## Town of Tamworth Board of Selectmen's Meeting October 09, 2014

## **Town House**

**BOARD MEMBERS** 

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

**OTHERS** 

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Agent Richard Roberts, Transfer Station Manager Glenn Johnson, Town Clerk/Tax Collector Kim Trammell, Bruno Siniscalchi, Pat & Dave

Farley, Ruth Timchak, Rosalind Gray, & David Little.

DEPARTMENT HEADS:

Police Chief Dan Poirier distributed stats for September for the Board and the public to review. The stats were briefly discussed and there was no further business with the Chief at this time.

Road Agent Richard Roberts informed the Board that Mountain Road is just about completed. Everyone appears to be happy with the current condition and a portion will remain unpaved until next year. The crusher has been moved into the Town Garage property and will be crushing more gravel for us. Selectman Roberts mentioned the Town should be looking into purchasing another lot for additional material as it has proven to be a cost savings to the Town. He also informed Road Agent Roberts that Effingham, Freedom, and Wakefield were all building or recently built sand sheds if he wanted to look at them for ideas.

Transfer Station Manager Glenn Johnson informed the Board that A & M Builders have started closing in the addition. They discussed the shingles on the current building that are in bad shape and they will be replaced while the work is being done there now. Glenn briefly discussed the Stickers for the Transfer Station (and the beaches) as they expire this year. The Board will review the policy at the next meeting.

Bruno Siniscalchi stated the 250<sup>th</sup> committee at their meeting two weeks ago Chris Clyne did her presentation for the Committee. The Logo contest has been extended and was recently in the newspaper. They are discussing a budget request and are looking for an ok to distribute brochures at the Elections. The Board informed him he would have to clear this with the Moderator.

Pat Farley gave a brief update on the Economic Development Commission who had a special meeting on Tuesday. She also attended a LRPC meeting where they discussed regional purchasing.

David Farley and David Little were present to inform the board of the current status of the Salary and Benefits Committee. They gave a brief update on the progress to date and stated they are still awaiting the 2014 results of the LGC Wage and Classification Study. Towns in which they have contacted to date have been very helpful.

Town Clerk/Tax Collector Kim Trammell gave the Board her concerns regarding current storage issues for her office and documents she is to keep. Currently some historical records are still in the Town House Vault and need to be brought to the Town Office Building. Documents in basement are on floor and should be put up on pallets.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

**THOMSON:** 

Maynard Thomson came in to introduce himself to the Board and the audience as a candidate for State Representative. He briefed them on his current position on certain political issues and stated his biggest concern at this time is the economy and the aging population.

## **ADMINISTRATION:**

The Board approved and signed the following items:

- An intent to cut for Tax map 414 lot 56
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- A timber tax levy in the amount of \$2,340.39
- A warrant for the November Election.

Motion was made by Selectman Hidden to appoint David Grasse as a full member of the EDC and change Rebecca Hewson to an alternate member of the EDC. Motion seconded by Selectman Gray and passed unanimously.

Motion made by Selectman Hidden to approve & sign the accounts payable manifest in the amount of \$394,223.78 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 \$394,223.78. Motion was seconded by Selectman Gray and passed unanimously.

Motion made by Selectman Hidden to approve & sign a payroll manifest in the amount of \$18,081.55 with authorization for a transfer in the amount of \$11,657.90 for direct deposit (included in this amount), and an additional transfer of \$5,819.63 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 September 25, 2014. Motion was seconded by Selectman Gray and passed unanimously.

Motion made by Selectman Hidden to approve and sign the Non-public minutes of September 25, 2014. Motion seconded by Selectman Gray and passed unanimously.

Discussion was held regarding the "Welcome to Tamworth" signs that the Administrator was getting prices on to "freshen up". Both vendors stated it would be less expensive for the Town to replace rather than repair these signs. Town crew will need to straighten posts or replace if totally damaged, and sign company will replace sign. Board then discussed the possibility of granite posts rather than current metal posting which is not holding up to the weather (plowing etc). Order the signs and inform them poles are being reviewed.

The Town is in receipt of the final "EOP" Emergency Operations Plan. A copy will be kept in the Selectmen's Office and Dana Littlefield will have the original as Emergency Management Director. This grant is now finalized and will be closed out. A big thank you to all who worked on this project!

Tam Wireless informed the office that the cost for internet at the Town House would be \$49.95 a month. The Board briefly discussed the price and then discussed the number of Town buildings currently obtaining internet service. The Board asked that quotes be obtained from Tam Wireless, Verizon, and Time Warner for internet for all the buildings combined.

A charge slip was received from the Transfer Station for the Fireman's Association for furniture. The Board was asked about billing. The Board stated it should be billed to them because it was probably from their auction and that should not be used as a place to dispose of unwanted, "unusable" items.

The Board discussed the letter and attachments received from Marie Whyte regarding the Bonica's property on Depot Road. The Board reviewed the material received from Ms. Whyte and at this time are still of the same opinion that Mr. Bonica does not currently fall under the junkyard category as these vehicles are all antiques. A copy of the list he provided to the Board will be sent to her with a response letter.

## NON PUBLIC SESSION:

At 5:50 pm, Chairman Hidden made a motion to enter into non-public session per RSA 91 A: 3 II (a & c). Motion Seconded by Selectmen Gray and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Chairman Hidden to exit non-public session at 7:09 pm. Motion seconded by Selectman Gray and passes unanimously.

The Board discussed personnel four issues. No decisions were made.

**ADJOURNMENT**:

Motion made by Selectman Hidden to adjourn at 7:10 p.m. Motion seconded by Selectman Gray and passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,
Cassandra M. Pearce
Town Administrator

Approved by Board of Selectmen

James S. Hidden

Stephen G. Gray

John E. Roberts