

**Town of Tamworth
Board of Selectmen's Meeting
February 22, 2007
Tamworth Town Office**

Members Present:

Chairman John Roberts, Selectman Tom Abugelis and Selectman William Farnum

Others Present:

Cassandra Pearce, Tina Glidden, Bruce Robinson, Mary Mills and members of the public.

Chairman John Roberts called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.

Department Heads

Highway

Bruce Robinson told the Board that the D.O.T. wants to redo the box culvert on 113 just past Page Hill. The D.O.T. wants to reroute traffic onto Page Hill Road while the construction is being done. The D.O.T. would like to meet with Bruce, Chief Dan Poirier, Chief Steve Solomon and the Board to go over what the D.O.T. has in mind. The D.O.T. had said that Mondays or Fridays are good for them to meet. If 113 just has one lane closed the construction would probably last around twelve weeks, if they shut down 113 the construction time would be cut to approximately half the time. Bruce said the D.O.T. would like to start within the next two to three weeks. The Board would like Cassandra to set up a meeting for March 9th at 9:00 a.m.

Public Comment:

Dave Haskell said the Tamworth Unitarian Universalist Church is going to allow the Veterans Memorial Committee to run off their electricity at their church for the Memorial Triangle and that they could hook up to their water as long as it is restored the same way. Dave also mentioned that the Veterans Memorial Committee is going to turn over their funds to the Trustees of the Trust Fund for perpetual care.

Mary Mills said that at election and town meeting the Veterans Memorial Committee would like to have space for a presentation to show what the committee is planning to do with the triangle. The committee would also like to have a list that people can add or correct names of veterans to so the committee can have as complete of a list as possible. Selectman William Farnum said they would have to be set up outside of the meeting and voting area. Selectman Tom Abugelis said he would rather have Chris Canfield decide. The Board does not have a problem with this and will ask Chris Canfield when he comes to meet with the Board on March 8th.

Dave Haskell told the Board that he will be amending the article for changing the name of the Veterans Triangle from "Veterans Monument Plot" to "Veterans Memorial" so that the name would be "Nellie W. Lane Fortier Memorial".

Administrative Matters

Chairman John Roberts moved and Selectman Tom Abugelis supported approval of an intent to cut for map 410 lots 6 and 31. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Chairman John Roberts moved and Selectman Tom Abugelis supported approval of the minutes of February 15. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Chairman John Roberts moved and Selectman Tom Abugelis supported approval of the non-public minutes of February 15. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Chairman John Roberts moved and Selectman Tom Abugelis supported approval of a request for an auto inspection station for Whittier Service Center. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Chairman John Roberts made a motion to sign the MS-6. Selectman Tom Abugelis seconded this motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Chairman John Roberts moved and Selectman Tom Abugelis supported approval the Town Warrant. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed. The Warrant will be posted at the Town Office, Tamworth Post Office, South Tamworth Post Office, Chocorua Post Office and the Brett School.

Cassandra received an e-mail regarding the Carbon Coalition. The Coalition would like a link from the Town web site to their web site. The Board said they would deal with it when the web site is finished.

Cassandra received a letter from the Trustees of the Trust Fund. They said that their reports are only yearly but starting in 2007 they could start giving quarterly reports. There are no minutes to give to the board. The Board said they could discuss the issues more when the Trustees meet with the Board. Cassandra will see if they can come in March 8th and if they can not make it then they will have to provide a date.

Cassandra called Kevin Gagne about the engineer plans and he told her that he overnighed the plans to Donna and we would be unable to get the plans until tomorrow. Selectman Tom Abugelis was recused during this discussion.

Selectman William Farnum mentioned that he received a call from the alarm company at 1:00 a.m. The alarm company said it was due to a blip in the phone line.

Chairman John Roberts made a motion to recess to meet with Town Council at 5:37 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 6:13

Rick Sager gave a synopsis to those present, including Mr. & Mrs. Vilbig and Jim Rines of White Mountain Survey, of what had transpired since last Thursdays meeting regarding getting Town Councils opinion of "Wetland District". Town Council gave the Board his opinion and the Board chose not to disclose that legal opinion. The Board felt the opinion could be shared, if decided, by the Planning Board or Conservation Committee whereas the Planning Board has jurisdiction over the Wetland Application, not the Board of Selectman. Ned Beecher apologized to the Board of Selectmen for e-mailing Town Council without copying the e-mail to the Board of Selectmen. He was concerned about the ordinance and forgot proper protocol. Jim Rines said he is planning to go before the Planning Board next Wednesday regarding subdivision and the applicability of the Wetlands Ordinance. Mr. Rines said he is concerned about there being no standards to meet in order to get a waiver. Mrs. Vilbig asked if the Planning Board could grant a waiver. Mr. Sager said that the Planning Board could grant a waiver and then their abutters had 30 days to appeal. Chairman John Roberts said the Board of Selectmen triggered the meeting with Mr. & Mrs. Vilbig and then White Mountain Survey. He said the Board of Selectmen should not have asked for an opinion from Town Council, the Board should have sent Mr. & Mrs. Vilbig and White Mountain Survey to the proper boards, the Board of Selectmen should not have been involved with the wetlands issue.

Ned Beecher handed the Board minutes of their February 19th meeting and introduced Bryan Berling to the Board. Chairman John Roberts commended John Mersfelded for a great job he has done with the Conservation Committee.

Pat Farley reminded everyone about the winter celebration this Saturday at the Chocorua Library.

Chairman John Roberts made a motion to go into non-public session at 6:40 p.m. per RSA 91 A: II A & C. Selectman William Farnum seconded this motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Chairman John Roberts made a motion to adjourn this non-public session at 6:50. Selectman William Farnum seconded this motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

The following was discussed during this non-public session.

1. Health and safety matter.
2. Security

Chairman John Roberts made a motion to adjourn at 6:40 p.m. Selectman William Farnum seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Tina Glidden

Approved by the Board of Selectmen

John Roberts

William Farnum

Thomas Abugelis