

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, August 25, 2015

Present: Chairman Bowles, Selectman Krieger and Selectman Ives.
Also present was: Fire Chief Rick Wright.

Chairman Bowles called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

- I. Selectman Krieger moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, August 18, 2015 as written. Seconded by Selectman Ives. All in favor. Motion carried.

- II. The Board met with Chief Wright.
 - a. Chief Wright explained that he has a meeting Friday morning with the organizers of the Timberman event along with the Fire Chief of Gilford. He asked the Board if they have anything in particular they would like him to bring up. Chairman Bowles said Chief Wright knows what the issues are and what he has had to deal with. He said the Board is behind Chief Wright. Selectman Ives said he would like to see them rerouting so they aren't shutting down 106/129. Selectman Krieger said he is all for bringing goods things into the state but he was elected by the town's people and he needs to protect them from these burdens. Chief Wright said it isn't helping businesses in town; especially when they block off entrances.
 - b. Chief Wright said he received the contract from Comstar. He reviewed it and had a few questions. Chief Wright will contact Concord to see if they can answer some of his questions.
 - c. Chief Wright said the new owner, Sunny Patel and manager, Chintu Patel of the Red Roof Inn stopped by to introduce themselves. He said they own about 50 hotels in Massachusetts and New Hampshire. He said they mentioned doing some renovations.
 - d. Chief Wright said he and Bill Lake met the new library director.

- III. The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.
 - a. The Board received the NH Department of Labor Inspection Report. Chairman Bowles explained that the inspection was conducted on August 6. He said all the town building had some minor deficiencies.
 - b. The Board received the Merrimack Valley School Board Cease & Desist Order regarding their Polling Hours. Chairman Bowles explained that for about the last 15 years they have been restricting polling time to 6-7:30 pm. The Attorney Generals' Office said from this point on the polls have to be open from 11:00 am to 7:00 pm at a minimum.
 - c. The Board received the Comstar Ambulance Billing information for review.
 - d. The Board received a New England Motorsports museum ground breaking invitation to be held on September 25, at 2pm.
 - e. The Board received correspondence from Chief Wright regarding a personnel issue.

- f. The Board received a HealthTrust check for reimbursement of dental contributions made in 2014 for the amount of \$2,355.31.
- g. The Board received a Sanborn Mill Dam Permit Extension Request notification.
- h. The Board received an email from Henry Welch regarding the railing at Town Hall. Chairman Bowles will talk to the Road Agent about getting it done once the road projects are finished.
- i. The Board received a copy of the approved July 16, 2015 Planning Board Minutes.
- j. The Board received Liberty Utilities safety information.

IV. The Board received a reminder that the Zoning Board meets Thursday at 7:00 PM.

V. Selectman Krieger explained that last week he, Selectman Ives and Road Agent Lance Houle interviewed three people for the Transfer Station job. He said one was from in house, all three were from Loudon, all three were nice, caring people, and he wishes there were two openings because two of them stood out. Selectman Krieger said they decided to hire Dustin Bowles to take Steve Bennett's job. He explained that Mr. Bowles has taken classes and has the certifications. Selectman Krieger said they have one other person that is certified so now when someone is out or goes on vacation they'll have someone else certified. Selectman Krieger thanked all three applicants for applying. Patrick Golden thanked the Town of Loudon for the opportunity to interview and said that he considers Dustin to be a great candidate. Selectman Krieger stated that they appreciated Mr. Golden, he made their decision harder and maybe something will come up in the future. Selectman Ives said he and Selectman Krieger will be selecting a replacement for Selectman Bowles. He said that according to the RSA they are to appoint someone to serve out his term and then someone will have to run for the position in March. Selectman Ives said three people have shown interest in the position. Selectman Ives stated that Mr. Bowles will start the Transfer Station position Monday, August 31, 2015.

VI. Chairman Bowles presented a resignation letter to the Board of Selectmen.

To Loudon Board of Selectmen:

I regretfully will be resigning from my Selectman seat effective 8/31/15, as an opportunity has set forth which I feel would be a chance to further serve the Town of Loudon. I would like to take this opportunity to thank those who have served as Selectmen in my tenure. Working with them has been an honor and I have learned a great deal from them as well. I would also like to thank the members of the Planning Board. Both boards have worked hard to move the town in a forward direction, working with the Department Heads as well as the residents of this great town. I have seen many changes come along and have always kept the best interest of our residents and businesses in mind when making decisions to move our town forward. In the near future, I am in hopes of continuing to serve out town by looking into other committees or boards to stay connected to the

residents of our community. I would like to thank the ladies in the Town Office for their help in my time in office as well. We have a very talented group of employees and elected officials who make working and living in Loudon a pleasure. Lastly, I would like to thank the residents for their support and patience along the way, without which it would be difficult to make the tough decisions that keep us moving forward. Again, thank you all and hope to see you around town. Sincerely, Dustin J. Bowles.

Selectman Krieger said Chairman Bowles has done a really good job for the town and cared about the town. He said the three of them have not always agreed on everything but they remain friends and it's worked out well. Selectman Krieger said he appreciates everything Chairman Bowles has done and he knows for a fact that he has done a lot more for the town than he has gotten paid for. Selectman Ives stated that he appreciates working with Chairman Bowles, they worked together for three terms and he learned a lot from Chairman Bowles. He said one of their biggest accomplishments is to keep the Town of Loudon a nice place to live and kept taxes reasonable. He said they have had differences but they were never aired in public or in the Concord Monitor; they always kept the Town of Loudon as their number one concern. Chairman Bowles said he enjoyed working with both of them as well and with other past Selectmen like Roger Maxfield. Mr. Maxfield said Chairman Bowles grew tremendously as a Selectman became a real executive and he wished him the best in his new endeavor. Steve Jakubowski said from his prospective as a resident he thinks that Chairman Bowles has done a very good job protecting the residents of the town. Fire Chief Wright thanked Chairman Bowles, saying that he has helped him a lot since he became Chief.

