

Town of Tamworth
Board of Selectmen's Meeting
August 7, 2008
Town Office

PRESENT: William Farnum, John Roberts, Cassandra Pearce, Daniel Poirier, Bruce Robinson and many members of the community.

CALL TO ORDER: *Chairman William Farnum called the meeting to order at 4:33 p.m.*

POLICE CHIEF Chief Poirier distributed his Police log for the month of July. The Board reviewed the log and discussed it briefly. Chief Poirier then introduced Joe Merrill of Pinetree Power. Chief Poirier asked him to come in regarding the numerous complaints he has received regarding the new noise coming from the plant. Mr. Merrill explained to the Board that due to the new emissions control upgrade at the plant a "fog horn" type device goes off about every 5 minutes. Different plants have done the upgrades but not wood burning plants, which unfortunately creates a different effect on the system creating a blockage which only the loud noise can vibrate loose. He assures all that the engineers are working hard on a different solution and until that time the hours for operating this emissions control system has lessened to elevate some of the grief it has caused all. The Board thanked him for coming into address the issue. Mr. Graham of Foothills Campground was in to express his concerns of the noise issue and the impact it will have on his business. Mr. Merrill is trying to address the issue and will be back in two weeks to update the Board on the progress on mitigating the situation.

ROAD AGENT: Bruce informed the Board he has ordered the yield signs, and the load limit signs. LRPC will be working in Town on the list of Roads and the condition of each. He ordered and received the parts manual for the Town owned broom/sweeper, and will be getting a quote on fixing it. The Board asked Bruce about the status of Judith Reardon's driveway, Ron Moore's Driveway, Sand Sealing, and if he knew where the line was for the Town/State on Cleveland Hill by Remick's. Bruce informed the Board the he has not; due to the rain we have been receiving, been able to address Reardon or Moore's driveway. He asked the Sand seal company to fax the quote here, which has not been received yet. He is unaware of the actual line for the State and the Town at Remick's but is willing to fix the holes. Selectmen Roberts expressed his opinion that he would rather Reardon's driveway get paved than the holes being patched since we

are not even sure it is ours to maintain. Ms. Reardon has been waiting over a year.

HEB

Jay Poulin of HEB was in to discuss the Gas Monitors at the landfill and the monitoring options. Jay informed the Board the replacement monitor was in the works and that they were notifying dig safe at this time. He will contact Bruce when the installation is scheduled to retrieve any parts from the monitor that was removed for reusable pieces. He then went over the option of training a Town employee to do some of the monitoring to alleviate some of the current costs. The Board will discuss and consider the option and get back to HEB.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

No Public Comment.

ENERGY COMMITTEE:

Donna Veilleux was in to address the Board on behalf of the Energy Committee. They are working on a second grant that they would like to bring back to the Board for review on September 4th. They are working on addressing the idling issues and would like to receive the Boards support on no idling signs at the post office, landfill and other locations in Town. They would like to include the fact the Board of Selectmen supports on the concept. The Board gave their consensus approval and support of No idling. Willie will meet with Donna V. Donna K. regarding streetlights. It was stated that household hazardous waste day was a big success. Donna expressed an interest that if the Board could enter into an agreement between Fairpoint or PSNH to obtain any wood from the roadside trimming that the landowners do not want for the needy in Town that the energy committee will come up with the volunteers to take care of the wood. The Board will look into it and get back to them. The Board thanked Donna for coming in and for all her efforts.

PUBLIC HEARING

Land Purchase:

The public hearing was opened at 6:03 p.m. Chairman Farnum explained to the public the events to date leading up to this hearing and that it is the Havelock property on 113A (8.4 acres) that the Town is interested in purchasing for \$100,000. The public present reviewed the map of the property asked about the frontage, which was calculated at about 874'. Try to keep a 50' buffer on 113A, however the three big pines will have to go for site purposes. Two acres is what the Town is looking at clearing at this time to set up the Highway garage end of things. A building committee has been working on the building plans. The Town will be contracting a logger/forester to clear the 2-acre site.

Motion was made by William Farnum to close the public hearing at 6:30 P.M. Motion seconded by John Roberts and passed unanimously.

