

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, September 13, 2005

**Present: Selectman Bowles and Maxfield. Chairman Kardaseski is not present.
Also present: Police Chief, Code Enforcement/Compliance Officer Bob Fiske, Tom Dow,
Planning Board Vice-Chairman, and Road Agent David Rice were present for Board of
Permit.**

Selectman Bowles called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

- I. Selectman Maxfield moved to accept the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, September 6, 2005 as printed. Seconded by Selectman Bowles. Selectman Bowles moved to amend the minutes on page 2, IV, c to read, "Selectman Bowles stated he hoped that all departments would do what they can to conserve fuel and conserve any other line item as the budget is going to be strained by the end of the year with the increased costs in fuel." Seconded by Selectman Maxfield. All in favor. Amendment carried.
- II. Selectman Bowles opened the Board of Permit.
 - a. Mr. Fiske discussed a Hawker and Peddler's permit for Brookside Mall. He stated when this application came up before the Board of Permit the decision was to allow for the July race to be sure all requirements or conditions of the Hawker and Peddlers permit were met. Mr. Fiske stated up to this point Mrs. George has met all the requirements. Mr. Fiske stated Mrs. George is in the process of obtaining State approval for the wetlands issue, and will eventually get with the Planning Board to increase the parking. Mr. Fiske stated he had no objections with Mrs. George having the same setup this weekend as she had in July. Selectman Bowles asked if it were just the vendors and not race parking. Mr. Fiske stated she is allowed to have parking for just the parking spaces she currently has now. She cannot use the gravel lot in the back. Discussion ensued regarding parking and concerns for safety of patrons. Mr. Fiske stated there are businesses that will not be open on race day. Selectman Bowles stated that as long as the Police Department is looking out for the safety of the patrons, he has no problems with it. All agreed to allow Mrs. George the Hawker and Peddler's permit.
- III. The Board met with Police Chief, Code Enforcement/Compliance Officer Bob Fiske.
 - a. Selectman Bowles stated for the record that three pistol permits were submitted for signature and review.
- IV. The Board met with Road Agent David Rice.

- a. Mr. Rice stated all was going well and the Highway Crew was getting the hills on Currier Road ready before winter. Selectman Maxfield asked if both of the hills on Currier Road were going to be paved. Mr. Rice stated as long as everything went smoothly they were planning on paving both the hills.
- b. Selectman Bowles advised Mr. Rice to cut back as much as possible to conserve in fuel costs. Mr. Rice stated he had hired Mr. Minery to do roadside mowing which comes out of a line item that cannot be moved around. Mr. Rice said while he felt the new mower is fuel efficient he was planning to work on the trouble areas in town and will do what he can to conserve fuel.
- c. Selectman Bowles stated he had driven over the Ridge and thought it turned out pretty well. Selectman Maxfield stated he felt the residents on Loudon Ridge Road would be happy with the results from Route 106 to Route 129. Mr. John Plummer stated he thought it came out well and said they have the ditches built in and it is really nice.

V. The Board met with Rick Lavoie from 376 Route 129.

- a. Mr. Lavoie discussed an issue he has with an abutter cutting trees and possibly cutting on to his property. Mr. Lavoie stated he had researched the deeds and advised Ms. Pickering of what they say including the stonewall as being part of her deed. He stated he had spoken with Mr. Fiske and Mr. Fiske was going to speak with Ms. Pickering advising her to be sure she was cutting or placing fill on her property and not that of her abutters. Mr. Lavoie stated he had not heard anything from either Ms. Pickering or Mr. Fiske and is trying to get this worked out. Mr. Lavoie stated he knows he cannot stop her from cutting her trees; however, he is trying to stop her from cutting his trees. Selectman Maxfield stated he feels a survey is in order. Mr. Lavoie stated Ms. Pickering advised him she felt the deed was not correct; however, she was not planning to get a survey done. Mr. Fiske stated since neither party wants to do a survey on their own, he can not conclude if Ms. Pickering is on her own property or not. Mr. Fiske stated Ms. Pickering is willing to go to the stonewall and to the pin they found but she is not willing to state her land only goes to the stonewall. Mr. Fiske advised Mr. Lavoie if Ms. Pickering decided to cut further, he would not issue a cease and desist, as there is no boundary survey on file. Selectman Maxfield stated he felt the only way to address the issue was to have a survey. Mr. Fiske asked Ms. Pickering to leave a natural swale. Mr. Lavoie stated he would agree to that; however, he felt there could be a chance later on where she may decide not to stop at the stonewall. He stated it was Ms. Pickering who had the discrepancy with her deed. He said she should be the one to get the survey. Selectman Maxfield said when a person feels someone is infringing on his or her land, they are the ones who need to get the survey to prove once and for all the results. Discussion ensued regarding a portion of the stonewall being removed as well as the fact the tax maps are not to be used for legal conveyance. Selectman Bowles stated the Board could mediate situations; however, it comes down to a civil issue.

VI. The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

- a. Selectman Bowles stated the Board received two resignation letters from Village Plan Committee members Carol Pike and Pam Smith. The Board stated they appreciated their time and regret their resignations.
- b. The Board received a memo from Jeff Burr regarding a meeting on October 5, with the two contractors for the Safety Complex.
- c. The Board received a memo from Jeff Burr regarding the reappointment of Deputy Forest Fire Wardens. Selectman Maxfield moved to reappoint Robert Bottcher as Deputy Forest Fire Warden, Jason Crossman as Deputy Forest Fire Warden, and James McNeil as Deputy Forest Fire Warden and to reappoint Richard E. Wright as Deputy Warden. Seconded by Selectman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.
- d. The Board received a memo from Planning/Zoning Board Secretary Tammy Davis regarding new office hours. The office hours will be Tuesday evening from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM and Thursday from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM and by appointment until September 29. Beginning September 30, the hours will be Monday through Thursday 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM and Tuesday evenings 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM.
- e. The Board received a recall notice regarding the 2004 Econoline Van. The Cate Van Committee has received this information.
- f. The Board received a letter from Michael Harris. The Board will take this under advisement.
- g. The Board reviewed three invitations to welfare conferences.
- h. The Board received an invitation to NHDOT and CNHRPC for transportation seminar.

Selectman Maxfield moved to adjourn at 7:23 PM. Seconded by Selectman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.

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