

Town of Tamworth
Board of Selectmen's Meeting
March 9, 2006
Town Office

PRESENT Mariette Ross, David Haskell, John Roberts

OTHERS PRESENT Steve Solomon, Cassandra Pearce, Anne Abear and members of the community.

FIRE DEPARTMENT ISSUES

Fire Chief Steve Solomon attended the meeting to discuss the land that was being given to the Town in South Tamworth, adjacent to the Fire Station. Chief Solomon indicated the land was being given to the Town for the cost of \$1 plus attorney and legal fees. The total cost of the gift is estimated at \$3,201. At this time, the Firewards have decided they will not be increasing the budget request at Town Meeting to acquire this land. If the Fire Department needs funding throughout the 2006 year they will present a request to the Board of Selectmen to withdraw funds from the Fire Department Land Fund to cover the expense.

Chief Solomon gave the Board an update on Fire Engine #1 in which some problems have been corrected on the piece of equipment, but many problems still exist. The current problem appears to be a transmission issue. Chief Solomon indicated he is requesting the manufacturer to start the 1-year warranty from the date all items have been repaired. The Board agreed this was a good idea.

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

Mrs. Cassandra Pearce discussed the following with the Board:

1. The search letters for a licensed forester have been sent out and the deadline for interested parties to express interest in this position is Friday, March 10, 2006. A letter of interest has been received from Harold Cook.
2. Mrs. Pearce announced the resignation of Harold Cook from the Conservation Commission effective the end of his term this year.
3. *Mariette Ross moved and David Haskell supported denying a request for an elderly and tax deferral received by the owner of map/lot 202-039. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.*
4. Mrs. Pearce discussed map/lot 410-015 which has been taken by tax deed. The attorney settling this estate is interested in purchasing this property back. Mrs. Pearce was requested to send a letter to this attorney indicating the amount that would be required for the repurchase of this land.
5. Mrs. Pearce questioned if the Board wished to meet with Attorney Sager prior to Town Meeting. The Board indicated they would meet with Attorney Sager only if he had questions regarding the warrant.
6. The Board discussed a prior request of Mr. Farnum to close the Transfer Station on Saturday, March 18. The Board requested Mrs. Pearce check with the Transfer Station Attendant to see if he would like to close the facility on that day.
7. The Board discussed and decided to have an open house for Terry Boewe and George Cleveland on Friday, March 17, 2006 from 2 – 4 p.m. at the Town Office. Anyone wishing to send both of these long time employees off with good wishes should stop by the Town Office during this time.

8. The Board discussed Amador River Trust property in South Tamworth in which building is taking place on the property and the owners have, after notification, failed to acquire the necessary building permit. The Board authorized the penalty of \$100 per day be administered to the property owner until the date a permit is received by the Town Office starting immediately.
9. The Transfer Station is still accepting applications for the purchase of compost bins. The bins can be ordered at the transfer station or at the Town Clerk's office.
10. *Mariette Ross moved and David Haskell supported acceptance of minutes dated March 2, 2006 as written. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.*
11. *Mariette Ross moved and David Haskell supported approval of a notice of intent to excavate for map/lot 202-009. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.*
12. *Mariette Ross moved and David Haskell supported approval of a building permit for map/lot 213-024. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.*
13. John Robert requested Bruce Robinson review the road conditions at the new subdivision known as Sokokis Pines.
14. Mrs. Pearce indicated that Mr. Mock has filed for a property tax abatement.
15. Mrs. Pearce announced that the assessing firm will begin pick up work next week (beginning 3/16/06).

TRAFFIC/ROAD POLICY

A brief discussion ensued regarding the Traffic and Road Regulations Policy. The Board decided due to the weather, that the policy would be discussed at a future meeting.

NON-PUBLIC SESSION

Mariette Ross moved and David Haskell supported at 2:29 p.m. to enter into a non-public session per RSA 91-A: 3 II c-welfare matter. The Board was polled and the vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Mariette Ross moved and David Haskell supported at 2:42 p.m. to adjourn the non-public session. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

The Board discussed a request of a resident for assistance through the Town's welfare program. No decisions were made during this non-public session.

ADJOURNMENT

Mariette Ross moved and David Haskell supported adjourning the meeting at 2:43 p.m. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

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Respectfully submitted,
Anne M. Abear

Approved by the Board:

Mariette Ross

David Haskell

John Roberts