

**Town of Tamworth
Board of Selectmen's Meeting
October 31, 2013
Town Office**

BOARD MEMBERS

PRESENT: John Roberts, James Hidden, & Steve Gray

OTHERS

PRESENT: Town Administrator Cassandra Pearce, Police Chief Dan Poirier, Sgt. Penny Colby, Road Agent Richard Roberts, Transfer Station Manager Glenn Johnson, Ruth Timchak, Pat Farley, Doug Barron, Bruno Siniscalchi, and Sam Martin.

Chairman Roberts called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

DEPARTMENT

HEADS:

Road Agent Richard Roberts informed the Board they have been ditching, cleaning up leaves, cleaned out and repaired some culverts, prepared the sanders and have the subcontractors all lined up to plow for the season.

Chief Dan Poirier informed the Board everything is going well and gave kudos to the Animal Control Officer (Jo Ann Gayer) for an excellent job she did convincing owners of 45 dogs to voluntarily surrender the dogs getting them to realize they could no longer take care of them. The dogs were taking to the North Conway Humane Society and the Brittany Spaniel Society. The Tamworth Police Department has a Facebook page if residents are interested in keeping informed of the Departments on goings.

Transfer Station Manager Glenn Johnson presented the Board with a proposal from North Country Recycling. The Board is in agreement with trying this proposal striking the last sentence and requesting a 30 yd container vs. a 50 yd. Glenn will speak with them and see if these changes can be made.

Pat Farley spoke for the Economic Development Commission. They had a special meeting on Monday night and made great progress on the "Team Leadership" program. She also discussed issues going on with the LRPC. They are still looking for a replacement for Karen McNiff as a Member to the LRPC.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

SELECTMEN

UPDATES:

Selectman Hidden said he attended the EDC meeting that Pat has already updated the Board on. He had nothing further to report.

Selectman Gray stated he attended the meeting in Freedom where they discussed the Ambulance contract. CarePlus does not perceive a problem but Freedom is looking to have a 2nd ambulance in the Tamworth station. There are no complaints at this time but they are concerned with response times. There is a letter in the box offering to renegotiate the contract with 2 ambulances in town

at a new rate. The Board would like to continue as is at this time and see if it works.

Selectman Gray also attended the Planning Board meeting on behalf of Selectman Hidden who was unable to attend. They approved a two lot subdivision on Route 16 and further discussed the Tower on Durrell Road and the access. They also had a discussion on wind towers.

Selectman Roberts stated he attended the Cemetery meeting where they finished their budget and informed anyone interested that there would be a voluntary repair of cemetery stones from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. on 11/9/13 and the Chocorua Cemetery on Deer Hill Road.

ADMINISTRATION: The Board approved and signed the following items:

- An Intent to Cut for Map 215 Lot 27.2
- A certification form for DRA for the Equalization Assessment Data Sheets.

Motion made by Selectman Roberts to approve & sign a payroll manifest in the amount of \$17,460.79 with authorization for a transfer in the amount of \$11,410.13 for direct deposit (included in this amount), and an additional transfer of \$5,395.66 to be transferred for the Federal tax deposit (not included in the amount above). Motion was seconded by Selectman Hidden and passed unanimously.

Motion made by Selectman Roberts to approve & sign the accounts payable manifest in the amount of \$ 275,817.59. 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 \$ 275,817.59. Motion was seconded by Selectman Hidden and passed unanimously.

Motion made by Selectman Roberts to approve and sign the minutes of October 17, 2013. Motion was seconded by Selectman Hidden and passed unanimously.

Motion made by Selectman Roberts to approve and sign the non public minutes of October 17, 2013. Motion was seconded by Selectman Hidden and passed unanimously.

ADMINISTRATION: Discussed employee & department head evaluations. Selectman Roberts stated he wanted to discuss with the other Board Members the possibility of having employees perform evaluations on their department head. Pro's and Con's were discussed on the subject and it was decided that inquiries would be made to other municipalities, forms would be sought, and a memo drafted for the Boards review at the next meeting for additional discussion.

NON PUBLIC:

Motion made by Chairman Roberts to enter into non-public session at 5:20 p.m. under RSA 91-A: 3 II (a). Motion was seconded by Selectman Hidden and passed with a roll call vote of 3-0.

Motion made by Selectman Roberts to exit non-public at 5:44 p.m. Motion was seconded by Selectman Hidden and passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion made by Selectman Roberts to adjourn at 5:45 p.m. Motion seconded by Selectman Hidden and passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,
Cassandra M Pearce

Approved by Board of Selectmen

John E. Roberts

James S. Hidden

Stephen G. Gray