



**Town of Tamworth
Board of Selectmen's Meeting
January 12, 2006
Town Office**

PRESENT:

Mariette Ross, John Roberts, David Haskell, Peter Howe, Kevin Gagne, Donna Lane, Tom Peters, Cassandra Pearce, and Anne Abear.

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Mariette Ross called the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m.

**CHOCORUA COMMUNITY
PROJECT:**

The Board met with Peter Howe and Kevin Gagne of FST Engineering regarding the Chocorua Community Project. Peter Howe indicated the snow covering on the ground is going to make for a difficult time of year to complete the survey of the project area. Peter Howe continued by stating much of the project hinders on the survey being completed, as this will give the engineering firm a good look at the area to be worked on. Once the survey is complete, the engineering firm will give suggestions of which the Board will select which area and price will be started first. Peter Howe indicated HE Bergeron would be completing the survey of the area.

Tom Peters discussed the concerns of the Chocorua Community Association. The Board indicated they had already reviewed these concerns and added some of them to the scope of work. Other items on the list were already addressed by the Board or the State.

Donna Lane discussed additional grants that have been allocated for this project. The Board was advised two (2) of these grants still needed to be approved by governor and council.

Peter Howe discussed the landscaping of the property and advised that the architect who attended a prior meeting with the Board decided he would assist with the layout and preliminary work. He would not be involved with the project throughout.

The Board discussed asbuilts for the project. Mr. Howe indicated, as builts will be included in the cost of the project.

Everyone at this meeting agreed Safety was a priority for this project.

ADMINISTRATIVE

Cassandra Pearce discussed the following with the Board:

1. *Mariette Ross moved and David Haskell supported accepting and signing an intent to cut for map/lot 415-031. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.*
2. *Mariette Ross moved and David Haskell supported approving and signing an agreement and release for building on map/lot 405-014. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.*



3. *Mariette Ross moved and David Haskell supported signing a land use change tax warrant for map/lots 214-001 & 214-002 in the amount of \$11,250. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.*
4. *Mariette Ross moved and David Haskell supported acceptance of the 2006 holiday schedule for the Town of Tamworth. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.*
5. *Mariette Ross moved and David Haskell supported approval of a building permit for map/lot 203-009. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.*
6. John Roberts questioned if a property owner in South Tamworth had applied for a building permit. Mrs. Pearce indicated she would check the records to see if a building permit has been applied for.
7. Mrs. Pearce discussed Lakeside Security's billing for the year 2006. The consensus of the Board was to pay the \$246.
8. The Board signed an application to the KA Brett School to use their facility for Town Meeting on March 18, 2006.
9. *Mariette Ross moved and David Haskell supported accepting and signing a timber tax warrant in the amount of \$2325.81. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.*
10. *Mariette Ross moved and David Haskell supported acceptance of a blind exemption for map/lot 216-267. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.*
11. *Mariette Ross moved and David Haskell supported approved of veteran's tax credits for property owners of maps/lots 407-001, 206-033, 216-198, 211-014-044, 404-012, 212-043, 403-013, 211-014-045, 201-056, 206-089, 414-061, 206-077, and 211-014-033. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.*
12. *Mariette Ross moved and David Haskell supported denying a veteran's tax credit applied for map/lot 201-006. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.*
13. The Board discussed comp time for personnel within the Town Office. The Board authorized comp time to be accrued to 80 hours.
14. The Board discussed the recommendation from the safety committee to adopt a seat belt policy for the Town employees. After much discussion *Mariette Ross moved and David Haskell supported approval of a seatbelt policy for Town employees as presented. Vote was: Haskell, Yes, Ross, Yes, Roberts, No. Motion passed.*
15. *Mariette Ross moved and David Haskell supported acceptance of the Local Government's Wage & Classification Study for the Town of Tamworth employees. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.*
16. Mrs. Pearce was requested to contact the Town of Gilford to see what they have for an evaluation policy on employees. Mrs. Pearce indicated she had sent an email, but would follow up on this policy.
17. The Board discussed an RSA for Conflict of Interest. Mrs. Pearce advised that Town Attorney had indicated the Town did not need to adopt this RSA, it just needed to follow the guidelines of bidding out



- any project which would cost more than \$200 and an elected official would be providing the service or product.
18. The Board was advised they would be meeting with the Mt. Washington Valley Chamber of Commerce at the meeting next week.
 19. Mrs. Pearce indicated the Board received authorization from the Town in 2000 to sell property, but have not received authorization to purchase property. The Board requested the 2006 warrant contain an article to purchase property.
 20. The Board discussed work at the South Tamworth Fire Station and property that was being donated to the Town from an abutter.
 21. The Board requested John Roberts review the property of Ron & Heidi Moore to see what can be done about the drainage problem.
 22. The Board reviewed the Health Insurance rates from Schoolcare and the Local Government Center. After a review of the rates and benefits offered; *Mariette Ross moved and David Haskell supported accepting the rates and an 8% increase offered from Schoolcare for the year 2006 – 2007. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.*
 23. David Haskell questioned what happens with the Highway Block Grant funds that come into the Town. Anne Abear advised the funds are revenues received by the Town, but are also budgeted expenditures under the highway department.
 24. John Roberts discussed the amount of sand used in the parking lot of the Town Office. A recommendation is to use salt only on the parking lot.
 25. David Haskell presented equipment rental prices he received from the State of NH. The Board reviewed these rates and were advised by Mrs. Pearce that the rates of the highway department have not been increased as of yet for the 2006 year.

RECESS

Mariette Ross recessed the meeting at 4:03 p.m. The Board will meet at 10:00 a.m. at Brox Pit.

RECONVENE

Present were David Haskell, John Roberts, Bruce Robinson, Steve Solomon and David Bowles.

Members of the Board listed above met at Brox pit on Chocorua Road to discuss a proposal to be presented to Brox Industries on how much land the Town would like to purchase for the purpose of placing a Highway Garage and Fire Station onto. The Board will decide at a later date whether 15 acres will be adequate for the needs of the Town or if the Board would like to consider purchasing the entire parcel of land.

ADJOURNMENT

John Roberts moved and David Haskell supported adjourning the meeting at 10:47 a.m. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

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Respectfully submitted,
Anne M. Abear

Approved by Board:

Mariette Ross

David Haskell

John Roberts