## Town of Tamworth Board of Selectmen's Meeting May 13, 2010 Town Office

Members Present John Roberts, William Farnum, and Robert Abraham

Others Present Administrative Asst. Cassandra Pearce, Police Chief Daniel Poirier, Fire Chief

Richard Colcord, Transfer Station Supervisor, Glenn Johnson, Parks & Recreation Director, Parker Roberts, Tax Collector/Town Clerk, Kim Noyes, Mr. & Mrs. Farley, Diana Lewis, Sam Martin, Nancy Russell, Rosiland Gray, Representatives of Pike Industries, FR Carroll, and R & D Paving, Ruth Timchek, John Gotjen,

Anne Abear and other members of the public.

Chairman Roberts called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

Non-Public Session

#1 John Roberts moved and William Farnum supported to enter into a non-public

session at 2:00 p.m. per RSA 91 A: 3 II a & c. Vote was Roberts, Yes, Farnum

Yes, Abraham, Yes. Motion passed.

John Roberts moved and William Farnum supported to adjourn the non-pubic

session at 3:55 p.m. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Police Department Chief Poirier presented April police stats for the Board to view. Mr. Farnum

discussed speeders through the village and requested Chief Poirier watch this area. Chief Poirier advised he would put more coverage and place the portable

sign in this area.

Mr. Roberts informed Chief Poirier of a discussion planned later in the meeting regarding the use of Bunker Hill Road by large vehicles. Chief Poirier was

requested to check with the Selectmen's office the following day if he was unable

to stay for the discussion.

Transfer Station Mr. Johnson discussed information on the proposal from Big Green Recycling

regarding their proposal to remove appliances that contain refrigerants. The Board reviewed the information and the proposed contract of the organization. As the Board still had concerns, they requested the office staff to draft a more appropriate contract that would protect the Town from liability should an accident occur or the company be unable to fulfill their obligation throughout the 2 year

period.

2010 Paving Bids Mrs. Pearce opened the bids from the 3 contractors and announced the proposals

as follows for Depot Road and Whittier Road:

FR Carroll \$187,490 RD Paving \$193,640.60

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Pike Industries \$184,220.50

Mr. Roberts advised the Town had some work to do prior to the start of either of these roads. Mr. Roberts moved and Mr. Farnum supported to accept the bid of Pike Industries in the amount of \$184,220.50. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Non-Public Session #2

Mr. Roberts moved and Mr. Farnum supported to enter into a non-public session per RSA 91: A 3 II c at 4:27 p.m. Vote was Roberts, yes, Farnum, yes, Abraham, yes. Motion passed.

Mr. Roberts moved and Mr. Abraham supported to adjourn the non-public session at 5:00 p.m. Vote was unanimous.

**Public Comment** 

Mrs. Farley discussed the Economic Development Committee meeting and discussed the proposal presented to place signage for local businesses and municipal buildings at the park on the corner of Route 16 and 113 in Chocorua Village. The Board will view the area to determine if signs are allowed. Mr. Roberts expressed a concern of maintenance of signs in the future. A plan will be created from the Economic Development Committee along with the proposed sign drawings. This proposal will be presented at a future meeting.

Bunker Hill Road.

Ms. Diana Lewis advised she attended the meeting to bring to the Board's attention the traffic along Bunker Hill Road to include large dump trucks crossing a bridge that is currently posted with a 6-ton weight limit. Ms. Lewis requested the Board consider posting the road as a "no thru trucking" roadway. The Board discussed the road being maintained during the winter season. Ms. Lewis advised this has just taken place over the last few years. Ms. Lewis was requested to inquire of other residents on the roadway to determine if they also desired this roadway to be marked as a "no thru truck." The Board will discuss with Mr. Robinson upon his return the maintenance of the road in the winter and the posting recommendation. Ms. Lewis will return to the Board at a later date to express the desires of the residents along the roadway for posting.

