# Town of Tamworth Board of Selectmen's Meeting June 11, 2014 Town House

# 5 PM MEETING

**BOARD MEMBERS** 

**PRESENT:** Jim Hidden, Steve Gray & John Roberts

**OTHERS** 

**PRESENT:** Town Administrator Cassandra Pearce, John Gotjen, John & Kathy Dyrenforth,

John Wheeler, and Pat Farley.

## **DYRENFORTH:**

Mr. & Mrs. Dyrenforth were in because the discussion from the 6/5 meeting was tabled because there was not a majority vote. Mr. Dyrenforth recaptured the situation for the Board, but mostly for Selectman Hidden who was absent from last week's meeting. He explained that if the Board voted in favor of the change order the curb cut could be put in place now, if not they will have to pay LA Drew to come back in and tear up the curbing and they would have to purchase back the right to access their property. Selectman Roberts mentioned that he requested a copy of the 1937 plan of the realignment of Route 16 and the curb cut was not on that plan either. Mrs. Dyrenforth stated the point is they have a permit now, and to have to pay to get a curb cut later would put an unnecessary hardship on them. Selectman Gray stated he was under the impression that after the homeowners obtained a permit from the State that the Town would approve a change order for a curb cut, and that making them go back and install one later is not feasible to them or the Town and providing it now would cause the least damage to all. Selectman Roberts stated if they had a permitted driveway entrance there from the start it would have been on the plan, and he is still not in favor of the change order. Selectman Hidden stated that he voted no on the original change order because he felt it was not the Town's position to give them access to their property that was the States and that was not in place. However, he has thought about it a lot in the past few days and agrees that if a driveway permit was in place prior to this it would have been on the plans to begin with. His concerns are approving this will cause additional change orders as there is a number of abutters that now seem to be unhappy about the placement of the curbing along the project. Mrs. Dyrenforth stated there was no public hearing before the plans were submitted to the state for the people to review and comment on them. John Gotjen brought up the other five driveways that were allowed in the project and didn't understand why this one was missed. It was pointed out that the other ones are actual driveways to homes. Selectman Gray stated the GIII issue is more of a safety issue and would not compare to this change. John Wheeler stated the project was for the benefit of the community and an oversight of the engineers should not be a cost put on the homeowners. Mr. Dyrenforth stated there was 163' of frontage on this road that

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they used for agricultural purposes to access their orchards, and there are sufficient funds in the grant to cover this change. Selectman Roberts moved the question.

Question was moved to approve the change order for a driveway curb cut in the amount of 1,293.00 for the Dyrenforth property. Selectmen Gray – yes, Selectman Hidden – no, Selectman Roberts – no. Motion failed.

Pat Farley asked if there was any consideration of a compromise on the cost for the homeowners and the grant funds. The Dyrenforth's then asked whether or not they could pay the \$1,293.00 and still have the curb installed while the project is being done to avoid having to rip up the granite later to have an entrance installed. Whether or not it was allowed by the State to accept private funds to be expended on the project was questioned and the Town Administrator is to look into it. Motion made by Selectman Hidden to accept the check from the Dyrenforth's in the amount of \$1,293.00 to cover the change order for the curb cut with the condition it is allowed by the State and/or the Grant guidelines. Motion seconded by Selectman Gray and passed by a vote of 2-1. Selectman Roberts opposed.

## **CVSP:**

Change Order #3: The Board reviewed change order #3 submitted by HEB Engineers in the amount of \$4,171.30. This change order is for a culvert to inlet structure #1 and associated structure coring, rock structure excavation for boulders and concrete wall, and electrical conduit for water service. Motion made by Selectman Gray to approve Change Order #3 in the amount of \$4,171.30. Motion seconded by Selectman Hidden and passed unanimously.

Change Order #4: The Board reviewed change order #4 submitted by HEB Engineers in the amount of \$17,784.00. This change order is for revised light pole base design. The Board discussed the fact that previously this item was mentioned and was going to be a "wash" and now it is a \$17,000 change order. The Board would like to meet with HEB to discuss further and have some questions answered. It was decided that this meeting will be recessed at the end until Monday morning at 8 a.m. to reconvene at the Chocorua Village Project at 8 a.m. to meet with HEB to discuss this change order.

## CONSERVATION

## **EASEMENT:**

The Board was informed that the Reich Easement is not ready for signature this evening but was sent to the Attorney today for review. It should be available for the meeting on the 19<sup>th</sup> for signature and a copy will be in the Board's read box for review.

## **SMART:**

The Board was informed that Peter Smart is on the agenda for the 19<sup>th</sup> regarding the property he recently purchased known as the "Dam Ice Cream Shop". He has submitted a package of information for the Board's review prior to the meeting and a copy of this package was distributed to each Board member.

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## WAGE &

**CLASS STUDY:** The Board was given copies of proposals submitted to another Town for a pay and classification study. They were also given a copy of a survey received to be completed in assisting this Town with their study.

## **ADMINISTRATION:**

The Board approved and signed the following:

- An intent to cut for Map 406 Lot 18
- A notice to the State that Tamworth will NOT be using the PA-28 forms in 2014.

Motion made by Selectman Roberts to approve & sign the accounts payable manifest in the amount of \$67,168.00. Motion was seconded by Selectman Hidden and passed unanimously.

Motion made by Selectman Roberts to approve & sign the accounts payable check register in the amount of \$67,168.00. Motion was seconded by Selectman Hidden and passed unanimously.

The Board was given a copy of the agenda for June 19th as it is already quite full. The Board decided there were enough appointments on for the 19<sup>th</sup> but if it continues to be this busy other meeting times may need to be discussed.

## **RECESSED:**

Motion made by Selectman Hidden at 6:02 p.m. to recess the meeting until 8 a.m. Monday morning, June 16<sup>th</sup> at Chocorua Village. Motion seconded by Selectman Gray and passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,
Cassandra M Pearce
Approved by Board of Selectme
James S. Hidden
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Stephen G. Gray
John E. Roberts

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