

**Town of Tamworth  
Board of Selectmen's Meeting  
January 12, 2012  
Town Office**

**PRESENT:** William Farnum, John Roberts, & Police Chief Dan Poirier

**NON PUBLIC:** Motion made by Selectmen Farnum to enter into non-public session at 3:00 p.m. under RSA 91-A: 3 II (b) Motion was seconded by Selectmen Roberts and passed with a vote of 2-0.

The Board & Chief Poirier conducted interviews for the Animal Control Officers Position.

Motion made by Selectmen Farnum to exit non-public at 4:04 p.m. Motion was seconded by Selectmen Roberts and passed unanimously.

Chief Poirier will offer the position to a candidate pending the background check, with a six month probationary period at \$14.00 an hour.

**PRESENT:** William Farnum, Robert Abraham, John Roberts

**Also Present:** Town Administrator Cassandra Pearce, Police Chief Dan Poirier, Bruno Siniscalchi, Diana Lewis, Dominic Bergen, Bob Davis, Frank Evans, and Kathy Kostro.

**REGULAR MTG  
CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order at 4:08 p.m. by Selectman Farnum.

**DEPARTMENT  
HEADS:**

**Police Chief Poirier:** Distributed his monthly stats for December and then distributed the stats for the year end for 2011.

Chairman Farnum had questions for the Parks & Recreation Director and the Road Agent who were not present this evening.

Chairman Farnum asked if it was known:

1. If the hot water heater at the Town House was in? Robert Abraham stated it was on order.
2. The status of the alarm system at the Town House? Robert Abraham stated they had met with the alarm company and are awaiting a response from them.
3. Stated his desire to have a 14' flag pole (& flag) at the Town House for events. Possibly on the left hand side going into the Town House. Other members agreed this was a good idea, and will look into it in the spring.
4. Wanted to let Road Agent Roberts know there is a sign missing on Durrell and Bryant Road, and that there is an ash tree dying near

Barbara Nordeen's house on Great Hill Road that needs to be looked at.

5. Would like to know from the Road Agent who is plowing Irene Way.
6. And would like to know if there is any news on the Site Plan from Paul King.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**SELECTMEN  
UPDATES:**

Selectman Abraham stated he had a meeting with the Superintendent of Schools and had concerns with the current conditions. It appears the assistant left upon returning from vacation and no one is filling in this position. Other items discussed was the new computer system, the possibility of a committee to see if there is interest in a school coop, increasing the legal budget, the working with MRI, a new principal in Freedom and new legal representation.

After some discussion of who should and shouldn't be involved in the overseeing of the SAU issues, the Board decided that they would send a letter to the joint School Boards with their concerns of history repeating itself as far as the lateness of tax rate settings due to the work performance of the SAU office in hopes to elevate this from being the case again this year.

**PUBLIC HEARING  
BUNKER HILL:**

The Public hearing was opened at 4:30 p.m. Selectman Farnum read the notice aloud and gave a brief history of the ordinance.

Diana Lewis spoke as the resident who initially brought in the petition to the Board to close the road to traffic over 6 tons. She has seen a great deal of truck traffic in excess of this 6 ton limit and the bridge is posted for 6 ton. Posting the road at both ends would help elevate some of this problem.

Bob Davis questioned the rating of the Bridge.

Frank Evans stated it was easier than going all the way around when work is being done in this area.

Kathy Kostro stated it is narrow and is dangerous as she has almost been hit by vehicles, and that it is difficult to fit 2 cars in some areas of this road not to mention trucks.

Discussed other posted roads such as Depot Road, Page Hill Road, and Gardner Hill Road.

Four emails were received and read aloud all in favor of posting the road closed to truck/traffic over 6 tons.

The Public Hearing was closed at 4:58 p.m. by Chairman Farnum.

Motion made by Selectman Farnum to adopt Bunker Hill Road from its intersection with Cleveland Hill Road to its intersection with Jackman Pond Road (Route 113) as part of the no through trucking ordinance with a cross reference to the Traffic and Road Regulations policy, which will take effect pending the posting of the signage by the Road Agent on posts. Motion was seconded by Selectman Roberts and passed unanimously.