## Administrative Items Part I

Mrs. Pearce presented the following items for the Board to sign:

- 1. A grant acceptance contract between the State of NH and the Town of Tamworth for the emergency generator replacement at the KA Brett School.
- 2. An inspection station request for 570 Plains Road.
- 3. An application for current use for map 414 lot 006.
- 4. An application for current use for map 414 lot 029
- 5. A timber tax levy in the amount of \$84.35.
- 6. An intent to cut for map 403 lot 005.
- 7. An intent to cut for map 208 lot 021.
- 8. A close out agreement for the CDBG Grant for the Tamworth Pines project.
- 9. The 1<sup>st</sup> issue tax warrant for 2010.

- 10. Mr. Roberts moved and Mr. Farnum supported to approve the minutes of April 29, 2010 as written. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.
- 11. Mr. Roberts moved and Mr. Farnum supported to approve the minutes of the April 29, 2010 non-public session as written. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Non-Public Session #3

Mr. Roberts moved and Mr. Abraham supported to enter into a non-public session per RSA 91-A:3 II c at 5:30 p.m. Vote was Roberts, Yes, Farnum, Yes, Abraham, Yes. Motion passed.

Mr. Roberts moved and Mr. Farnum supported to adjourn the non-public session at 6:15 p.m. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Mr. Roberts recessed the meeting at 6:15 p.m.

Mr. Roberts reopened the meeting at 6:25 p.m.

Tax Deeded Properties

The Board met with Tax Collector Kim Noyes who advised them on the status of the properties who are up for tax deeding due to non-payment of property taxes from the 2007 tax year. She presented the Board with deeds for each property and a waiver that should be signed if the Board chooses not to take one or more property per RSA 80:38-2 & 38-2a.

Mr. Abraham advised he wish he were given the opportunity to view the properties. Mrs. Pearce advised the listing of properties was placed in the Selectmen's read file for review. Ms. Noyes discussed her interpretation of RSA 80:38-2 & 38-2a and wanted to be sure the Board understood those items.

Mr. Roberts moved to accept three properties for tax deeding as presented. The Board agreed to accept one payment for the final property on May 14. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

The Board thanked Ms. Noyes for her work. Ms. Noyes discussed one property that was to go to deed and due to notification needs to the current owner, that property will not be presented for deeding until after all of the current owners are notified.

**BOS** updates

- 1. Mr. Abraham discussed his meeting with the Economic Development Committee advising that the broadband project is moving forward and is anticipated to take 12 18 months. He further discussed the CD being created by Mr. & Mrs. Posner detailing points of interest within the Tamworth community. The CD will be available at several local businesses for the cost of \$15/each.
- 2. Mr. Abraham discussed the Economic Council's Eggs & Issues conference and the speech given by Dr. Squire regarding the new health care bill.

- 3. Mr. Abraham discussed the municipal law meeting held last week. He discussed the recommendation at the meeting that sub sub committees post their gatherings as regular meetings. He informed the Land Use Regulation Committee of this recommendation and their response was to check with Town Counsel. He recommended Mr. Roberts to bring this to the attention of the Planning Board.
- 4. Mr. Abraham discussed the recommendation of the Selectmen signing checks at a meeting. The Board decided they would sign the manifest and the check registers beginning with the June 3, 2010 payment. The Board will no longer be signing the checks.
- 5. Mr. Abraham discussed the recommendation of the Board of Selectmen voting on every item prior to it being signed at the meeting. The Board decided that they did not feel that necessary at this time.
- 6. Mr. Abraham advised he has an appointment to meet with the Superintendent next week.
- 7. Mr. Farnum advised he attended a meeting of the library trustees and they discussed the audit for 2009 and the findings presented. They will be holding a long range-planning meeting in the near future. In addition they will hold a meeting to discuss the Carroll County Transit proposal on May 25, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. Further, on May 18, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. an energy consultant will be present for a discussion.
- 8. The Volunteer Energy Commission now meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month at the Town Office.
- 9. The Ordinance Review Committee will meet on the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the each month.
- 10. Mr. Roberts discussed the meeting with the KA Brett School Principal regarding the use of the school for future voting sessions. He advised that the authority has been given.

