

Town of Tamworth  
Board of Selectmen's Meeting  
October 5, 2006  
Tamworth Town Office

**DRAFT**

MEMBERS  
PRESENT

John Roberts, Tom Abugelis and William Farnum

OTHERS  
PRESENT

Cassandra Pearce

*Chairman John Roberts called the meeting to order at 3:03 p.m.*

NON-PUBLIC

*Motion made by John Roberts to enter into non-public session at 3:03 p.m. under RSA 91 A:3 II d. Motion seconded by William Farnum. The Board was polled and the vote was unanimous. Motion passed.*

*John Roberts moved to adjourn the non-public session at 4:15 p.m. William Farnum supported this motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.*

The following was discussed during this non-public session:

*The Board discussed a parcel of land the Town is interested in for the CIP. No decisions were made.*

*The Board discussed the Finance Director's position. The Board decided to re-advertise the position and hire Ms. Ferland on a temporary part-time basis while the hiring processes continues.*

MISC

North Conway Incinerator Services dropped off their proposal for Hauling services. They also service Ossipee, Bartlett, Fryeburg, Bartlett, Jackson, Brownfield, and others.

Ms. Pearce informed the Board that Mr. Kimball called requesting letters of apology to the parties involved in the situation he brought before the Board on 9/22/06. Board would like Mr. Kimball's request in writing to prevent any misunderstands.

CHOCORUA  
PROJECT

FST sent an email to the Town asking for direction on the Survey for the Town property located on the corner of Rte 16 and Rte 113 in Chocorua Village. The Board would like to meet with HEB at the Site at their cost to review the plan and concerns.

Regular Session 5 p.m.:

OTHERS  
PRESENT

Cassandra Pearce, Steve Solomon, Kim Noyes, and other members of the public.

FIRE  
DEPARTMENT



Chief Solomon informed the Board that they were awarded a grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency - Assistance to Fire Fighters for Air Packs. It is a 95/5 grant so they provide \$91,750 and the Fire Department match is \$4,828 for the total of the grant, which is \$96,578.

POLICE  
DEPARTMENT

Chief Poirier was unable to attend but asked that his September Police log be distributed to the Board.

PUBLIC  
COMMENT

Mr. Chavaree was in requesting his driveway permit. The Board will ask the Road Agent for the permit for next weeks meeting.

TAX  
COLLECTOR

Kim Noyes was in to discuss with the Board the Resident tax issue. The issue of collecting the resident tax before registering a vehicle was questioned. DRA told her to check with Legal Counsel. Board gave Ms. Noyes permission to check with Town Counsel on the legal issue of pursuing the non-issuance of Motor Vehicle Registrations until the Resident Tax is paid in full.

MISC

The Board thanked Mary Mills for her assistance in the office.

ADMINISTRATION

Mrs. Cassandra Pearce discussed the following with the Board:

1. Opened hauling proposal received from Waste Management. N. Conway incinerator dropped off a proposal earlier in the meeting. The Board will review and meet with the Transfer Station Manager at the next meeting.
2. *Motion made by John Roberts to approve the non-public minutes of 9/26/06. William Farnum seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.*
3. *Motion made by John Roberts to approve the minutes of 9/26/06. Thomas Abugelis seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.*

CHOCORUA  
PROJECT

Tom Peters was in regarding the Chocorua Project. He had a number of concerns regarding the plan with FST. He discussed the original charrette, and what FST is proposing now.

Comments for Selectman from CCA Meeting

1. It was strongly suggested that Page Hill Rd be turned into a No Thru Traffic Rd, there are far too many large trucks using this



- road as a thru road to Rt. 16. There also needs a stop sign placed at the intersection of Page Hill and Chocorua Rd.
2. Parking issues on Rt. 16 have not been addressed.
  3. Address a sidewalk from Rt. 16 to Runnels Hall.
  4. There needs to be input between DOT people who have worked with the village since the beginning and the engineers. Dot knows the issues that need to be addressed.
  5. The intersection of Rt. 16 and 113 still need to be better addressed.
  6. Who will maintain the Village green spaces?
  7. Will there be any plans for wiring for future lighting in the pocket park.
  8. Where is the greenery that was in the initial request to be placed along Rt. 16?
  9. The overall design for the sidewalks does not work. We need a better design.
  10. We need to establish the time for the next meeting with the engineers ASAP.

#### WEB SITE

Pat Farley and Kate Vachon came in to talk to the Board about the Web Site. They met with Laurie Palmer earlier this week. She has done Freedom's and Freedom elementary School. Discussed different aspects of the site and different Town sites. They looked into different options for names for the Town. Costs URL = 20-25 dollars annually. 20/hr or 200 for design, survey for Master Plan would cost \$50, hosting would be donated by Merrimack Software Associates. The Town would have to purchase the software if they wish to keep it in house. Ms. Vachon assured the Board that phasing it is very easy and that it can be developed and turned over at anytime.

