

**Town of Tamworth
Board of Selectmen's Meeting
May 22, 2014
Town Office**

3 PM MEETING

BOARD MEMBERS

PRESENT: Jim Hidden, Steve Gray & John Roberts

OTHERS

PRESENT: Town Administrator Cassandra Pearce

Selectman Roberts called the meeting to order at 3:05

ADMINISTRATION: The Board approved and signed the following items:

- An application for a business link to the Town's website for Joseph Shanks Electric.
- An abatement for Tax Map 203-038-000 in the amount of \$112.00
- An abatement for Tax Map 411-055-000 in the amount of \$502.00
- An abatement for Tax Map 218-090-000 in the amount of \$722.00
- An abatement for Tax Map 405-009-000 in the amount of \$3630.00
- An Intent to Cut for Tax Map 211 lots 52.5, 52.6 & 52.7
- An Intent to Cut for Tax Map 203 lots 13 & 14
- A Veterans tax credit for Tax Map 214-168-000
- A Veterans tax credit for Tax Map 202-071-000
- A Veterans tax credit for Tax Map 404-032-000
- A Veterans tax credit for Tax Map 201-049-000
- A Veterans tax credit for Tax Map 211-014-025
- Denied a Veterans tax credit for 203-020-000
- A Blind Exemption for Tax Map 214-168-000
- A Solar Exemption for Tax Map 402-004-000
- A Solar Exemption for Tax Map 213-040-000
- A Solar Exemption for Tax Map 413-018-000
- A Solar Exemption for Tax Map 206-039-000
- A Property Tax Warrant for the first issue of 2014 taxes in the amount of Three million five hundred nineteen thousand nine hundred twenty eight dollars and no cents (\$3,519,928.00).
- An Application for Current use for Tax Map 415-096-000
- A Current Use Change Tax Warrant in the amount of \$1,200.00
- A Current Use Change Tax Warrant in the amount of \$760.00
- A Current Use Change Tax Warrant in the amount of \$4,000.00
- A Yield Tax Warrant for zero dollars closing out two intents on property that was not cut on, or was for personal use only.
- A Yield Tax Warrant in the amount of \$3,941.87

- A Yield Tax Warrant in the amount of \$4,275.49
- A Yield Tax Warrant in the amount of \$1,761.89
- A Yield Tax Warrant in the amount of \$2,025.30
- A letter for the SPNHF (Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests) indicating that the Board is unaware of any hazardous waste or materials on Map 414 Lot 17.

Motion made by Selectman Hidden to approve and sign the minutes of May 08, 2014. Motion was seconded by Selectman Gray and passed unanimously.

Motion made by Selectman Hidden to approve and sign the non-public minutes of May 08, 2014. Motion was seconded by Selectman Gray and passed unanimously.

Motion made by Selectman Hidden to approve and sign the minutes of May 12, 2014. Motion was seconded by Selectman Gray and passed unanimously.

Motion made by Selectman Hidden to approve and sign the non-public minutes of May 12, 2014. Motion was seconded by Selectman Gray and passed unanimously.

Motion made by Selectman Hidden to approve & sign the accounts payable manifest in the amount of \$258,215.82. Motion was seconded by Selectman Gray and passed unanimously.

Motion made by Selectman Hidden to approve & sign the accounts payable check register in the amount of \$258,215.82. Motion was seconded by Selectman Gray and passed unanimously.

Motion made by Selectman Hidden to approve & sign a payroll manifest in the amount of \$17,837.62 with authorization for a transfer in the amount of \$11,688.69 for a direct deposit (included in this amount), and an additional transfer of \$5,365.11 to be transferred for the Federal tax deposit (not included in the amount above). Motion was seconded by Selectman Gray and passed unanimously.

Discussed the request presented at the last meeting from Tom Gilligan for the Towns Tax Maps and tax list so they can update the GPS data. The Board is agreeable to sell the maps if he wishes to purchase them through Cartographics (CAI). They will sell the tax data as they do others at \$50.00 if he is interested.