## Administrative Items Part II

- 1. The Board discussed the Town House and Town Office maintenance needs. The Board decided they would hold a walk through site visit with local interested contractors.
- 2. Mrs. Pearce advised she has not heard from North Country Auctions regarding the results of the highway department auctioned items.
- 3. Mrs. Pearce advised Mr. Colcord has requested the Board attend a meeting for Friday, 5/21 beginning at 4:00 p.m. at the Town Office. This meeting is to recognize the Selectmen, Firewards and the Town for their support to the National Guard Servicemen and women.

- 4. Mrs. Pearce discussed a request received for the closure of Chocorua Bridge for a wedding to be held on October 2. The Board advised they would not be willing to close the road/bridge for this ceremony. Mr. Farley expressed a concern with the railings on the Chocorua Bridge.
- 5. After a lengthy discussion regarding a property owner on Cleveland Hill Road that will not allow access to the property, and for a lack of the ability for the Selectmen and/or assessors to appropriately assess this property, *Mr. Roberts moved and Mr. Farnum supported to place a value on the property of \$4,000,000. Vote: (2-1-0). Motion passed.* Mr. Abraham advised he did not feel this assessment was accurate, and inquired what information was available for the assessment to be as accurate as possible. Mr. Farnum and Mr. Roberts advised that it is fair to assess this property at this value as the Board of Selectmen and assessors have not been allowed on the property. The Board advised they would sign a new warrant over the weekend that will reflect this assessment.
- 6. Mrs. Pearce gave an update on the Chocorua Village Project phases II & III. HE Bergeron engineering will be at the meeting of 5/27 for the briefing, priority update and timeline for future meetings.
- 7. The Board discussed the driveway permits for two adjacent properties on Turkey Street that had a deadline of June 15 for the pavement to be put in. The Board requested a reminder be sent out.
- 8. Mrs. Pearce presented a summary of the funds spent during the 2007 year regarding improvements related to ADA compliance issues at the Town Office. Shawn Bergeron originally proposed this summary.
- 9. Mrs. Pearce requested permission to attend a CDBG Grant Writing workshop on June 3 at the LGC. The Board authorized her attendance.
- 10. Mrs. Pearce discussed a property on Depot Road that has become a health hazard. Mrs. Pearce advised that the owner of the property is currently a bank. Mr. Roberts advised he contacted the owner twice. He further advised that a letter has been written and sent certified requesting that the property be cleaned up on or before the 10<sup>th</sup> of May. The Board discussed having the Town clean up the property and to place a lien on the property for the expense incurred by the Town. The Board decided they would contact Wayne Lloyd, Frank Evans and John Sier to determine if any of them would be interested in the job. The Board directed Mrs. Pearce to hire the first of these three who were available and willing to do the clean up at a reasonable price. The Board advised that the items to be disposed of on this property would not be taken to the Transfer Station for disposal.
- 11. Mrs. Pearce advised that Mr. Abraham had questions regarding the gravel pit assessments along with assessments for current use. She inquired if the Board wished to meet with the assessor to have all questions answered. Mr.

Abraham advised he received questions from Mr. Hank Letarte and Mr. Bob Davis regarding their property assessments. Mr. Farnum and Mr. Roberts recommended that Mr. Letarte and Mr. Davis address the assessor with their questions. Mrs. Pearce advised that Mr. Davis has already discussed his concern with the assessor. Mr. Abraham advised he was unaware of this discussion.

Non-Public Session #4

Mr. Roberts moved and Mr. Abraham supported to enter into a non-public session at 8:04 p.m. per RSA 91-A:3 II a & c. Vote was Roberts, Yes, Farnum, Yes, Abraham, Yes. Motion passed.

Mr. Farnum moved and Mr. Roberts supported to adjourn the non-public session at 8:32 p.m. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Adjournment

Mr. Farnum moved and Mr. Roberts supported to adjourn the meeting at 8:32 p.m. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted, Anne M. Abear

Approved by Tamworth Board of Selectmen: 5/27/2010

John Roberts William Farnum Robert Abraham