#### CHOCORUA PROJECT

Historical Budget – the Engineers sent an email requesting direction as Lynne Monroe stated that there are more like 75 buildings and they only budgeted for 50. The Board requested Ms. Pearce get clarification from FST/Ms. Monroe as to where these buildings are located.

#### RECESS

*Motion made by John Roberts to recess at 6:34 and will reconvene at the Fire Station for a meeting with the rescue squad and Fire Wards. Motion was seconded by William Farnum and passed unanimous.*

*The Board of Selectmen reconvened at 7:00 p.m. at the Central Fire Station.*

#### PRESENT

John Roberts, William Farnum, Thomas Abugelis, Cassandra Pearce, Chris Robinson, Robert Behr, Steve Solomon, Jeff Tavares, Lucy Bellen, and Diane Bowles.

RESCUE



Chris informed the Board of where they were at with Auto Electronics and the purchasing of a new Rescue vehicle. He stated they Rescue Squad voted not to purchase the 2006 model as they are no longer available, and the demo has been used hard.

Robert Behr stated he had been communicating with the company to work out some prices on the Demo unit.

Mathew Wright stated the 2006 chassis was not available and the 2004 model was costly for the age of it.

The minutes of the rescue squad meeting of 10/2/06 where shown to the Board, item #6 which stated that a vote was taken not purchase the 2004 demo truck from Auto Electronics.

Chris has taken input from members for needs for the Rescue Truck. Discussed ideal situation being an ambulance and then a 1-ton for equipment.

Board asked about run statistics. Seems that the medical calls are what is increasing.

John informed the Rescue he appreciated them including the Board in the process, and although he hopes we can save money for the Town he feels the Squad knows best as to what is needed for a vehicle and hopes we purchase the right vehicle that will last for a while.

*At 7:31 the Board left the Rescue meeting and joined the Fire Wards meeting.*

PRESENT:

John Roberts, William Farnum, Thomas Abugelis, Cassandra Pearce, Steve Solomon, David Bowles, Milton Norcross, and Harry Remick.

John stated Steve mentioned to the Board that he might be able to do the Building Inspection. David Bowles stated the Town needs someone to respond to complaints. In order to enforce the State Building Codes they have to be adopted. Once the Town adopts them, the Town is responsible for all aspects of the position, review of plans and issuance of permits, inspection of the work authorized by the building permits, and issuance of appropriate use and occupancy certificates.

Asked for opinion of the Wards for need for an inspector.

Discussed different cost issues, pros and cons of position, and permitting requirements. Pro's : Safety, Consumer Protection, Improves "housing stock", in theory, better housing stock improves tax rate, Building code enforcement effects ISO protection class, and Costs commonly are offset by permit fees



(zero impact on tax rate). Cons: Regulatory control on private property and costs.

Jim Bowles Present at 7:51 p.m.

Continued to discuss the need for the position and the need to be on the same page if the Boards are serious about bringing this before Town Meeting.

Shawn Bross was present at 8:00 p.m.

ICC Building Certification class is recommended, however no qualifications are required.

Diane Bowles present at 8:06 p.m.

Jim stated he does not feel it is going to go over well, therefore he didn't feel it should come from the Fire Department; there is a lot to the position.

It would be more than Steve could do on his own; if in fact they adopt the codes and proceed with all aspects as required.

Shawn feels something needs to be done from what he has seen out there lately.

Milton hates to have to spend the money.

Harry feels something should be done, but isn't sure the town's people are ready or would except the idea.

At 8:29 the Wards and Board ended the discussion on the Building inspector and began discussing the fire tower out back of the Town Office Building.

Discussed condition of the Tower, the cost of moving it to the South Tamworth Station, the want and desire to use it for training. Jim stated after talking about it, they feel the cost would be too great to move it, make it structurally sound for training, and therefore would be up for discussion on best way to dispose of it. Did talk with OME about using it as a tower for antennas and possibly selling it for such. Mr. Farnum said if they could sell it for an antenna tower to go ahead and sell it but if not dispose of it. He is concerned with the liability and safety concerns.

They will let us know what they decide.

Land over at South Tamworth Station. Talked with Lawyer about access through property for logging on the property behind the station and that the property has to be left in the shape it was found or better.

ADJOURNMENT *John Roberts moved and William Farnum supported to adjourn the meeting at 8:54 p.m. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.*

Respectfully submitted,  
Cassandra M. Pearce

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Approved by the Board of Selectmen

John Roberts

William Farnum

Thomas C. Abugelis