

**Town of Tamworth  
Board of Selectmen's Meeting  
August 14, 2014  
Town House**

**BOARD MEMBERS**

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

**OTHERS**

**PRESENT:** Town Administrator Cassandra Pearce, Executive Assistant Darlene McWhirter, Police Chief Dan Poirier, Road Agent Richard Roberts, Parks & Rec Director Parker Roberts, Tax Collector/Clerk Kim Trammell, Sharon Nothnagle, Bruno Siniscalchi, Pat Farley, Ruth Timchak, Rosalind Gray, Frances Rich, William Rich, Ann McGarity, Bob Streeter, Susan Ticehurst, David Little, Jack Waldron and Sam Martin.

Chairman Hidden called the meeting to order at 4:00pm.

**DEPARTMENT  
HEADS:**

Police Chief Dan Poirier distributed the departments activity report for July. The new animal control officer is working out nicely.

Road Agent Richard Roberts informed the board that the highway department has been repairing a number of washouts from the past storms. They have installed culverts and continue mowing. The highway crew created a sand storage area in the front of the town garage for easier public access.

Parks and Recreation Director Parker Roberts reported that the summer programs have ended and that they were very well attended. He also mentioned that he attended a few library programs with the kids.

Bruno Siniscalchi did not have anything new to report on the 250<sup>th</sup> Committee, he did ask Town Administration Pearce if she had any information on insurance coverage for the event. The insurance company will be able to give a quote when they know specifically which events they will be holding.

Tax Collector/Clerk Kim Trammell requested permission from the Board to allow the Supervisors of Checklist be permitted to meet at the Town Offices on September 2<sup>nd</sup> and not at the Town House. The board agreed to allow it for September until a more permanent solution is agreed upon.

**NON PUBLIC  
SESSION:**

At 4:10pm, Chairman Hidden made a motion to enter into non-public session per RSA 91 A: 3 II (c). Motion Seconded by Selectmen Gray and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Chairman Hidden to exit non-public session at 4:26pm. Motion seconded by Selectman Gray and passes unanimously.

**SELECTMEN  
UPDATES:**

Selectman Roberts stated he attended the Ambulance Meeting in Ossipee. Selectmen Roberts suggested no parking signs be placed on the left side of the driveway heading into the parking lot behind the town offices, which was agreed upon by the board.

Selectman Gray reported he attended the Ambulance Meeting. He attended the Chocorua Project meeting and it appears the light fixtures are done. He also attended the Cook Library Meeting in which the discussion continued regarding roof issues.

Chairman Hidden reported he attended the Ambulance Meeting and the Economic Development Committee meeting. The Economic Development Committee Meeting will be hosting an agricultural/business event at Runnells Hall in early November. He also attended the Conservation Commission meeting, he shared that with the help of LRCT there will be an easement on Harry Thompson's property.

**PUBLIC  
COMMENT:**

Tax Collector/Clerk Kim Trammell asked what could be done with people parking in the 1 hour parking spots for longer than 1 hour. The board suggested she contact the police.

**ADMINISTRATION:**

The Board approved and signed the following items:

- MS-1 Extension
- Veterans credits to be approved for the following properties:

➤ 212-011-000	➤ 216-212-000
➤ 218-101-000	➤ 407-013-000
➤ 411-013-000	➤ 414-100-000
➤ 415-079-000	➤ 420-022-000

- Elderly Exemptions for the following properties:

➤ 208-032-000	➤ 211-014-040
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- An Elderly Exemption denied for 415-090-009
- Handicapped Exemption for 202-003-000 and 410-144-000 (granted)

Motion made by Selectman Hidden to approve & sign the accounts payable manifest in the amount of \$248,852.42 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 \$248,852.42. Motion was seconded by Selectman Gray and passed unanimously.

Motion made by Selectman Hidden to approve & sign a payroll manifest in the amount of \$18,512.93 with authorization for a transfer in the amount of \$ 11,759.57 for direct deposit (included in this amount), and an additional transfer of \$ 6,093.04 to be transferred for the Federal tax deposit (not included in the amount above). Motion was seconded by Selectman Gray and passed unanimously.

Motion made by Selectman Hidden to approve and sign the minutes of July 31, 2014. Motion was seconded by Selectman Gray and passed unanimously.

Motion made by Selectman Hidden to approve and sign the non-public minutes of July 31, 2014. Motion seconded by Selectman Gray and passed unanimously.

Town Administrator Pearce stated that the letters containing the new assessments were mailed to property owners, if there was not a change in the property value a letter was not generated.

Potential members for a Wage and Class Study Committee will be attending the August 28<sup>th</sup> Selectmen's meeting to discuss their mission.

A Public Hearing for a Barn Easement application is scheduled for August 28<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 pm.

The Board briefly discussed the need to meet concerning the Ambulance Contract Appendix, which needs to be ready for the next meeting. Selectman Gray requested a meeting with the Fire Chief and Rescue Squad Captain regarding response times. A meeting was scheduled for August 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:00pm. Selectmen Roberts stated he would like to specify that the contract should be with an established ambulance company that has been in business for at least 7 years.

Motion made by Chairman Hidden for a 5 minutes recess at 5:15pm. Motion seconded by Selectman Gary and passed unanimously.

At 5:20pm Chairman Hidden called the meeting back in session.

**TOWN  
HOUSE:**

The board was asked their thoughts regarding usage of the Town House for meeting space. It has been approximately 2 months since the trial period began. Chairman Hidden enjoys using the building to hold meetings, although the acoustics and lighting are not very good. As of now, the board feels that this solution to use the Town House for meetings to free up the meeting room at the town offices is a good solution. The feeling is with a little cooperation the public and boards should be able to use the Town House cooperatively. Committee members expressed concern on how to secure items and the need for files that will not be available at the Town House. There is still some concern from residents that there is really not a space need at the town office. Selectman Roberts feels that the town office space needs are real and that sentiment was echoed by Bill Rich. The next step will be using room dividers, the meeting room at the town office will be split into temporary office space. Tax Collector/Clerk expressed disapproval in creating office space across from her office, feeling that it would be too noisy and congested.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion made by Selectman Hidden to adjourn at 6:08 p.m. Motion seconded by Selectman Gray and passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Darlene McWhirter  
Executive Assistant

Approved by Board of Selectmen

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James S. Hidden

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Stephen G. Gray

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John E. Roberts