

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, September 18, 2012

Present: Chairman Bowles, Selectman Krieger, and Selectman Ives.
Also present was Road Agent Dave Rice and Police Chief Bob Fiske.

Chairman Bowles called the Meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

Chairman Bowles stated that the Board of Permit meeting scheduled for this evening is cancelled due to the fact that there was nothing on the agenda.

Selectman Krieger moved to accept the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, September 4, 2012 as written; seconded by Selectman Ives. All were in favor. Motion carries.

Chairman Bowles explained that there are no minutes from last week; their meeting was cancelled due to the election. Selectman Ives thanked the election officials for a job well done.

- I. The Board met with Road Agent Dave Rice.
 - a. Mr. Rice stated that he still has some gravel work to finish on Loudon Ridge Road.
 - b. Mr. Rice said that Bee Hole is done. Mr. Rice said he is going to see what it will cost to shim over the areas on the other end of Bee Hole where they pulled the rocks out. That would make it easier to plow and shouldn't cost more than \$10,000.00. Chairman Bowles asked where the money would come from. Mr. Rice said out of the road maintenance budget.
 - c. Mr. Rice said they are working on the trucks, getting them ready for inspection.
 - d. Mr. Rice said he spoke to a couple of people about a screener; they need to start screening sand.
 - e. Mr. Rice said the new grader should be here the first week of October.

- II. The Board met with Police Chief Bob Fiske.
 - a. Chief Fiske said that he spoke to Mr. Laliberte at the elementary school and told him the town would not need the school for the Presidential Election. The election will be held back at the Town Hall.
 - b. Chief Fiske stated that in regards to NHMS; they wanted traffic to go up Asby Road, they wanted to use the South Bound lane for buses in the morning, they wanted to put a big Navy tent down behind Station R, and all were nixed. The location where they wanted to put the tent was not in the tent area and was off a class 6 town road.
 - c. Chief Fiske stated that he would like to hire Lisa Radcliffe, she lives on Bee Hole Road, her husband is military and she has 2-3 kids. Her duties would be code and building and answering the phone, no police computer work. He would like to hire her for \$12.50 per hour, eight hours per week; four hours on Mondays and four hours on Tuesdays for the time being. Chairman Bowles asked if there is enough work to do since there isn't a lot of building going on. Chief Fiske stated that they are way behind; there is a lot of renovation stuff, a lot of code stuff. Selectman Ives said that

Chief is going to need somebody and this will be a good way to do it. Selectmen Krieger said if they are falling behind they need someone, he stated that he doesn't know what a starting salary should be. Chairman Bowles suggested that they could start her at less and raise it in six months. Selectman Krieger said that he trusts what the Chief says and the Chief has already talked to her. Selectman Krieger made a motion to hire Lisa Radcliffe as a part-time secretary four hours Mondays and four hours Tuesdays at \$12.50 per hour starting September 24, 2012. Seconded by Selectman Ives. All were in favor. Motion carries. Chairman Bowles asked the Chief to put something in writing and get it to the office.

- d. Selectmen Ives asked about the vandalism he's heard about at the rec field. Chief Fiske said it's nothing much.
- e. Chairman Bowles stated that they received a complaint from a resident of Bumfagon Road regarding a concert to be held at NHMS. Chief Fiske said NHMS is allowed to have a band, until 11:00 pm, he stated that the covenants state that a concert is not allowable. Chief Fiske said that the Board of Permit allows a band to play. Chairman Bowles recognized Linda Cote from the audience who made the complaint. Ms. Cote said that she understood the track was not allowed to have concerts, so why is it being permitted. Chief Fiske said that the covenants say a concert is not allowed and this is not a concert like something that would be at Meadow Brook, it is a four piece band that goes up on stage and plays for the entertainment of the people in the immediate vicinity. Chairman Bowles stated that they don't sell tickets to it. Ms. Cote said that they are recruiting people to come in and attend Thursday night's fan fest, they're having a rock band come in and they are advertising it on WOKQ. Chief Fiske said he hasn't heard that and will look into it and address it. Ms. Cote said she looked up the meaning of concert and it is a performance, on stage with sound equipment, even if they don't sell tickets it is still a concert. Chief Fiske said that the intent of the covenant was that the track would be a racetrack and they wouldn't have weekends when there would be just concerts without racing. Ms. Cote said living behind the track the music is offensive particularly on Saturday night. Chief Fiske assured Ms. Cote that he would look into it.
- f. Selectman Krieger asked about a new little member of the department. Chief Fiske said that Corporal Fiske is the father of a baby boy. The Board offered their congratulations to the family.

