appear that there is no need for a Hawker and Peddler permit for Sunday of race weekend. The group agreed. There was discussion about event parking spaces near the fuel island. Chief Burr stated that they have not seen anything that says this cannot be done, noting that the store and pumps would be shut down that day. Discussion continued about access to different areas on the lots and the congestion of the area. Fire Lieutenant John Reese stated that Rymes

has submitted a new plan since the last Planning Board meeting. He has reviewed that plan and given a conditional approval for the July race based on reviews to be done throughout race week. Lieutenant Reese said that Rymes was made aware that these reviews would be done and if there were any problems they would be notified. He said this is the same process used for all other property owners with parking permits. Selectman Bowles said that the plans are an improvement over what has been on file and the situation is now on record. Chief Burr brought up the question as to who will be doing the parking permit inspections. This is undecided at this time. It was agreed that Rymes would be reviewed one race at a time and that it will clearly be stipulated that there is no vending on Sunday/race day.

- g. Chairman Ives noted that a memo was received from Donna White with regard to parking permits. Several permit holders have not responded to the request for updated plans. It was agreed that a note will be sent to each of the non-responding parties, notifying them that they will not be permitted to park cars for the upcoming race.

Chairman Ives closed the Board of Permit meeting. The Board returned to their regular meeting.

II. The Board met with Police Chief Bob Fiske.

- a. Chief Fiske said that he was contacted by a representative of the Loudon Freewill Baptist Church with regard to propane usage at the Town Hall. He said that the church feels they can do better on pricing than what is charged through the Town's account. Chief Fiske said that he explained that a tank up to 500 gallons could be placed without having to go before the Zoning Board but that there was the question as to who owns the land and where the tank could be placed. There was discussion about this involving a new tank and installation to separate the church's fuel from the Town's.
- b. Chief Fiske informed the Board that he has a price of \$200 from Kim Bean to do touch-up work, a price of \$750 from Steve Vachon for bathroom flooring and carpet with a runner in the main office, and a price of \$300 from Ken Bean for painting of everything. The chief was asked to get a price for flooring in the foyer as well.

III. Chairman Ives stated for the record that three pistol permits were signed.

IV. The Board met with Fire Chief Jeff Burr.

- a. Chief Burr stated that he did some research on the name of the department after Mr. Wilcox's inquiry at last week's meeting. He submitted paperwork from various years, back to 1947, with the name showing as Loudon Fire Department. He said that Loudon Volunteer Fire Department Association is a separate entity and what Mr. Wilcox may have been

referring to. It was suggested that Arthur Colby be contacted for further information.

- b. Chief Burr spoke about paperwork that he submitted for the Board's review at their last meeting. He explained that the rates shown reflected increases of 2 ½% discussed in budget minutes. Chief Burr said that he asked Jean Lee for figures and was told he was alright as long as he did not go over the 2 ½%. He explained the various rates to the Board.

V. The Board met with Road Agent Dave Rice

- a. The Board reviewed bid specs submitted by Mr. Rice. It was agreed that the specs were ready for distribution. It was decided that July 5th will be the date that bids will be opened.
- b. Mr. Rice spoke with the Board about patched areas around town that are getting bad. He said he would like to consider having the Town make its own patch as this would be about half the price of buying it since they would be able to supply the sand. He also spoke about doing seal coating on some roads. It was agreed that Mr. Rice will gather more pricing information to be considered later on.
- c. Mr. Rice informed the Board that he is still looking into mowers. He said he and Selectman Bowles have gathered a range of prices and will continue to research.

VI. The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

- a. The Board received copies of expenditure reports for review.
- b. The Board received information regarding the Fire Department name. Chairman Ives noted that this was discussed with Chief Burr earlier in the meeting. Paperwork from 1947, 1949, and 1995 were mentioned as all showing the name as Loudon Fire Department.
- c. The Board received a request from Paul Henle of NH Community Loan Fund to rent the barn. The request was approved.
- d. The Board received a thank you card from the Bottcher family.
- e. The Board reviewed miscellaneous correspondence.

Selectman Bowles moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Krieger. All were in favor. Meeting adjourned.

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