Town of Tamworth Board of Selectmen's Meeting August 28, 2014 Town House

BOARD MEMBERS

PRESENT: Jim Hidden, Steve Gray & John Roberts

OTHERS PRESENT:

Town Administrator Cassandra Pearce, Executive Assistant Darlene McWhirter, Road Agent Richard Roberts, Parks & Rec Director Parker Roberts, Tax Collector/Clerk Kim Trammell, Energy Committee Chair Ed Maduskie, Bruno Siniscalchi, David & Pat Farley, David & Tracey Little, Bob Seston, John Wheeler, Charlotte Cooper, Kate Thompson, Nate Hughes and Ron Remick, Sr. with Tamworth Historic Society, John Wacker, Veterans Transitional Housing presenters Stan & Dorothy Solomon and Bob Piedmont.

Chairman Hidden called the meeting to order at 4:05pm.

DEPARTMENT HEADS:

Road Agent Richard Roberts informed the board that the highway department installed culverts on Pease Hill and Brown Hill Roads. The Highway crew is working on Gardner Hill Road and continues to mow throughout town. Road Agent Roberts asked the Board for advance notice if they need to use one of his crew to cover at the Transfer Station. They Board agreed to give proper notice when possible.

Economic Development Chair Pat Farley reported that the Agri Business Forum is scheduled for November 1st. Surrounding BOS members, planning board members and community leaders have been invited to participate. Mrs. Farley stated that the LRPC will be holding a public hearing to adopt the draft Lakes Region Plan at a meeting on September 29th at the Beane Conference Center, Laconia.

Tax Collector/Clerk Kim Trammell informed the Board that the Primary is Tuesday, September 9th, the polls are open 8am-7pm and that voting will be held at the K. A. Brett School. The voter identification process on voting day will be handled the same as last year. Selectman Gray will be in attendance from 9am to 1pm, Selectmen Roberts will be in attendance from 1pm to 4pm and Chairman Hidden will be in attendance from 4pm to 8pm.

250th COMM:

Bruno Siniscalchi reported the Committee is meeting tonight at 6:00pm.

SELECTMEN UPDATES:

Selectman Roberts attended the Cemetery Trustees meeting and reported that a Public Hearing to accept proposed cemetery regulations is scheduled for September 17th at 7:00pm. The Cemetery Trustees will be meeting on November 1st 9am – noon regarding stones.

Selectman Gray reported the next LEOP meeting will be held September 11th at 7:00pm, the last of the changes will be made then. The entire emergency plan will be complete for the September 25th meeting. Selectmen Gray attended the Ambulance meeting, the Chocorua Village Project meeting and the Library meeting. He reported that the CIP meeting was continued to Tuesday, September 2nd. The members of Meals on Wheels voted unanimously to request use of the Town House.

Chairman Hidden attended the Ambulance meeting.

WAGE & CLASS MEMBERS:

David Farley, John Wheeler, Bob Seston and David Little agreed to participate in a Wage and Class Study. The BOS charged the committee with conducting a survey using 6 similar sized towns (population, property value) in the northern part of the state. A study has not been completed since 2005 and the Selectmen would like to see where the employees' wages and benefits compare with surrounding communities and would like to adjust accordingly. The Board would like to see some results by November 1st.

PROJECT UPDATE:

Bob Pierpont, Stan and Dorothy Soloman updated and asked for the boards support regarding "Starting Home Veterans Transitional Housing" project being proposed at the old Carroll County Nursing Home building.

PUBLIC HEARING:

At 5:10pm, Chairman Hidden made a motion to open the Public Hearing to renew 3 Discretionary Preservation Easement Applications. The motion was seconded by Selectmen Gray and passed unanimously.

At 5:14pm, Chairman Hidden made a motion to end the Public Hearing and return to the Selectmen's Meeting. The motion was seconded by Selectman Gray and passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Chairman Hidden to accept and grant the Barn Easement renewal applications for the following properties. The motion was seconded by Selectman Gray and passed unanimously.

