

**Selectmen's Meeting Minutes**  
**Tuesday, March 29, 2011**

Present: Selectmen Ives, Bowles, and Krieger

Also present were Police Chief Bob Fiske and Deputy Fire Chief Rich Edgecomb

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

- I. Selectman Bowles moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, March 22, 2011; seconded by Selectman Krieger. All in favor. Motion carried.
- II. The Board met with Deputy Fire Chief Rich Edgecomb. Mr. Edgecomb reported that the forestry unit was placed in service today and that the ladder truck is still not back. He stated that some custom parts had to be made and they hope to have the truck back on Thursday or Friday of this week. It was noted that the ladder has been out of service for four weeks.
- III. The Board met with Police Chief Bob Fiske.
  - a) The chief handed in paperwork relative to court fines.
  - b) Chairman Ives stated for the record that three pistol permits were signed.
- IV. Chairman Ives stated that there were several committee appointments to be made as the current terms expire March 31, 2011. Selectman Krieger made a motion to re-appoint the following with terms to expire March 31, 2012: Deputy Tax Collector – Deirdre Littlefield; Deputy Town Clerk – Helen McNeil; Library Trustee Alternate – Marilyn Sylvester; Solid Waste & Recycling Committee – Steve Bennett, Norman Bowles, Barbara Parent, Leann Childress, and David Rice; Recreation Committee – Alicia Grimaldi, Amanda Masse, Jennifer Pfeifer, Christine Campbell, Melissa Minery, and Kimberly Therrien; and Conservation Commission – Daniel Geiger with a term to expire March 31, 2014. Selectman Bowles seconded the motion. Selectman Bowles thanked all of the appointees for being willing to step up and take these positions, acknowledging that most are very time consuming. Chairman Ives agreed, noting that people like these volunteers are what make Loudon a nice place to live. All in favor. Motion carried. Appointment papers were signed.
- V. Chairman Ives recognized Jerry Gappens, General Manager/Executive Vice President of NHMS, from the audience. Mr. Gappens said that he was in attendance to let the selectmen know that he is working on a follow-up on services for the upcoming races. He said he should have something prepared by the end of the week. Chairman Ives stated that the track's permit of operation is being taken care of and they would like to tentatively schedule a meeting, perhaps for the end of the next week. Mr. Gappens said he would like to get more information on last year's staffing. It was agreed to make a tentative plan for

meeting on Thursday, April 7, 2011. The selectmen will confirm with Mr. Gappens. Selectman Bowles said that they should have the permit for small events in order tomorrow.

- VI. The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.
- a) The Board received a memo from Bonnie Theriault with regard to the following: 1) Deb Kardaseski is unable to put the plaque presentation into this month's issue of the Ledger due to lack of space; it will appear next month. 2) Road committee information from various towns for the Board's review. 3) Reminder of meeting at 3:30 p.m. on March 31, 2011 with the assessor and DRA representative.
  - b) The Board received expenditure reports for review.
  - c) The Board received a letter from Bruce Marshall with regard to an extension for the filing period on an Intent to Cut.
  - d) The Board received notification from DES regarding DES Training Workshops being temporarily cancelled.
  - e) The Board received NH DOT 2011 NHMS Traffic Control Plan Committee meeting dates. Selectman Bowles confirmed with Chief Fiske that he will be available on those dates.
  - f) The Board received the NH DOT Conference Report from October 14, 2010.
  - g) The Board received information forwarded from Jeff Burr regarding Emergency Management Planning Grants.
  - h) The Board received a copy of an e-mail from a resident on Bee Hole Road regarding drainage issues.
  - i) The Board received Hazard Mitigation Assistance Grant information.
  - j) The Board received copies of draft ZBA minutes of March 24, 2011 for review.
  - k) The Board received information on a DES drinking water source protection workshop.
  - l) The Board received past due ambulance bills for review. Selectman Bowles made a motion to send the following ambulance bills to collection: account #47851 in the amount of \$672.80, account #48225 in the amount of \$660.80, account #46568 in the amount of \$298.05, account #48206 in the amount of \$521.10, and account #47131 in the amount of \$509.10. Selectman Krieger seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.
  - m) The Board received a memo from Donna White about purchasing a used computer that has been put out of service. It was noted that there are several computers in the office that are no longer used due to upgrades. There was discussion of sending them to auction or taking sealed bids. It was agreed to put the used computers out for sealed bids as someone in the community may also be interested in them.
  - n) The Board received a copy of NHLGC News-link and NHMA Legislative Bulletin #13.
  - o) The Board received a copy of a training certificate for Tom Henley.
  - p) The Board reviewed miscellaneous correspondence.

VII. At 7:00 p.m. Chairman Ives opened the public hearing for a barn preservation easement on Map 20, Lot 32, 25 South Village Road, next door to the Town Office. He explained the purpose of a barn preservation easement. Chairman Ives stated that the barn has a current assessment of \$13,200 and the Board can give a range of 25% to 75% off the value. Owner Bob Every stated that he has owned the property since 1997 and has worked to keep the property in good condition. Mr. Every said that he has used the house as a rental since buying it and he has put \$15,000-\$20,000 into the barn with work on the roof, windows, door, paint, and a little foundation work. Chairman Ives asked about the age of the barn. Mr. Every said that the barn has an outhouse in it that was originally used for the house and he believes that, and the fact that it is Greek revival style, would put the barn in the 1860-1870 range. Selectman Bowles asked if any modernization has been done. Mr. Every said there has not; he has preserved what was there and restored the outhouse as it is quite an unusual one.

Chairman Ives read the notice of the public hearing as follows: "Notice of Public Hearing. The Board of Selectmen of the Town of Loudon will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, March 29, 2011, 7:00 p.m., at the Loudon Community Building located behind the Town Offices, to review an application for a Discretionary Preservation Easement pursuant to RSA 79-D for Robert and Patricia Every, Tax Map 20, Lot 032. All interested parties are invited to attend. Signed: Steven R. Ives, Chairman; Dustin J. Bowles, Selectman; Robert P. Krieger, Selectman."

Selectman Bowles recommended that 25% reduction be given whereas the barn is in good shape and work has already been done to preserve it. He stated that other barns that have been granted the easement are under the need of repair and the savings could be used to go into their preservation. Chairman Ives said that he felt a 50% reduction should be granted because of the care that has been given and will continue to be given to the barn. There was discussion of the type of floor in the barn, any further work that Mr. Every may plan to do, and his intent for the property. Chairman Ives recognized Steve Jakubowski from the audience. Mr. Jakubowski said he would think someone who has already invested in restoration would get a bigger percentage reduction, being rewarded for their efforts. Selectman Bowles explained the purpose of a discretionary easement. Chairman Ives commended Mr. Every on the work he has done.

Selectman Krieger made a motion to approve the barn preservation easement for Map 20, Lot 032 a 50% reduction of its assessed value; seconded by Selectman Bowles. Chairman Ives noted that the easement is to be renewed every ten years. All in favor. Motion carried. Chairman Ives closed the public hearing.

VIII. Selectman Bowles moved to go into executive session at 7:16 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Krieger. Roll call vote: Krieger – yes, Bowles – yes, Ives – yes. Chief Fiske was requested to be present. Selectman Bowles moved to come out of executive session at 7:47 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Krieger. Roll call vote: Krieger – yes, Bowles – yes, Ives – yes. Chairman Ives stated that the purpose of

the executive session was to discuss track security and an ongoing personnel issue.

Selectman Bowles moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:48 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Krieger. All in favor. Meeting adjourned.

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