Discussed the letter from LRPC (Lakes Region Planning Commission) presented at the last meeting requesting 2-3 individuals to serve on an audit team for a road safety audit for Route 16. If willing, the Board has chosen David Bowles, David Farley and John Gotjen to represent Tamworth on this team.

Judith Reardon and Peter Smart have requested the key to the water spout at the Bio-retention area. They would like to know if it works or if it has ever worked, and if the Board/Town cares whether or not it stays there. Their intention is to demolish the building which is where the electric and pump are for this spout. The Board discussed the use and the fact that the water spout was working when the Bio-retention area was

established because it was used to water the area. The Board does not wish to give up the easement or the use of the water spout. According to the deed the easement runs in perpetuity with the property they purchased. The Board is agreeable to have a second key made so that they also have access to use the water, but the Town does not wish to give up the rights or use of the system.

Discussed the scheduling of the Town House for meetings and other usage. Notices were sent out to all departments and committees and there has been some negative feedback.

4 PM MEETING

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OTHERS

PRESENT: Town Administrator Cassandra Pearce, Police Chief Dan Poirier, Fire Chief Richard Colcord, Town Clerk/Tax Collector Kim Trammell, Bruno Siniscalchi, John Gotjen, John & Kathy Dyrenforth, John Wheeler, Pat & Dave Farley, Rosalind Gray, Ruth Timchak, Kent Schneider, John Wacker, Sharon Nothnagle, and Sam Martin.

DEPARTMENT HEADS:

Chief Poirier: Stated he had nothing to report but mentioned that Kent Schneider had approached him about Runnells Hall and was here to discuss it with the Board. Mr. Schneider discussed October fest in Chocorua Village and the possibility of putting a tent up Friday Morning across Runnells Hall Road and taking it down on Tuesday. This would make Runnells Hall impassable from Friday until Tuesday. The Board would be ok with it as long as Town is not responsible for the tent, however, Selectman Roberts stated the approval needs to come from the State as it is technically a State road.

Kim Trammell, TC/TX: Asked the Board if they were going to be changing the location of the polling place. She needs to start posting the September primary and wanted to indicate the correct location. Primary is Tuesday Sept 9th. The Board would like it to be moved to the school at this time. She also noted that the Supervisors of the Checklist had already sent out 30 day notices and referenced this building for Tuesday June 3rd from 7-7:30 as the location of their meeting. The Board stated they could still use this building for that session.

Chief Colcord: spoke with the Board regarding the issue with the current Forest Fire Warden. People are upset about not being able to get fire permits or access to the Warden. He has not been available or returning calls. Chief Colcord is asking the Selectmen to recommend to the State that Warden Norcross be removed from the position and either he or Dan Teryek be recommended as the new Forest Fire Warden.

Motion was made by Selectman Roberts to recommend to the State to remove Milton Norcross as Tamworth's Forest Fire Warden. Motion second by Selectman Hidden and passed unanimously.

Motion made by Selectman Roberts to recommend the appointment of Chief Colcord to be the new Forest Fire Warden for Tamworth. Motion seconded by Selectman Hidden and passed unanimously.

PUBLIC

COMMENT:

John Gotjen has a written request for information for items to do with the Chocorua Village Project. He would like to know about change orders, what funds remain and asked about the key to the spout at the bio retention area. It was verified that what he is looking for on the accounting is for this portion of the grant only which is for the \$965,000.00 only.

FREEDOM

COMPUTER:

Joel Clement of Freedom Computer was in to address the Board about the current situation with the way the Town is running backups on the network. He explained the Carbonite backup (cloud) system to the Selectmen. Data is password protected and encrypted. Cost of the program is \$799.00 per year. The Board agreed to purchase the Carbonite software program to do the backup. Joel then explained the log me in program which the Assessor is requesting to use in order to complete the Statistical update. Selectman Roberts is not in favor of it, Selectman Hidden is in favor and Selectman Gray is in favor as long as it is secure. Majority of the Board agreed to allow the Assessor access to the one computer to input the sales data as long as it is secure and that he is still in the office his normal one day a month.

