

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, October 30, 2012

Present: Chairman Bowles, Selectman Krieger and Selectman Ives.

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

Selectman Ives moved to accept the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, October 23, 2012 as written; seconded by Chairman Bowles. All were in favor. Motion carries.

- I. Chairman Bowles stated for the record that he signed one pistol permit.
- II. The Board met with Lorrie Carey.
 - a. Ms. Carey stated that she is a candidate for State Representative Merrimack District 26. She explained that she is trying to get around to each of the five towns in the district those five being Canterbury, Boscawen, Loudon, Northfield and Franklin Ward 3. Ms. Carey said it is a very diverse district with people having a lot of different situations. Ms. Carey asked the Selectmen what they see as Loudon's priorities, once the election is over, in terms of their relationship with the state. Selectmen Krieger said school; the town writes a large check for education, they can't keep taxes down when everything else keeps going up. He explained that they do a very good job within the town but they are getting it from all sides and they have to pass that on to everyone in town. Ms. Carey said that as previously serving as a Selectwomen she understands that. Selectman Ives stated that Route 106 is a concern; they need to maintain some control of it and what happens to it. It splits the town in half and with the race track's influence at the state level; the town's voice needs to be heard. Ms. Carey said she understands the concern with the track both with Loudon and with Canterbury. Ms. Carey asked the Selectmen how they feel about the widening of Route 106. Selectman Krieger said that the state says that accommodating the race track is not the reason for the widening of 106, they say it is for the traffic coming from the north. Chairman Bowles stated that 50% of the traffic comes from Shaker Road and south so why does the road need to be widened to the track. Chairman Bowles stated that they need to concentrate on the safety issues where there have been deaths and serious injuries. Selectman Ives stated that what has been spent on studying the widening could have been spent to improve the two dangerous intersections; Chichester Road and Staniels/Josiah Bartlett Road. Chairman Bowles agreed with Selectman Krieger that they have cut the town budget and things are as tight as they can be; they just have to vote people in to the state that they hope are going to help. Ms. Carey thanked that Board and asked that they vote for her on Election Day.
- III. The Board began their review of correspondence.
 - a. The Board received a copy of the current Expenditure Report.

- b. The Board received a copy of correspondence from Town Council regarding Fairpoint.
- c. The Board received two memos from Chief Fiske regarding Hurricane Sandy. Chairman Bowles commended everyone that got out and helped with that. He said that other than some downed power lines and tree's the town made out pretty well. Chairman Bowles thanked the highway guys, the fire and the police along with Faith Stevens with the CERT team for all their efforts during and after the storm.
- d. The Board reviewed LYAA invoices for approval. The Board approved payment of the invoices.
- e. The Board received an email from Donna White regarding Bert Lane. Chairman Bowles explained that Dan Aversa asked if the town would be willing to accept Bert Lane before the access road to the Ordway property is complete. Selectman Krieger asked how many houses are on Bert Lane. Chairman Bowles stated that there are two. Selectman Ives asked what the Planning Board required Mr. Aversa to do with the access road. Chairman Bowles said that he thinks he was supposed to grub it out, make it passable and possibly widen it. Chairman Bowles stated that with only two houses they wouldn't be accepting that road this fall. The Board will take this under advisement at this time.
- f. The Board received a past due ambulance bill for review. Selectman Krieger made a motion to send the following ambulance bill to collection: account #52233 in the amount of \$675.20, seconded by Selectman Ives. All in favor. Motion carried.
- g. The Board received an estimate for gutter work on the safety building. Chairman Bowles stated that the estimate doesn't include details. He will talk to the Road Agent about the estimate.
- h. The Board received a copy of the Highway Block Grant check in the amount of \$43,929.75.
- i. The Board received a copy of the ESMI 3rd Quarter 2012 Host Community Fee report.
- j. The Board received a letter from the NH Charitable Foundation regarding the 2013 Budget and the War Memorial/Monument Maintenance Fund.
- k. The Board received a copy of the October 25, 2012 Zoning Board Minutes.
- l. The Board received a postcard from Liberty Utilities with information regarding incentives when building a new facility.
- m. The Board received a copy for each of the NH Election Procedure Manual 2012-2013.
- n. The Board received miscellaneous correspondence.

IV. The Board discussed the purchase of the American Legion property. Chairman Bowles stated that the Town Attorney is putting together the purchase and sales agreement. Selectman Ives will talk to Joe from the Legion about getting an authorization to sell letter. Chairman Bowles will get in touch with Mr. Cabot and set up a meeting so details can be worked out. Selectmen Ives asked about some of the requests that were in Mr.

Cabot's letter. Chairman Bowles stated that he is working with the Planning and Zoning Boards at the workshops to get some of those items ironed out. Selectman Krieger said that a couple of people have asked him why the building isn't going out to bid. Chairman Bowles stated that's why they had the public hearings. Selectman Krieger suggested that once the purchase and sales is signed, the town put it out for bid with a short deadline. Selectman Ives said that he doesn't want to hurry this, if it has to wait for another year it can and he's concerned there might not be enough money for the land and building, he does not want to borrow any money. Chairman Bowles and Selectmen Krieger agreed that they don't want to borrow money and shouldn't have to. Chairman Bowles said that they will get the committee formed soon. Selectman Krieger said that the majority of people want Mr. Cabot to have the building but there are people that think the town should get some money for it. He suggested that they do their due diligence and put a minimum bid on it and put it out there for a couple of weeks, there is a possibility that someone might want to pay something for it. The Board agreed that once the purchase is finalized they will put the building out for bid with a minimum.

Selectman Krieger moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:21 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