

**Members Present:** John Roberts, William Farnum, and Thomas Abugelis

**Others Present:** Police Chief Daniel Poirier, Fire Chief Steve Solomon, Road Agent Bruce Robinson, Treasurer Mary Mills, Cassandra Pearce, Anne Abear and many members of the public.

*John Roberts called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.*

The Board discussed the agenda request of Lloyd Dahmen of Club Motorsports and indicated that he and Jim Hoenscheid are in traffic and may not be available until 6:00 p.m. Mr. Farnum discussed the number of people that could be held within the Town Office conference room and advised it may be better to put the meeting with Club Motorsports off until May 11, 2006 when more people could attend if they wished. This meeting would be held at the School. Thomas Abugelis agreed with Mr. Farnum and stated May 11, 2006 would work for him. Ms. Sam Martin advised she would notify Mr. Dahmen and Mr. Hoenscheid and would advise the Board. After a telephone conversation with Mr. Dahmen, Ms. Martin advised they are proceeding to this meeting and are expected to be present at about 6:00 p.m.

**Police Department:** Chief Poirier advised the testing for new officers will take place on Saturday, May 29 at the Brett School with a potential of 28 applicants interested in the positions open in Carroll County.

Chief Poirier advised Tamworth's Sergeant Frank Suprenard has been out of work taking care of his wife who was admitted into the hospital for gallbladder surgery. Chief Poirier advised Mrs. Suprenard was doing well.

Chief Poirier advised he was waiting for the signage to come in and be put up around Chocorua Lake. Further, the new tickets have been proofed and will arrive in the coming week.

**Fire Department:** Chief Solomon discussed a program for fire protection that the area of Ski & Beach has joined to protect their community. Chief Solomon indicated he met with representatives of this organization along with Ranger Robert Boyd of the State and Ski and Beach will be the first community in the State to join.

Chief Solomon discussed two used fire trucks that will be looked at for the Tamworth Fire Department. Further, if the fire department decides to purchase one of these vehicles, they will request an immediate check for payment. Thomas Abugelis questioned how Chief Solomon had found these trucks for sale. Chief Solomon advised the Internet has brokers who discuss trucks for sale online.

**Highway Department:** Bruce Robinson advised the signs for Chocorua Lake area have been ordered and discussed the increase in fuel costs which are causing the cost of asphalt to increase. Mr. Robinson stated he would be contacting 2 companies to lock in prices for paving projects he plans to put forward this year. The roads proposed for 2006 are Old Route 25, Maple Road and Ossipee Lake Road (needs a top coat only).

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Scott Aspinall questioned work to be done on Cleveland Hill Road, asking if the State planned on doing any work on that area. Mr. Robinson advised he was unaware of any work scheduled but would check with the State.

Bruce Robinson advised one complete bridge has arrived and the hardware for the remaining two bridges have arrived.

**Other Business:**

Bruno Siniscalchi requested the Board consider reinstating the pledge of allegiance at the beginning of each meeting. John Roberts advised the Board made a decision to stop this practice. Mr. Siniscalchi advised he felt that action to be un-American.

**Treasurer:**

Mrs. Mary Mills presented new signature cards for the Board to sign for banks that are used by the Town.

**Administration  
Part I:**

Mrs. Cassandra Pearce presented the following for the Board to review:

1. John Roberts announced that the review of the Guy Pennell's junkyard was found to be in compliance for regarding the Town's issuance of a permit.
2. *John Roberts moved and Thomas Abugelis supported approval of a private road waiver and building permit for map/lot 211-029. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.*
3. *John Roberts moved and Thomas Abugelis supported approval of the April 20, 2006 minutes as written. Vote was: Roberts, Yes, Abugelis, Yes, Farnum, Abstain. Motion passed.*
4. *John Roberts moved and William Farnum supported approval of the 2005 MS-5 Annual Financial Report. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.*
5. *William Farnum moved and John Roberts supported approval of a building permit for map/lot 415-097. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.*
6. John Mersfelder expressed a concern of Club Motorsports or any other organization being placed on the agenda without an indication of what they were coming to talk about. Further, Mr. Mersfelder indicated neither he nor the Conservation Commission would allow this to happen to the Selectmen or the Conservation Commission.

**Conservation Commission  
Appointments:**

Ned Beecher and John Mersfelder of the Conservation Commission attended the meeting to recommend appointments to the Conservation Commission. The process for selection of individuals was explained and Mr. Mersfelder indicated it was the same process that was used last year for selection.