VII. Steve Jakubowski expressed his thanks to the town crew for the great job they did on Piper Hill Road. He said that stretch of road is perfect now. Chairman Bowles said it has been a tough summer for the road crew; they are under new leadership and they had some big projects to tackle.

VIII. Chairman Bowles recognized Jerry Boyle the Chairman of this year's Boy Scout Jamboree, Chris Hopkins, the marketing director from the Daniel Webster Council of the Boy Scouts and Jessica Ferreira from NHMS.

Mr. Boyle said they are holding the largest scouting event in New England on Columbus Day weekend at the New Hampshire Motor Speedway. He explained that they could have 6000 people throughout the weekend. He said they will have some VIP's such as the Governor. Mr. Boyle said they are going to have the world's largest pinewood derby race track, he said a representative from Guinness Book of World Records will be attending. He said there will be zip-lines, climbing walls, shotgun shooting, robotics, and rocketry. Mr. Hopkins gave the Board a map of the track that shows all of the activities. He said there will be a BMX stunt team, Pogo stunt team, and bungee trampolines. Mr. Hopkins said they have contracting with all of these groups and will be obtaining insurance certificates. He said they will have everything from bb guns to archery, to shotguns and

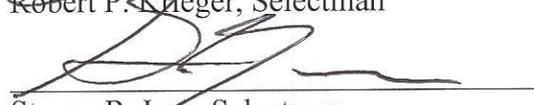
pistols, and slingshots. Mr. Hopkins explained that they are working on the berm either using something existing or to constructing something. He said all the ranges will be managed by a RSO and instructors. He explained that they aren't teaching the kids to be super marksmen; they are teaching gun safety. Mr. Hopkins said the total number of activities right now is 85-100. He said they will be running the activities from 10:00am to about 4:30pm. Selectman Krieger asked that they be careful about where they construct the berm; that they be conscious of what is on the other side of it. Selectman Ives said they are always concerned with noise; he asked that the police and fire department be made aware of the time of shooting etc in case neighbors call wondering what is going on. Mr. Hopkins said scouts will be arriving on Friday night and Saturday morning, the program is only on Saturday, and they will all be out by 11:00am on Sunday. Selectman Ives asked how many they anticipate spending the night. Mr. Hopkins said probably 3000, they will be in tents. Selectman Ives asked if there will be a curfew and asked if there is a plan in place to be sure that the children are safe. Mr. Hopkins said everyone will have to register, the gates will be manned 24/7 by their people, they will have to ID's, parking passes; all that kind of stuff. Ms. Ferreira said that because they are younger the Cub Scouts will be inside the track where it's more secure. Mr. Hopkins said a Boy Scout troop might come with 20 scouts and 3-4 adults, cub scouts typically come 1 scout with one adult or family. Selectman Ives asked if they would have campfires. Mr. Hopkins said he is trying to discourage that. He said they might have a few on Friday night but they will be above ground in a barrel or something. He explained that Saturday night will be a closing show with fireworks at 9:45 pm so he doubts there will be campfires; the scouts will be worn out by then. Chief Wright asked how they will cook meals. Mr. Hopkins said a lot will use propane if they are going to cook a meal. Chief Wright asked how many troops. Mr. Hopkins said approximately 200. Chief Wright asked if there will be a big bonfire on Saturday night. Mr. Hopkins said no; just a show and fireworks. Chief Wright said the permit for the fireworks needs to be in to the state at least 2 weeks in advance. Chief Wright asked where the fireworks show will be. Mr. Hopkins said they will shoot them off in N9. Chief Wright asked about a plan in case of bad weather. Mr. Hopkins said they will adjust the activities. He said for example if there are high winds they won't run the climbing wall. Mr. Hopkins said that in addition to contracting the track's medical staff they will have their own EMT's, physicians and nurses to provide medical services in need be. Selectman Krieger asked what services are expected from the town. Chief Wright said they had talked about having the forestry truck up there on Saturday from 4-10:00 pm. Selectman Krieger asked about the number of vehicles. Mr. Hopkins showed the Board the traffic parking and control plan. He explained that there will be a lot of drop off's, he explained that their day registration is low at this point; if that picks up there will be more Saturday morning traffic. Mr. Hopkins said they will be using S1 for day parking so they will enter and park quickly, some troops will bring a bus and some will carpool. Chief Wright asked what would

happen to the people in the tents if a thunderstorm or bad weather came in. Mr. Hopkins showed the Board the "Leaders and Family Guide". Those issues are discussed in the guide, they will be using the tracks text messaging system and encouraging folks to sign up for it in case of bad weather. Selectman Ives said he asked Jessica to bring the scouts in for this discussion and it sounds like they have a good plan and its well organized.

- IX. Selectman Krieger moved to adjourn at 6:50 PM. Seconded by Selectman Ives. All in favor. Motion carried.

LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN


Robert P. Krieger, Selectman


Steven R. Ives, Selectman