The Board deliberated on the property. Motion made by John Roberts to purchase the Havelock property. Motion seconded by Tom Abugelis and passed unanimously. (Later in the meeting it was determined that this motion was made prematurely and that the vote cannot be held until 7 days after the public hearing. The motion and vote was withdrawn by all).

HAVELOCK PROPERTY:

The Board reviewed a contract with Marshall Logging and Chipping to log the 2 acres of the property for the wood. The only cost to the Town will be \$500 for the three pine trees if they become a large problem to remove.

Motion made by William Farnum to withdraw from the capital reserve fund that was established in 2008 article 13 the sum of \$100,000 to purchase said piece of land. Motion seconded by John Roberts and passed unanimously. The check will be cut to Sager Law Trust Account and held for the closing on the property.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

The board reviewed requests from two separate non-profit organizations for waivers on dumping fees at the Transfer Station. The consensus of the Board is that all organizations need to pay as you throw as has been done in the past.

Motion made by John Roberts to sign the Selectmen's Deed for the Potenza Property. Motion seconded by Tom Abugelis and passed unanimously.

Motion made by John Roberts to approve the appointment for Libby Hauser as Deputy Town Clerk. Motion seconded by Tom Abugelis and passed unanimously.

Motion made by John Roberts to approve the building waiver on a private road for Russell Osgood on Eldridge Lane. Motion seconded by Tom Abugelis and passed unanimously.

The Board reviewed a Petition and Pole License for PSNH on Page Hill Road. Motion made by John Roberts to sign and approve. Motion seconded by Tom Abugelis and passed unanimously.

Motion made by John Roberts to approve an intent to cut for Tax Map 415 Lot 53. Motion seconded by Tom Abugelis and passed unanimously.

The Board reviewed a driveway permit for Thomas Cleveland on Brown Hill Road (no paved apron is required because it is a dirt road). *Motion made by John Roberts to approve, Motion seconded by Tom Abugelis and passed unanimously.*

Motion made by John Roberts to approve a driveway permit for Forcier on Turkey Street with a 10' paved apron. Motion seconded by Tom Abugelis and passed unanimously.

Motion made by John Roberts to approve an intent to cut for 415-007. Motion seconded by Tom Abugelis and passed unanimously.

Motion made by Tom Abugelis to approve an intent to excavate for map 217-023-003. Motion seconded by William Farnum and passed by a vote of 2-0-1 Selectmen Roberts abstaining. Copy to be sent to the planning Board.

Motion made by John Roberts to engage in a contract with Dennis Thorrell as the Timber Monitor for the Town of Tamworth for August of 08 thru August of 2009. Motion seconded by Tom Abugelis and passed unanimously.

Motion made by John Roberts to approve the minutes of 7/24/08. Motion seconded by Tom Abugelis and passed unanimously.

Motion made by John Roberts to approve the Non-public Minutes of 7/24/08. Motion seconded by Tom Abugelis and passed unanimously.

Motion made by John Roberts to approve the minutes of 7/28/08. Motion seconded by Tom Abugelis and passed unanimously.

Motion made by William Farnum to enter into a contract with George Sansoucy, PE, LLC Engineers & Appraisers to determine the appraisal for Pinetree Power. Motion seconded by John Roberts and passed unanimously.

Motion made by John Roberts to approve the Request for payment to DES for the Chocorua Project in the amount of \$500.00. Motion seconded by William Farnum and passed by a vote of 2-0-1 Selectmen Tom Abugelis abstaining.

Motion made by John Roberts to approve the request for payment to DOT for the Chocorua Project. Motion seconded by William

Farnum and passed by a vote of 2-0-1 Selectmen Tom Abugelis abstaining.

Motion made by John Roberts to enter non- public session at 8:16 p.m. under RSA 91-A: 3 II a, c & e. Motion seconded by William Farnum and passed unanimously.

No decisions were made during non-public session.

Motion made by Tom Abugelis to exit non-public at 8:52 p.m. Motion seconded by William Farnum and passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Tom Abugelis to adjourn at 8:52 p.m. Motion seconded by John Roberts and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Cassandra M. Pearce
Administrative Assistant

Approved by Board:

William W. Farnum

John E. Roberts

Tom C Abugelis