*William Farnum moved and Thomas Abugelis supported appointing individuals to the Conservation Commission as recommended by the Conservation Commission:*

<i>Full Membership:</i>	<i>C. Scott Aspinall</i>	<i>Term Exp. 2009</i>
	<i>Donna Veilleux</i>	<i>Term Exp. 2007</i>
<i>Alternates:</i>	<i>Charles Greenhalgh</i>	<i>Term Exp. 2007</i>
	<i>David Haskell</i>	<i>Term Exp. 2009</i>
	<i>Brian Berlind</i>	<i>Term Exp. 2009</i>

*Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.*

## **Class VI Road Study**

Thomas Abugelis complimented David Haskell for taking on the task needed with the Class VI Road Study and the importance of the study. David Haskell indicated the 1<sup>st</sup> meeting was held on April 24 and the committee is working on a database.

## **Administration**

### **Part II:**

Mrs. Cassandra Pearce continued discussions with the Board on the following:

1. An extension letter request that was received for operation 05-443-22 T was discussed. *William Farnum moved and John Roberts supported sending a letter of denial to Greenleaf Products for the extension request as the deadline for filing an extension request is March 31. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.*
2. *John Roberts moved and Thomas Abugelis supported approval of intents to excavate for maps/lots 413-013 and 206-041. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.*
3. *John Roberts moved and William Farnum supported approval of intents to cut for maps/lots 403-022 and 402-002. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.*
4. *William Farnum moved and John Roberts supported approval of a veteran's tax credit for the owner of map/lot 410-100. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.*
5. *William Farnum moved and John Roberts supported approval of a veteran's tax credit for the owner of map/lot 420-042. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.*
6. *William Farnum moved and Thomas Abugelis supported approval of a gravel tax warrant in the amount of \$1,986.55. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.*
7. *William Farnum moved and John Roberts supported a timber tax warrant in the amount of \$3,165.57. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.*

## **Club Motorsports**

Members of the Club Motorsports (CMI) organization (Lloyd Dahmen, President and Jim Hoenscheid, Vice President) attended the meeting to introduce themselves to the community of Tamworth and indicated they were the new management of Club Motorsports. Mr. Dahmen advised the new management has a very different style than what the prior management had, further indicating that he and Mr. Hoenscheid had many internal changes that were being worked on. Mr. Dahmen felt the first priority was to reduce the animosity brought to the Town by CMI. Further, stating that communication between the Town and CMI must be more open on both sides.

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CMI representatives discussed the publishing of the operating plan that indicated the business being built was not a spectator sport, not a night sport, and hoped that when the track is built it would create jobs and assist in the tax base of the Town. Further, Mr. Dahmen discussed creating a Tamworth Development Fund where 5% of the net earnings up to \$100,000 would be set-aside for the Town to use for equipment purchases, road repairs or whatever the Town feels the money should be used for.

Mr. Dahmen discussed the need to get beyond all of the impasses and the only way to do this is to sit down and talk, exploring the issues that need to be discussed and reach a mutual agreements.

Mr. Dahmen discussed noise being an area that needs to be discussed. Mr. Dahmen believed the recent ordinance that was passed was limited to CMI's type of facility only. Further, Mr. Dahmen discussed decibel levels of cars, trucks and motorcycles and how speed can effect the noise of all of these vehicles. Mr. Dahmen indicated the levels that were set by the Town are not acceptable to his organization.

Mr. Dahmen advised CMI would be applying to the Planning Board for necessary permits as required.

Susan Colton discussed decibels and advised it was not the levels of noise that effect people it is the pitch and levels of exposure that effect a person's hearing.

Kate Vachon and Steve Maxner questioned what levels would be appropriate for CMI to run their business? An indication was given by Mr. Dahmen of 99 dB at 50 feet, during limited times.

Scott Aspinall discussed the Tamworth Foundation donating funding to educate the residents of Tamworth on all of these items. Mr. Aspinall indicated the proposed project of CMI would lessen the value of his property due to the noise.

Donna Veilleux spoke of the demographic process the Town used to pass the racetrack and noise ordinance and stated the residents of Tamworth need the respect of CMI who should say it like it is.

Lois Maxner discussed the rock crusher business that is near her home that creates a tremendous amount of noise and it was determined that the Town can do nothing about the noise created by that business.

Susan Ticehurst advised she was glad CMI had attended this meeting, but felt they had insulted the intelligence of the Tamworth people. Further, Ms. Ticehurst advised she felt it was a good idea to sit down and listen to both sides in an open forum. Mr. Dahmen advised CMI welcomed the idea of listening and would be happy to be available at any time.