## **SELECTMEN**

### **UPDATES (cont):**

Selectman Abraham distributed proposed changes to the Drug and Alcohol Policy that he is proposing be made to the current policy. The Board reviewed the changes, and after discussion decided to have other parties review it as well.

Selectman Roberts stated he attended the Conservation meeting Monday evening at which time a SUP was discussed for Bemis Farm. The Conservation Commission was ok with the SUP. He then attended the Planning Board meeting on Wednesday evening at which time they reviewed the SUP for Bemis Farm and accepted the application as complete. They scheduled a hearing on 2/10/12 so that the repairs to the bridge can be done as soon as possible and before any spring washouts. The Planning Board also held a public hearing on the Floodplain Ordinance.

Selectman Farnum reported that at the Library Trustees meeting that Linda Jones resigned effective 1/13/12 and the Library Trustees will be recommending Mike Lowrey as a new trustee until the March elections.

### **CLASS VI ROADS:**

Selectman Farnum distributed a revised copy of a proposed policy for the members to review with all the references to Private roads removed. This will be reviewed and discussed again on 1/26/12. There was some discussion on the policy such as the agriculture and forestry aspect.

### **ADMINISTRATION:**

The Board approved and signed the following items:

Intent to Cut for M 201 L 040 & 041

Intent to Cut for M 405 L 015 -000

A timber tax levy in the amount of \$6,535.33

A timber tax levy in the amount of \$8,352.70

An abatement for Tax Map 211-014-042 for \$260.00

An abatement for Tax Map 414-100-000 for \$500.00

An abatement for Tax Map 203-044-000 for \$1,080.00

An abatement for Tax Map 211-014-027 for \$98.00

An abatement for Tax Map 211-048-000 for \$130.00

An abatement for Tax Map 414-018-000 for \$18.00

A Selectmen's Deed for Tax Map 214 Lot 160, 203 Lot 43 and 211-014-036  
A Selectmen's Deed for Tax Map 216 Lot 280

A driveway permit for tax map 415 lot 005 on Turkey Street. Motion made by John Roberts to approve the Driveway permit for map 415 lot 005. Motion was seconded by Robert Abraham and passed unanimously.

A Service Agreement & Attachment with Milton CAT for the Generator at the School was signed.

Motion made by Selectman Roberts to approve & sign the Payroll Manifest in the amount of \$20,808.80 with authorization for a transfer in the amount of \$13,781.90 for direct deposit (included in this amount), and an additional transfer of \$6,555.12 to be transferred for the Federal tax deposit (not included in the amount above). Motion was seconded by Selectman Abraham and passed unanimously.

Motion made by Selectman Roberts to approve & sign the Accounts Payable Manifest in the amount of \$222,725.31. Motion was seconded by Selectmen Abraham and passed unanimously.

Motion made by Selectman Roberts to approve & sign the accounts payable check register in the amount of \$222,725.31. Motion was seconded by Selectmen Abraham and passed unanimously.

Motion made by Selectman Roberts to approve and sign the minutes of the Regular meeting of December 29, 2011. Motion was seconded by Selectmen Abraham and passed unanimously

Motion made by Selectman Roberts to approve and sign the minutes of the Non-Public session of December 29, 2011. Motion was seconded by Selectmen Abraham and passed unanimously.

Discussed a letter received from Mitchell Municipal regarding old client files. The board agreed to have them destroy the old files.

Brief discussion on Whittier Road East, and decided to wait for the class VI road committee to research further before a memorandum is done.

Discussed Truck Driver Safety Classes available through LGC. Will see if any other towns are interested in the training as there is a minimum attendance requirement of 5 people. This training will be mandatory once scheduled.

**Non-Public  
Session:**

Motion made by Selectmen Farnum to enter into non-public session at 6:23 p.m. under RSA 91-A: 3 II (c) Motion was seconded by Selectman Abraham and passed with a vote of 3-0.

The Board discussed two anonymous complaints.

Motion made by Selectman Abraham to exit non-public at 6:34 p.m. Motion was seconded by Selectman Roberts and passed unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion made by Selectman Abraham to adjourn at 6:35 p.m. Motion seconded by Selectman Roberts and passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Cassandra M Pearce

Approved by Board of Selectmen

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William W. Farnum

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Robert J Abraham

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John E. Roberts