III. The Board recognized Bob Levan from the audience. Mr. Levan commended Road Agent Rice and the Board for the great improvements to Bee Hole Road.

IV. The Board met with Nancy Fraher, Democratic candidate for State Senate. Ms. Fraher explained that she retired after teaching for 35 years in Candia. She isn't happy with the way things are going in Concord so she decided to give back. Ms. Fraher said that she is a moderate democrat and believes in small business, children and wants to make NH a better place. Selectman Krieger asked her about State Retirement. Ms. Fraher said that she receives state pension, her husband is a state employee and she believes in the rights of workers and believes that if you put into the pension plan and you've done your part it

should be expected. Selectman Ives asked if she thinks the plan should be reevaluated. Ms. Fraher said it needs to be, to see how it is being funded now and in the future. Selectman Ives stated that there are people making more money now than when they were working. Ms. Fraher said she doesn't believe that is the average worker. Selectman Krieger asked Ms. Fraher if she gets elected would she come back and keep in touch with the Board. She said she would. The Board thanked Ms. Fraher for coming in.

- V. The Board began their review of correspondence.
- a. The Board received a copy of the Order of Notice regarding Fairpoint Communications.
 - b. The Board received a letter from J.L. Green and Debra Rattee requesting the return of the bond for Batchelder Road improvements. Chairman Ives said that he looked at the road and they did what they said what they would. The manifest was signed and the check can be released.
 - c. The Board received a memo regarding the complaint about a concert at NHMS; it was discussed earlier with the complainant and Chief Fiske.
 - d. The Board received a letter from Bob Bahre. Chairman Bowles read the following into the record. *Dear Selectmen, It was nice to see all of you last weekend at the Loudon Country Club. I want you to know how much I appreciate the time you took to organize the breakfast as well as your kind words and the thoughtful plaque. As much as the recognition is appreciated we'll never lose sight of the fact that the success of New Hampshire International Speedway was the result of a cooperative effort between the town officials, the citizens of Loudon, our dedicated team, and many others. It was a pleasure to work with all of you over the years, and your support will never be forgotten. Sincerely, Bob Bahre.* Chairman Bowles stated that it was a nice breakfast that they had with Mr. Bahre, his wife and his son, it went very well. Selectman Ives thanked Bill Leombruno for covering the cost of the breakfast.
 - e. The Board received a thank you letter from the Public Works Employee Memorial of NH for the donation that the town sent in memory of Archie Page.
 - f. The Board received past due ambulance bill for review. Selectman Krieger made a motion to send the following ambulance bill to collection: account #31609 in the amount of \$641.60, seconded by Selectmen Ives. All in favor. Motion carried.
 - g. The Board received a memo from Donna White regarding her taking vacation Columbus Day week.
 - h. The Board received a note from Tax Collector Helen McNeil stating that Deirdre Littlefield has graduated from the New Hampshire Tax Collectors certification program. The Board congratulated Ms. Littlefield. Chairman Bowles said that she is an outstanding employee and hard worker.
 - i. The Board received letters regarding Bankruptcy Claims. The Board will discuss it with the office and decide whether it needs to be forwarded to Town Council for review.
 - j. The Board received a NH Association of Assessing Officials Election Ballot.
 - k. The Board received a letter from Liberty Utilities/National Grid regarding fixed pricing for the heating season.

- l. The Board received a Pipeline Association for Public Awareness Newsletter.
- m. The Board received a copy of the Cate Van meeting minutes of August 2, 2012.
- n. The Board received miscellaneous correspondence.

Selectman Krieger moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:18 PM. Seconded by Selectman Ives. All in favor. Meeting adjourned.

LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Dustin J. Bowles, Chairman

Robert P. Krieger, Selectman

Steven R. Ives, Selectman