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Kate Vachon advised the noise ordinance decibel levels were set by a group of educated members of a committee chaired by a former Selectman Lanette Goodson.

Willie Farnum, John Roberts and Thomas Abugelis all advised they as Selectmen must take into consideration the laws on the books of the Town and must follow through with them as that is the wishes of the Town.

**Recess:**

*John Roberts recessed the meeting at 6:42 p.m.*

**Reconvene:**

*John Roberts called the meeting back to order at 6:46 p.m.*

**Tax Acquired  
Property:**

Allie Burke attended the meeting to discuss the desired purchase of a piece of land that was taken by tax deed known as 408-069-000. The Board advised they would be reviewing the properties that are owned by the Town in the coming year and requested Ms. Burke watch the local papers to see what is being sold either by bid or auctions. David Haskell recommended placing Ms. Burke on the list of Board Meeting Minute recipients.

John Roberts indicated the best time to watch the papers would be late summer, early fall.

A recommendation was made to Ms. Burke to send periodic letters to the Board to remind them of her desire to purchase the land.

**Administration  
Part III:**

Mrs. Pearce discussed the following with the Board:

1. The 2006 swim program bus contracts. Mr. Abugelis asked if the bus company did queries on the individual drivers. Mrs. Pearce advised the drivers must have a School Bus Driver's Certification that may require special queries.  
*John Roberts moved and Thomas Abugelis supported to sign the 2006 First Student Transportation Agreement for the Swim Program. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.*
2. A letter from the State of NH Department of Revenue Administration was received and disbursed regarding Excavation in Tamworth under RSA 155-E and RSA 485-A:17 Compliance.
3. Mrs. Pearce announced the resignation of Ruth Halpin as Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector effective May 9, 2006 and informed the Board an advertisement has gone out for a replacement.
4. The Board requested Mrs. Pearce place the Board's project list as an agenda item on the May 4, 2006 agenda.

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5. Mr. Farnum discussed a letter he requested be brought to this meeting regarding the need for an alternate to the Transportation Enhancement Committee be selected. Mrs. Pearce indicated she did not bring the letter because she was checking with the current alternate to see if he was still interested.
6. The Board discussed the junkyards in Town and Mr. Farnum advised he recommends the Board review all of the junkyards at once, not just a few.
7. John Roberts discussed the access door that was placed up last fall at the end of the building to access the furnaces at the Town Office. The Board decided the door should be painted the same as the siding of the building.
8. Thomas Abugelis discussed his upcoming meeting with Conway's Welfare Director to review the procedures of a welfare case and its handling. That meeting will be held on May 2 at 2pm. Mr. Abugelis indicated he would bring back information for the Board to review at the next meeting.
9. A discussion ensued of the pay for the previous welfare director. Anne Abear advised the former director made \$10/hour when she was placed into that position and at some point throughout the 9 years of her service, the rate was increased to \$20/hour.
10. Mrs. Pearce discussed the staff having Friday, April 28 off. The Board approved this request.

**Public Input:**

1. Donna Veilleux thanked the Board for their actions and statements earlier in the meeting with CMI in which they indicated they would uphold the laws on the books at this time and the wishes of the Town's people. Thomas Abugelis thanked John Roberts for his work as Chairperson during that portion of this meeting. Additionally, Mr. Abugelis discussed the calls he received from residents indicating he should sit quietly during this meeting and not ask questions. Mr. Abugelis advised all that sitting quietly was not why he was elected to office, he was elected to work toward the betterment of Tamworth and not to sit quietly during these meeting.
2. Bruno Siniscalchi advised two separate assessors had visited one residence in the past week and expressed a concern of this taking place. Mrs. Pearce asked for the property addresses and advised she would check with the assessor.
3. Bruno Siniscalchi discussed the Board setting a start and end time to the meetings which would let the residents of Tamworth know they can come to a meeting of the Board at that time. John Roberts stated the Board has been running over for most of the meetings it has had but, if someone needed to meet with the Board they could call ahead of time and the Board would wait to speak to them.

**Adjournment**

*John Roberts moved and Thomas Abugelis supported adjourning the meeting at 7:23 p.m. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.*

Town of Tamworth  
Board of Selectmen  
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Respectfully submitted,  
Anne M. Abear

Approved by Board of Selectmen

John Roberts

William Farnum

Thomas Abugelis