DYRENFORTH:

Mr. & Mrs. Dyrenforth were in to address the Board about the possibility of a curb cut for an entrance on Chocorua Road. They attended the meeting on Chocorua project and discussed the entrance they have always used to access their back property. They have sent their application for a driveway to the State and are still awaiting a response. They are looking for the support of the Town. They need to obtain the driveway permit before the Town can approve any curb cut there. They also mentioned they do not wish to have any crabapple trees planted on/near their property.

250th

CMTE:

The Board had invited anyone interested in serving on this committee to attend this meeting so that they could appoint a committee and get it started. Jennifer Mashiak, Pat Perkins both responded by email that they are interested but unable to attend this evening; Bruno Siniscalchi, John Wacker, and Kent Schneider were all present and are interested, Selectmen Hidden will also participate. A meeting was set for next week to get it kicked off on May 29th at 6 p.m. at the Town Office.

WHITE:

Marie White was in to address the Board about a parcel of land she has been renting and is considering purchasing on Depot Road but is concerned with a surrounding property she considers a junk yard and would like to know what the

Town is or can do about it. She believes Tamworth Camping Area may be considered a junk yard and she would like to know what her next steps are. They are not a licensed junkyard and the Board will have to take a look as they are the enforcing authority and the State RSA's are what governs the junk yards. The Board will review the property and have her back in at the next meeting on June 5th. They are going to try and set up an appointment with Mr. & Mrs. Bonica to view the property.

NON-PUBLIC: Motion made by Selectman Hidden to enter into non-public session at 5:25 p.m. under RSA 91A:3II (c). Motion seconded by Selectman Gray and passed unanimously.

Motion made by Selectman Hidden to exit non-public at 6:16 p.m. Motion seconded by Selectman Gray and passed unanimously.

**SELECTMEN
UPDATES:**

Selectman Gray stated he had been to the library meeting. They discussed the hiring of a director for 35 hrs a week and the sale of flowers coming up.

Selectman Hidden stated he had an Economic Development Committee Meeting where their primary discussion was the Regional effort to promote local sustainable agribusiness.

Selectman Roberts attended the Planning Board work session where they approved the trimming for PSNH for all Scenic Roads, discussed bill from Atty. Sager. He attended the Chocorua Village Safety Project meeting on Monday, and believes there is going to be a change order for the pole bases and maybe the mailboxes as they may need to be relocated. They also discussed the paving of Rte 16 by the State, which hasn't been put out to bid yet, and what that will do to the fog lines that LA Drew is to put down. The drainage was discussed and who is responsible for the maintenance. The next meeting was scheduled for Tuesday May 27th at 8 a.m. He attended the Cemetery Trustee meeting where they are working on regulations to do with plantings, and what is left on cemetery plots. They also had a discussion regarding the insurance issue which the Selectmen may need to get involved in.

TAX DEEDS: The Board signed a letter to the Tamworth Tax Collector informing her they will not be taking the deeds for tax map 215 lots 106 & 107 under RSA 80:76 IIa, due to a pending bankruptcy case. The Board did agree to accept the deed for Tax Map 407-034-000.

WAGE &

CLASS STUDY: Briefly discussed how and when we are going to produce the wage and class study. Need to start this process soon, and would like to have someone outside the Town work on it.

NON-PUBLIC: Motion made by Selectman Hidden to enter into non-public session at 6:42 p.m. under RSA 91A:3II (c). Motion seconded by Selectman Roberts and passed unanimously.

Motion made by Selectman Hidden to exit non-public at 6:58 p.m. Motion seconded by Selectman Roberts and passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion made by Selectman Hidden to adjourn at 6:59 p.m. Motion seconded by Selectman Gray and passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,
Cassandra M Pearce

Approved by Board of Selectmen

James S. Hidden

Stephen G. Gray

John E. Roberts