

Town of Tamworth
Board of Selectmen's Meeting
April 20, 2006
Tamworth Town Office

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MEMBERS

PRESENT: John Roberts, Thomas Abugelis

EXCUSED: William Farnum

OTHERS PRESENT: Fire Chief Steve Solomon, Bruce Robinson, Mary Mills, Cassandra Pearce, Anne Abear and members of the community.

Chairman John Roberts opened the meeting at 5:02 p.m.

FIRE DEPARTMENT: Fire Chief Steve Solomon discussed the current status of the fire engines owned by the Town of Tamworth and the trade that did not go through for one of the vehicles. Chief Solomon indicated the Town currently has a vehicle that is a loaner and he is in the process of discussing with the Fire Wards a plan to replace fire engines in the coming years. Chief Solomon discussed leasing vehicles and indicated this problem did not occur overnight but has been ongoing for some 25 – 30 years. Chief Solomon believes updating the Master Plan will assist the Fire Department in the creation of a plan to rotate fire vehicles.

John Roberts discussed the number of calls that the area of Wonolancet receives. Chief Solomon indicated that area received approximately 12 calls in the year 2005. The Board discussed with Chief Solomon the limited size of the equipment that can be housed in Wonolancet due to the size of the building.

HIGHWAY DEPT.: Road Agent Bruce Robinson inquired about the meeting to be set up with Lakes Region Water Company to discuss the work that was done on Main Street. Mrs. Pearce advised that meeting has not been set up as of yet. John Roberts advised Mr. Robinson would be notified when that meeting would be.

John Roberts inquired about the items being dumped or placed beside the road near Fowler's Mill Road. Mr. Robinson advised he was aware of the situation.

Mrs. Pearce discussed an email received from NH DOT advising no money for the Chocorua Community Project would be released due to the bridges not being properly posted in Tamworth. Mrs. Pearce advised the bridges did get posted and the signs get removed or stolen. Mr. Robinson advised he has reposted the bridges as required and Mrs. Pearce advised pictures have been emailed to the State advising them the signs have been replaced.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Mr. Tom Peters inquired about the meeting to be set up with Donna Lane to discuss the Chocorua Project. Mrs. Pearce stated Donna Lane had been on vacation and was expected back this week.

David Haskell advised the Class VI Road Study Committee will be meeting on the 4th Tuesday of each month at the Cook Library at 7:00 p.m. The first meeting is scheduled for April 26, 2006.

ADMINISTRATION:

Mrs. Cassandra Pearce discussed the following with the Board and decisions were made as follows:

1. The Board announced property owners who submitted their inventory forms, which were received or postmarked through April 18, 2006, would not be penalized for the 2006 tax year due to the hours of the Town Office and the due date falling on a Saturday. Inventories forms for properties received or postmarked on or after April 19, 2006 will receive a penalty for filing late.
2. Mrs. Pearce read a letter addressed to the owners of the RV Resort that is being constructed in South Tamworth. This letter was written by the Conservation Commission notifying the owner of a possible violation and that they have been reported to the State the possibility of a violation and a recommendation for the State to review the property.
3. The Board reviewed a letter received from Catherine and Eric Amador regarding the building penalty that was assessed on their South Tamworth property for not timely filing a building permit. Further, Mrs. Pearce advised Mr. and Mrs. Amador have contacted the Town's legal counsel to discuss this penalty due to the cost to the rest of the taxpayers. The Board advised they felt the penalty should remain and the Board would not authorize the Town's legal counsel to get involved in this situation at this time. The Board requested Mrs. Pearce create a letter to Mr. & Mrs. Amador indicating the decision of the Board.
4. Mrs. Pearce discussed a letter received from FST (Chocorua Project Engineers) regarding the historic preservation review contract. Mrs. Pearce advised the engineers are recommending a contract with Lynn Monroe be established for this work. Further, the State has been notified and does not have a problem with Ms. Monroe conducting this work. The Board agreed with this recommendation.
5. Bearcamp Valley School sent a letter to the Selectmen requesting the release of ½ of their \$15,500 year 2006 appropriation now and the remaining in July. The Board authorized the release of those funds.
6. The Board reviewed and approved the most recent revision to the Best Management Practice flier for the disposal of light bulbs.
7. *John Roberts moved and Thomas Abugelis supported the assessing contract for the year 2006 (2nd year of a 5 year contract) with Commerford, Nieder and Perkins. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.*
8. *John Roberts moved and Thomas Abugelis supported approval of an intent to cut for map/lot 217-023-002. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.*
9. *John Roberts moved and Thomas Abugelis supported approval of an intent to cut for map/lot 218-122-000. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.*
10. *Thomas Abugelis moved and John Roberts supported approval of an intent to cut for map/lots 421-001, 421-002, and 421-005. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.*

11. *Thomas Abugelis moved and John Roberts supported approval of the minutes dated April 13, 2006 as written. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.*
12. *John Roberts moved and Thomas Abugelis supported acceptance of private road waivers for map/lots 213-047 and 213-031. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.*
13. *John Roberts moved and Thomas Abugelis supported acceptance of building permits for map/lots 213-047 and 213-031. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.*
14. *John Roberts moved and Thomas Abugelis supported acceptance of building permits for maps/lots 406-001 and 410-018. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.*
15. *Thomas Abugelis moved and John Roberts supported acceptance of elderly exemptions for the owners of maps/lots 211-014-003, 214-161, 206-054, 410-001, 415-090-015, and 211-014-027. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.*
16. *Thomas Abugelis moved and John Roberts supported acceptance of a veteran's tax credit for the owner of map/lot 211-014-027. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.*
17. *Thomas Abugelis thanked Mrs. Pearce for the work she does preparing this information for the Board of Selectmen.*
18. *The Board decided they would discuss the Welfare Department and the project list when Mr. Farnum returns from vacation.*

ADJOURNMENT

John Roberts moved and Thomas Abugelis supported adjourning the meeting at 5:45 p.m. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,
Anne M. Abear

Approved by the Board of Selectmen

John Roberts

William Farnum

Thomas Abugelis