Whipple Roberts 216-119-001 Herb & Charlotte Cooper 414-103-000 Don & Joanna Harte 417-067-000

TAMWORTH HISTORICAL SOCIETY:

Kate Thompson, president of the Historical Society presented a letter outlining the THS plan to raise and repair the front lawn at Hall-Dyer House. THS has received a \$10,000, 50-50 matching grant from Gibson-Woodbury Charitable Foundation and have raised their \$10,000 share. THS envisions connecting the Hall-Dyer lawn with the Town Remick Park/Playground. Ideally this space could be used for town-wide events. Along with the lawn plan, which should begin this month, the sign will be moved at that time. The Selectmen agreed it would be a great use of the space. The Remick Park deed will be reviewed to make sure there are no use restrictions. The Board of Selectmen will meet with the Historical Society at 3:45pm on September 11, 2014 at the Hall-Dyer House.

ENERGY COMMITTEE:

Energy Committee Chairman Ed Maduskie reported there is a lack of committed interested members and asked for suggestions/guidance to proceed getting his committee back on track. A notice will be placed on the Town website that we are looking for additional members for the committee. The next committee meeting will be held at the Town House on September 15th at 7:00pm.

ADMINISTRATION:

The Board approved and signed the following items:

- MS-1
- Notice of intent to cut on Parcels 209-028-000 and 209-031-000.
- Veteran's credits approved for the following properties:

> 203-014-000	> 208-032-000
> 201-055-000	>

- An Elderly Exemption approved for 403-024-000.
- Letter to the Liquor Commission re: licensing for Dube & Robinson LLC.
- Appointments to the Economic Development Commission for Ellie Griffin and Rebecca Hewson as members. Appointments for alternate members Robin Gordon and Susan Ticehurst to the Economic Development Commission.

Motion made by Chairman Hidden to approve & sign the accounts payable manifest in the amount of \$270,134.76 Motion was seconded by Selectman Gray and passed unanimously.

Motion made by Chairman Hidden to approve & sign the accounts payable check register in the amount of \$270,134.76. Motion was seconded by Selectman Gray and passed unanimously.

Motion made by Chairman Hidden to approve & sign the accounts payable manifest in the amount of \$50.00. Motion was seconded by Selectman Gray and passed unanimously.

Motion made by Chairman Hidden to approve & sign the accounts payable check register in the amount of \$50.00. Motion was seconded by Selectman Gray and passed unanimously.

Motion made by Chairman Hidden to approve & sign a payroll manifest in the amount of \$18,876.47 with authorization for a transfer in the amount of \$12,254.39 for direct deposit (included in this amount), and an additional transfer of \$6,437.30 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 Chairman Hidden to approve and sign the minutes of August 14, 2014. Motion was seconded by Selectman Gray and passed unanimously.

Motion made by Chairman Hidden to approve and sign 2 sets of non-public minutes of August 14, 2014. Motion seconded by Selectman Gray and passed unanimously.

Motion made by Chairman Hidden to approve and sign the minutes of August 15, 2014. Motion was seconded by Selectman Gray and passed unanimously.

Motion made by Chairman Hidden to approve and sign the minutes of August 18, 2014. Motion was seconded by Selectman Gray and passed unanimously.

Motion made by Chairman Hidden to approve and sign the minutes of August 21, 2014. Motion was seconded by Selectman Gray and passed unanimously.

Motion made by Chairman Hidden to approve and sign non-public minutes of August 21, 2014. Motion seconded by Selectman Gray and passed unanimously.

Town Administrator Pearce submitted the form MS-4 Projected Revenue.

Nelson O'Bryan Conservation Commission Chairman requested that the Conservation land on Whittier Road # 206-042 be moved at the same

time as the Landfill. The cost of this mowing will be incurred by the Conservation Commission. Mark Streeter will be contacted.

Town Administrator Pearce will inquire/follow up with Mt. Washington Valley Pay to Play organization.

TOWN HOUSE:

Planning Board has submitted a written request for items they feel will be necessary to meet at the Town House. They are concerned about the availability of Wi-Fi, air quality and acoustics, which are being addressed at this time. They will purchase a lockable cabinet and requested digital copies of maps and a list of property owner's, which will be provided. The Board of Selectmen may revisit the rules in place regarding employees bringing work home.

Town Administrator Pearce has received a number of requests to use the Town House from groups not affiliated with the Town. First preference should be given to Town groups and Tamworth residence and all requests will go through the Administration office.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion made by Chairman Hidden to adjourn at 6:55 p.m. Motion seconded by Selectman Gray and passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Darlene McWhirter
Executive Assistant

Approved by Board of Selectmen

James S. Hidden

Stephen G. Gray